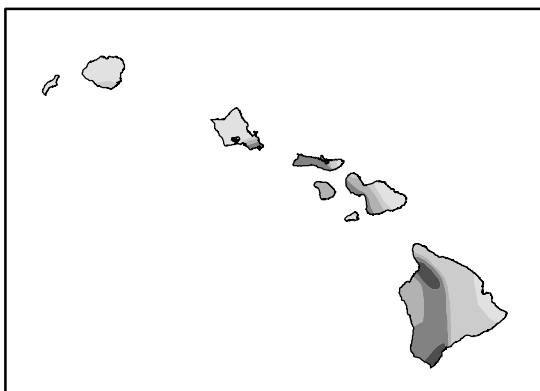
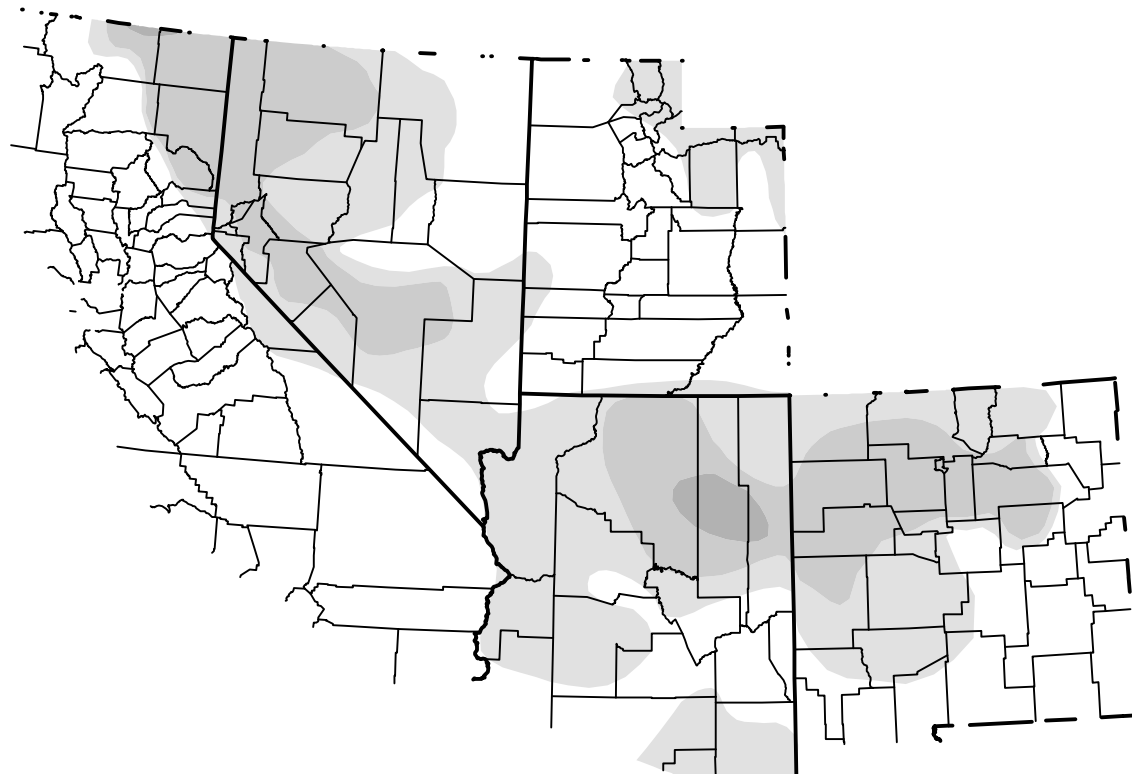


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.74	27.96	15.94	1.05	0.25	0.06
Last Week 07-15-2010	59.21	25.91	13.53	1.02	0.27	0.06
3 Months Ago 04-22-2010	52.27	33.95	9.26	4.27	0.22	0.03
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2009	22.37	24.80	33.69	18.12	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2009	30.31	31.53	24.04	14.04	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago 07-23-2009	39.53	29.49	16.10	14.84	0.03	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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