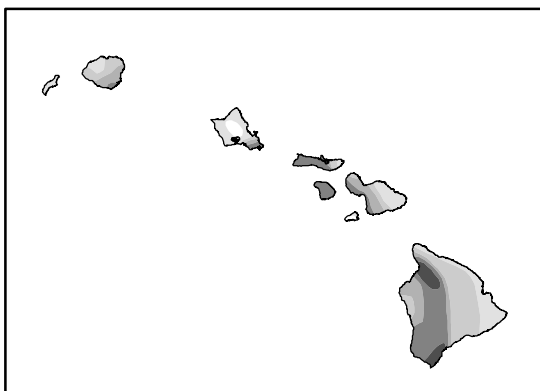
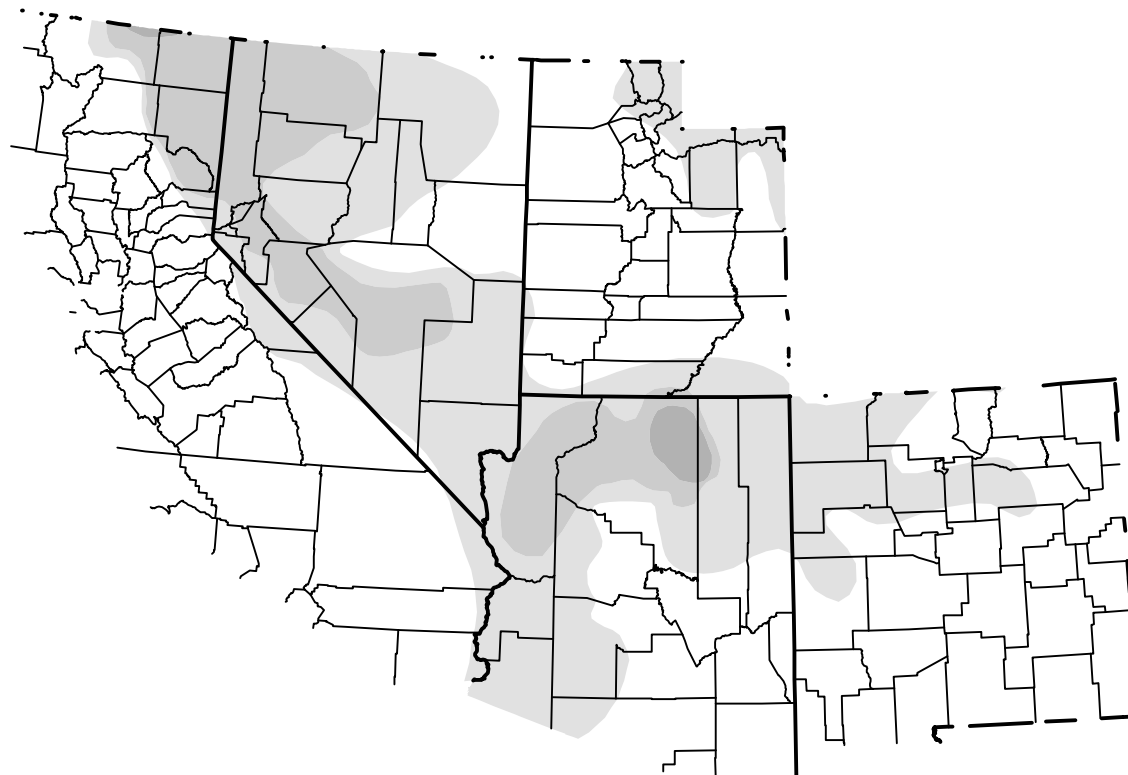


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	61.05	27.04	10.73	0.85	0.28	0.06
Last Week <i>09-16-2010</i>	61.05	27.09	10.71	0.82	0.27	0.06
3 Months Ago <i>06-24-2010</i>	59.85	25.40	13.70	0.72	0.30	0.03
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2009</i>	22.37	24.80	33.69	18.12	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2009</i>	30.31	31.53	24.04	14.04	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-24-2009</i>	30.45	31.99	23.45	14.08	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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