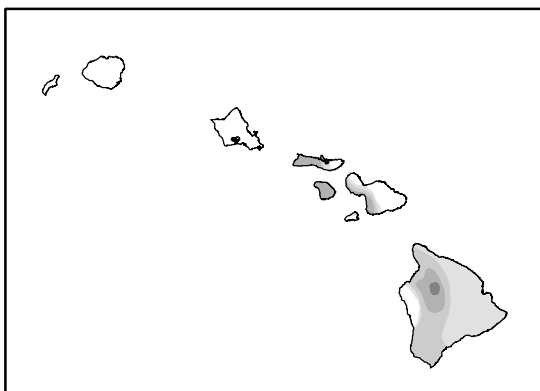
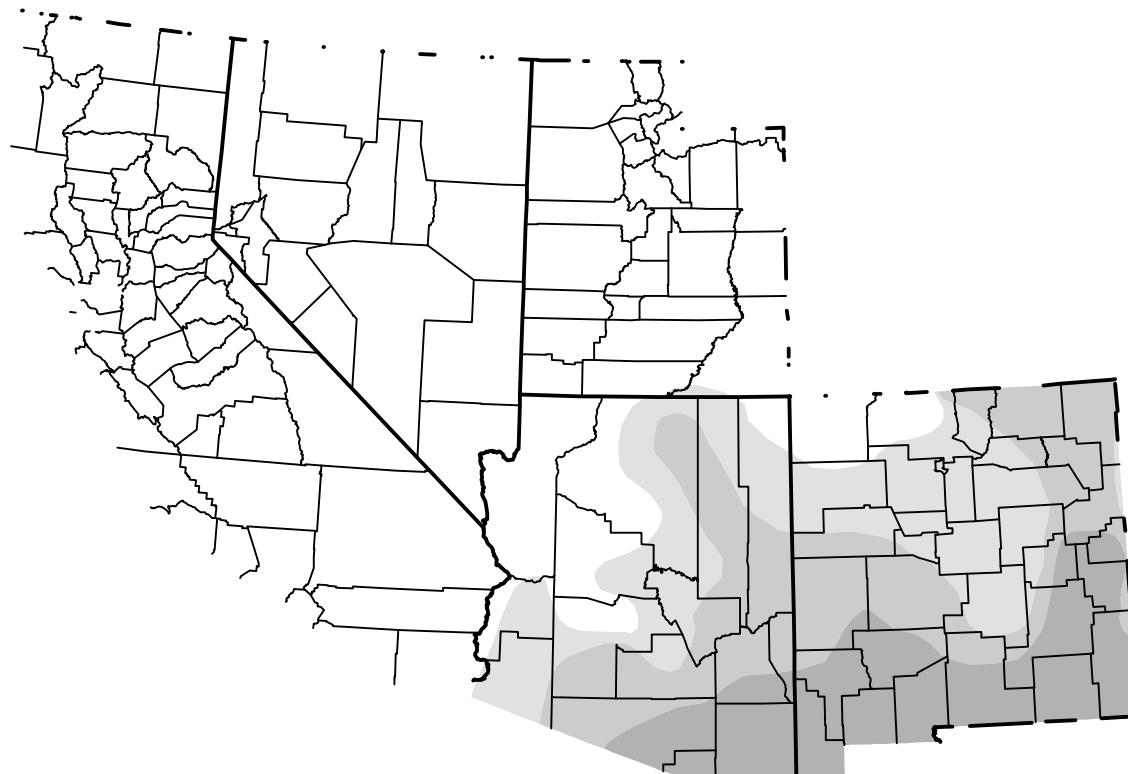


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**February 22, 2011**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 66.74 | 11.98 | 11.92 | 9.35 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>02-17-2011              | 60.74 | 20.25 | 11.79 | 7.21 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>11-25-2010           | 65.80 | 30.08 | 3.73  | 0.23 | 0.14 | 0.01 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-06-2011 | 65.37 | 19.78 | 14.67 | 0.15 | 0.03 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-30-2010    | 55.50 | 32.14 | 11.18 | 0.84 | 0.28 | 0.06 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>02-25-2010           | 34.57 | 40.28 | 18.21 | 6.80 | 0.14 | 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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