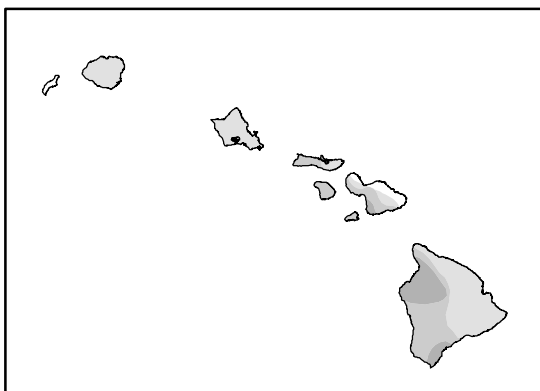
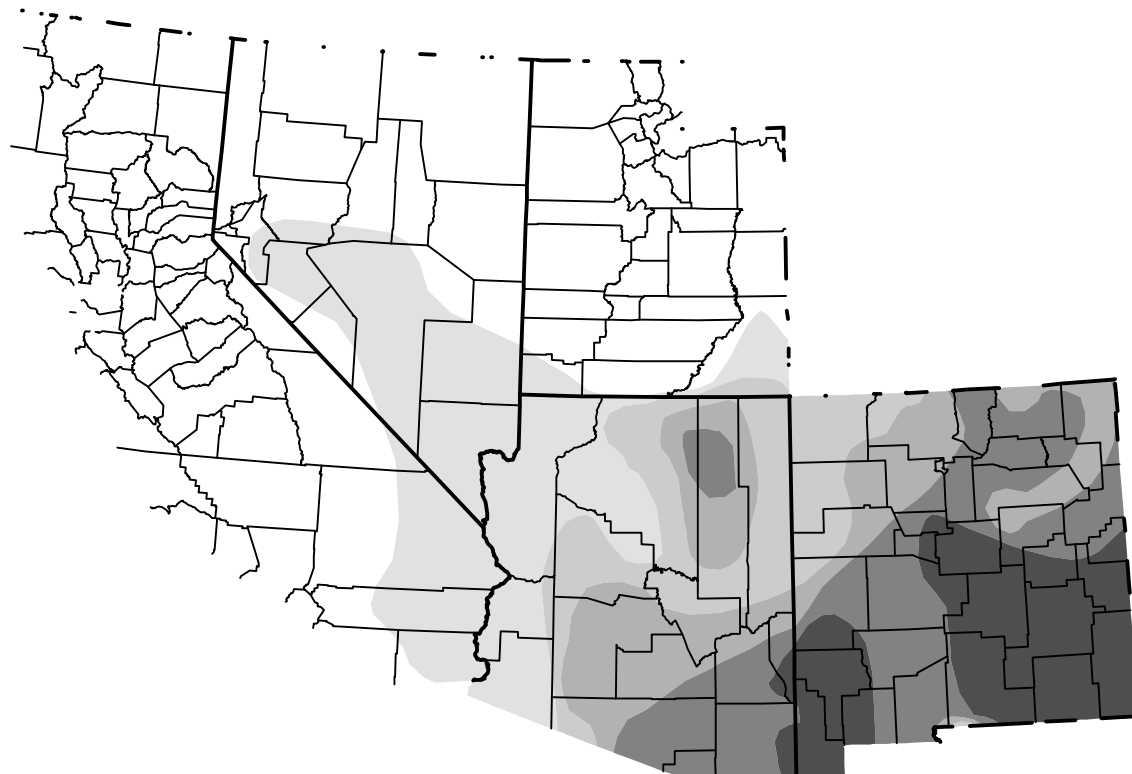


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	48.40	16.78	7.64	8.77	10.29	8.12
Last Week <i>09-08-2011</i>	48.45	16.94	8.69	7.51	10.25	8.15
3 Months Ago <i>06-16-2011</i>	63.78	5.89	6.99	5.98	7.11	10.24
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2011</i>	65.37	19.78	14.67	0.15	0.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2010</i>	55.50	32.14	11.18	0.84	0.28	0.06
One Year Ago <i>09-16-2010</i>	61.05	27.09	10.71	0.82	0.27	0.06

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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