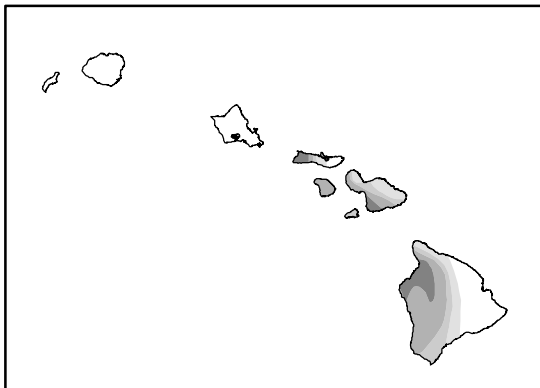
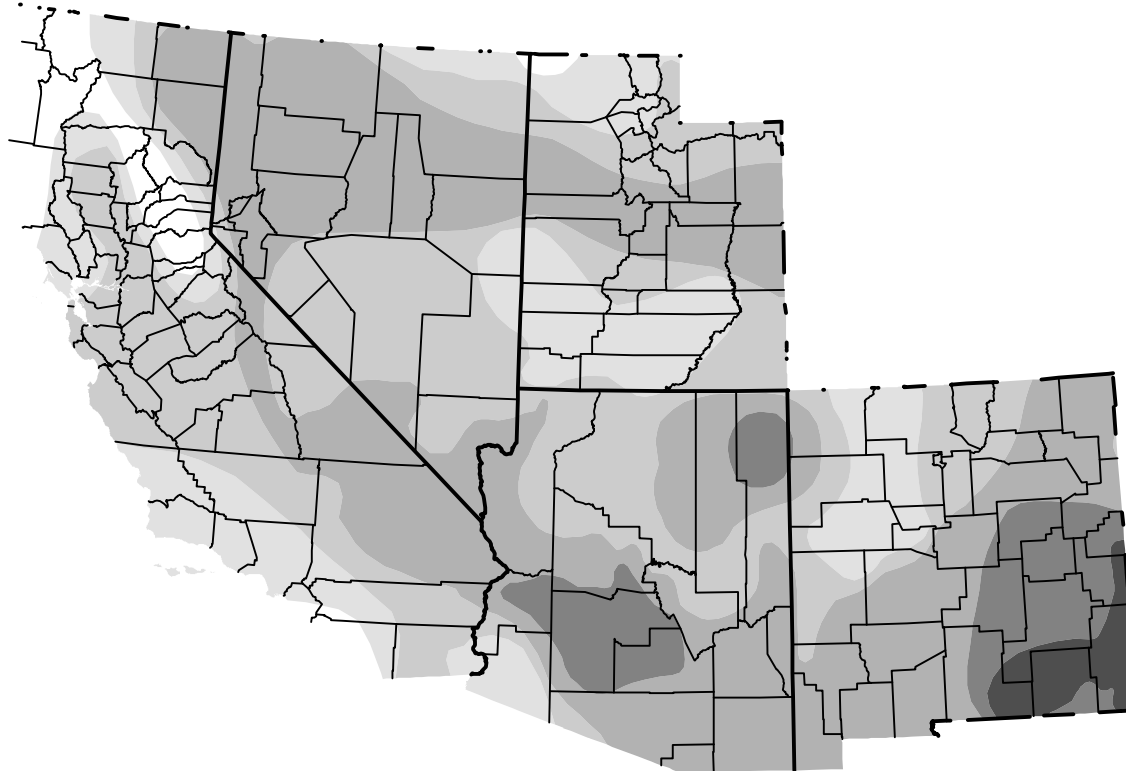


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.80	16.34	31.60	38.47	6.98	1.81
Last Week <i>04-19-2012</i>	4.79	17.37	34.09	36.14	5.80	1.81
3 Months Ago <i>01-26-2012</i>	10.21	31.99	37.46	15.00	3.79	1.54
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	29.38	22.20	26.39	16.71	3.78	1.55
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	53.67	12.76	7.04	9.37	9.67	7.49
One Year Ago <i>04-28-2011</i>	62.04	6.66	11.72	5.96	13.61	0.00

Intensity:



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

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