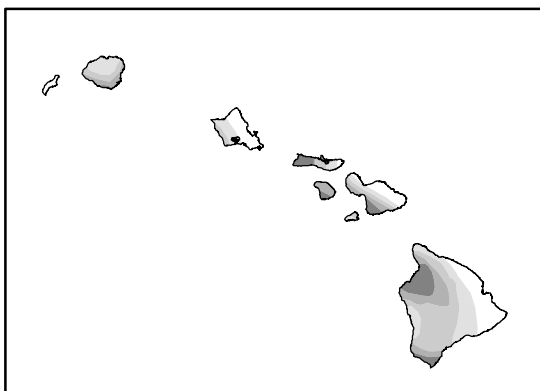
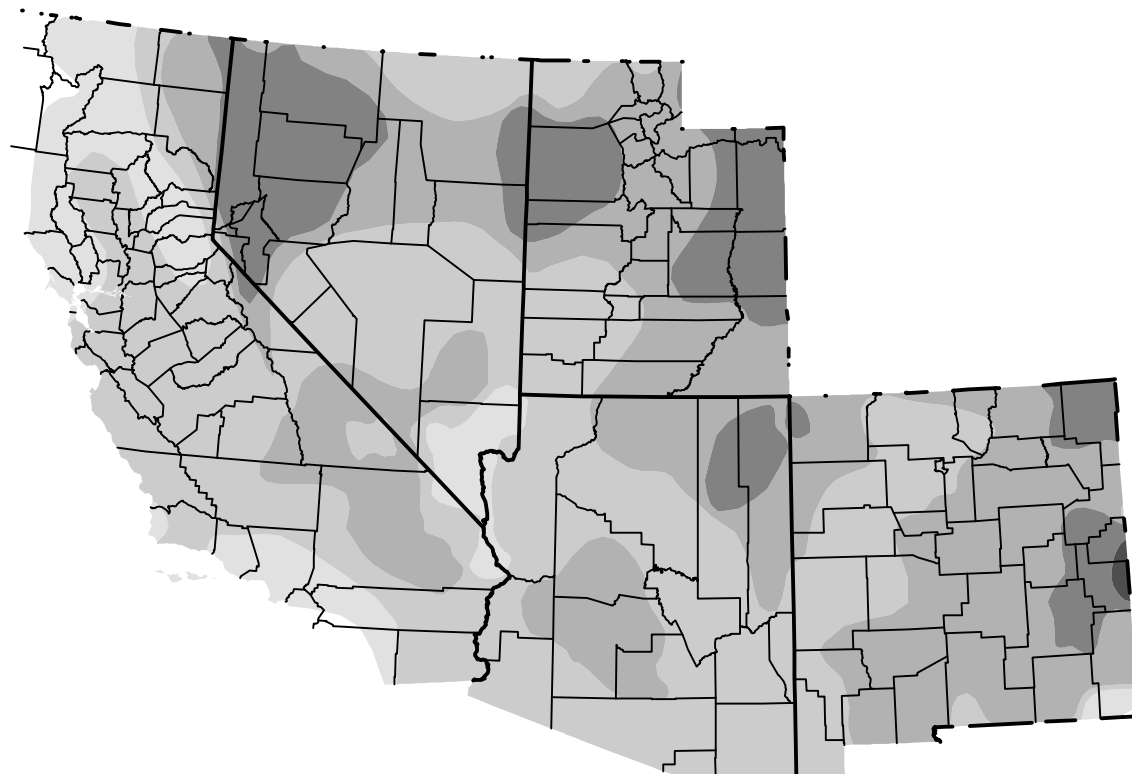


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	2.05	8.39	41.41	34.60	13.42	0.14
Last Week <i>10-25-2012</i>	2.06	8.38	43.02	32.99	13.42	0.14
3 Months Ago <i>08-02-2012</i>	3.32	7.04	24.20	47.56	17.88	0.00
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>09-27-2012</i>	3.42	5.30	43.92	35.16	12.06	0.13
One Year Ago <i>11-03-2011</i>	55.22	11.69	6.07	8.40	13.00	5.62

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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