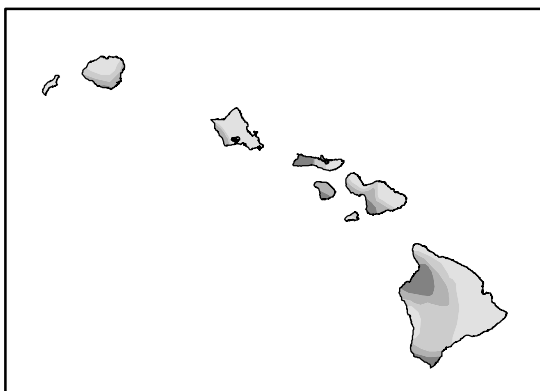
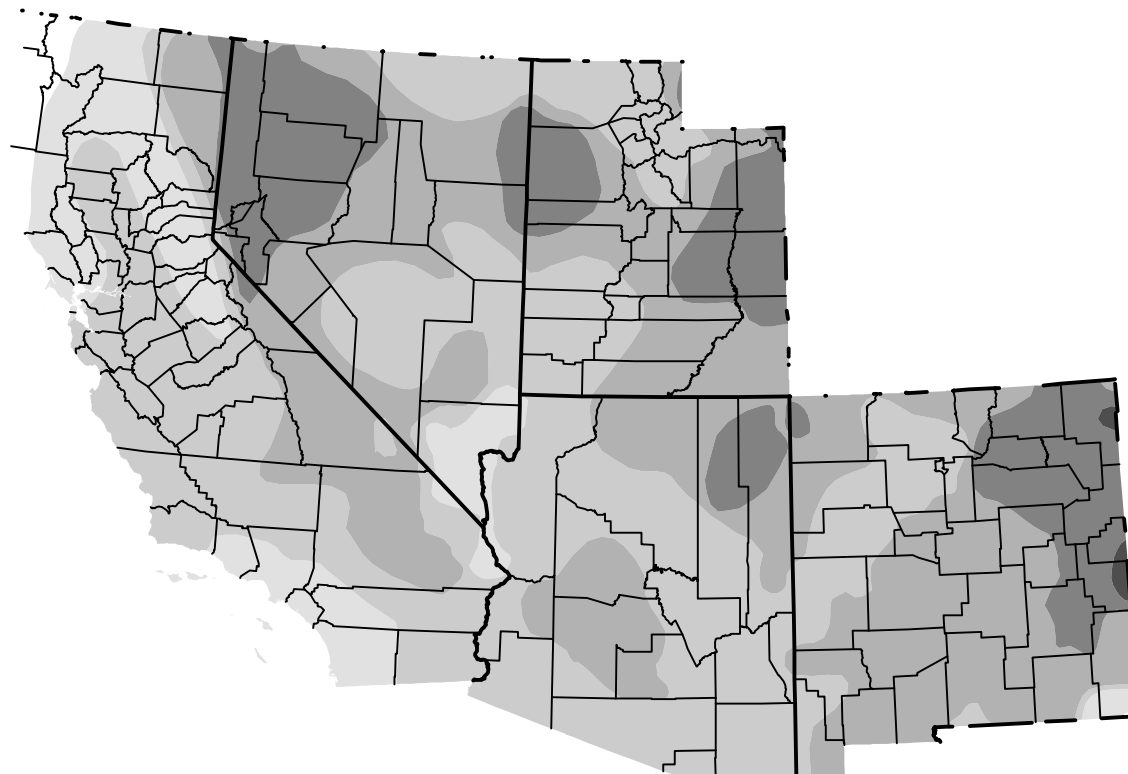


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	1.30	98.70	89.37	50.19	15.13	0.20
Last Week <i>11-15-2012</i>	1.92	98.08	89.02	46.97	13.76	0.14
3 Months Ago <i>08-23-2012</i>	3.23	96.77	91.34	62.81	13.52	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	29.38	70.62	48.42	22.03	5.32	1.55
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	3.42	96.58	91.28	47.35	12.19	0.13
One Year Ago <i>11-23-2011</i>	56.69	43.31	32.98	27.05	18.65	5.57

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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