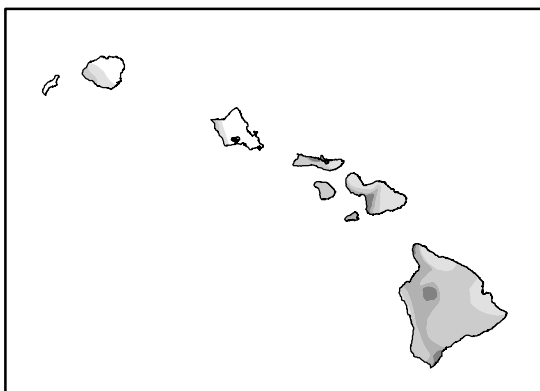
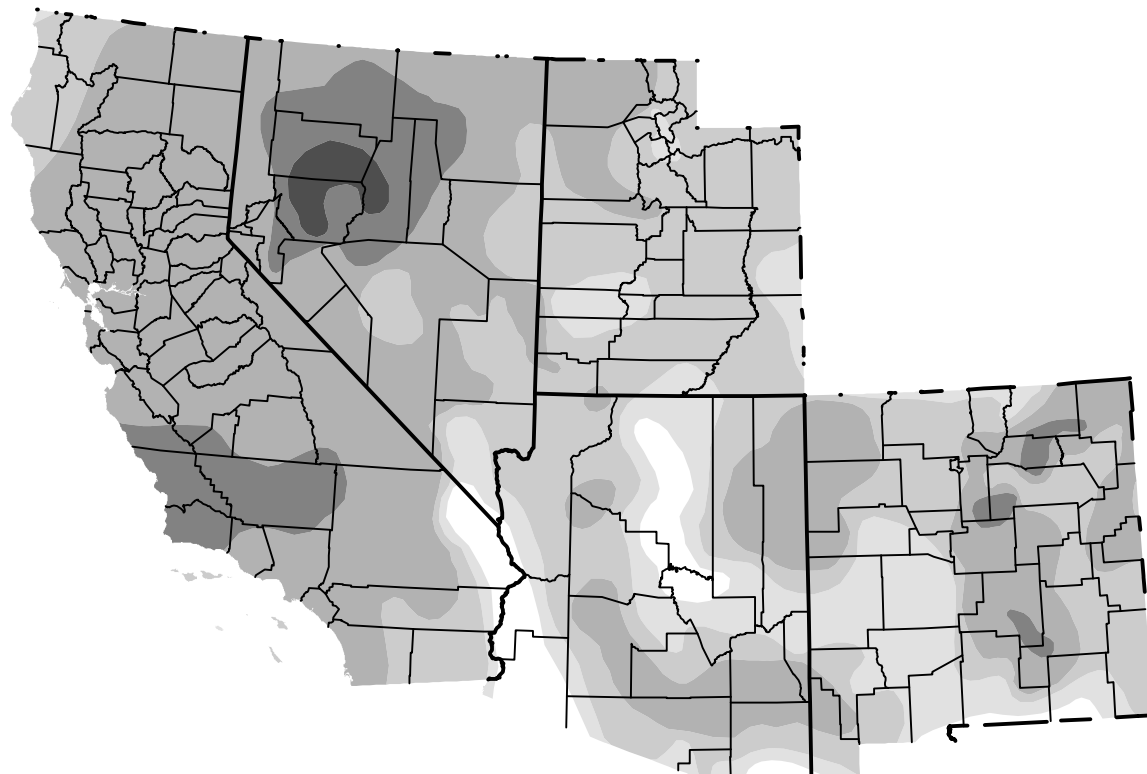


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.12	12.41	31.36	43.06	8.05	1.00
Last Week <i>10-17-2013</i>	4.15	12.29	31.45	43.06	8.05	1.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-25-2013</i>	0.14	3.76	16.56	52.46	18.33	8.75
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2013</i>	8.61	5.37	32.31	39.34	14.18	0.20
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2013</i>	4.05	12.33	31.50	43.08	8.05	1.00
One Year Ago <i>10-25-2012</i>	2.06	8.38	43.02	32.99	13.42	0.14

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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