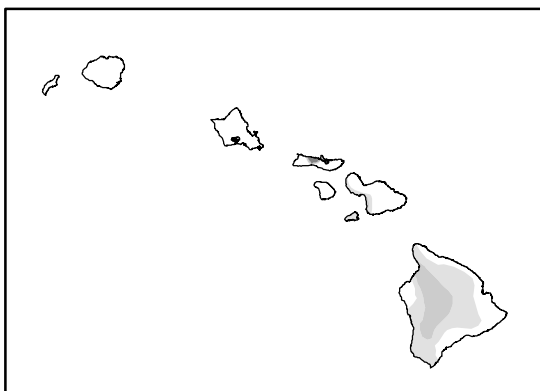
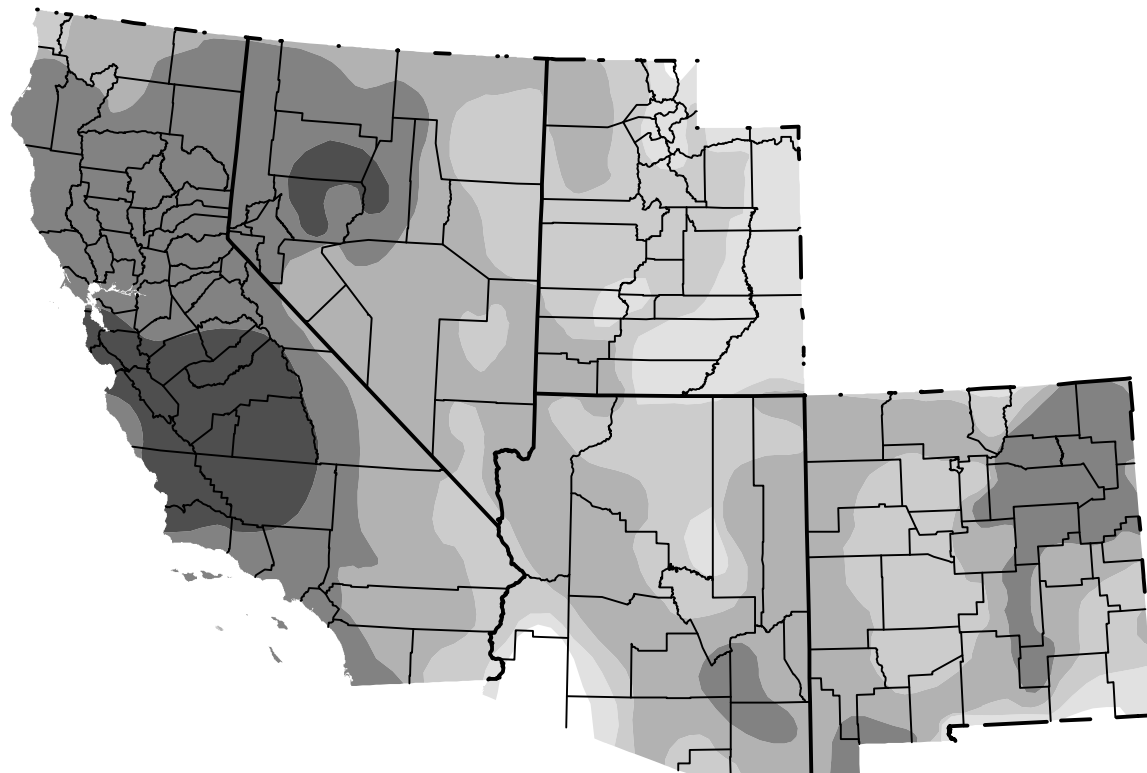


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	1.92	98.08	90.05	66.50	31.05	6.94
Last Week <i>03-13-2014</i>	1.75	98.25	85.91	63.01	29.46	6.94
3 Months Ago <i>12-19-2013</i>	4.96	95.04	77.81	49.10	13.47	1.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2014</i>	5.09	94.91	77.46	49.37	13.47	1.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2013</i>	4.05	95.95	83.63	52.13	9.05	1.00
One Year Ago <i>03-21-2013</i>	4.40	95.60	79.00	47.68	13.13	0.87

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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