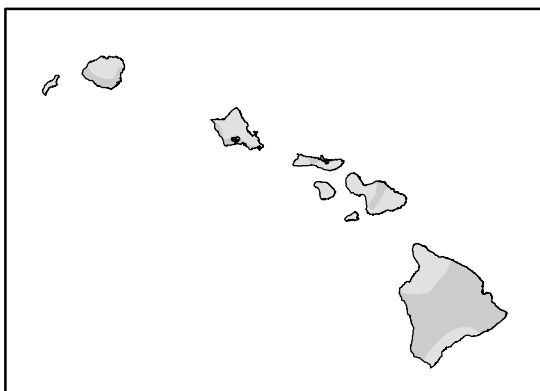
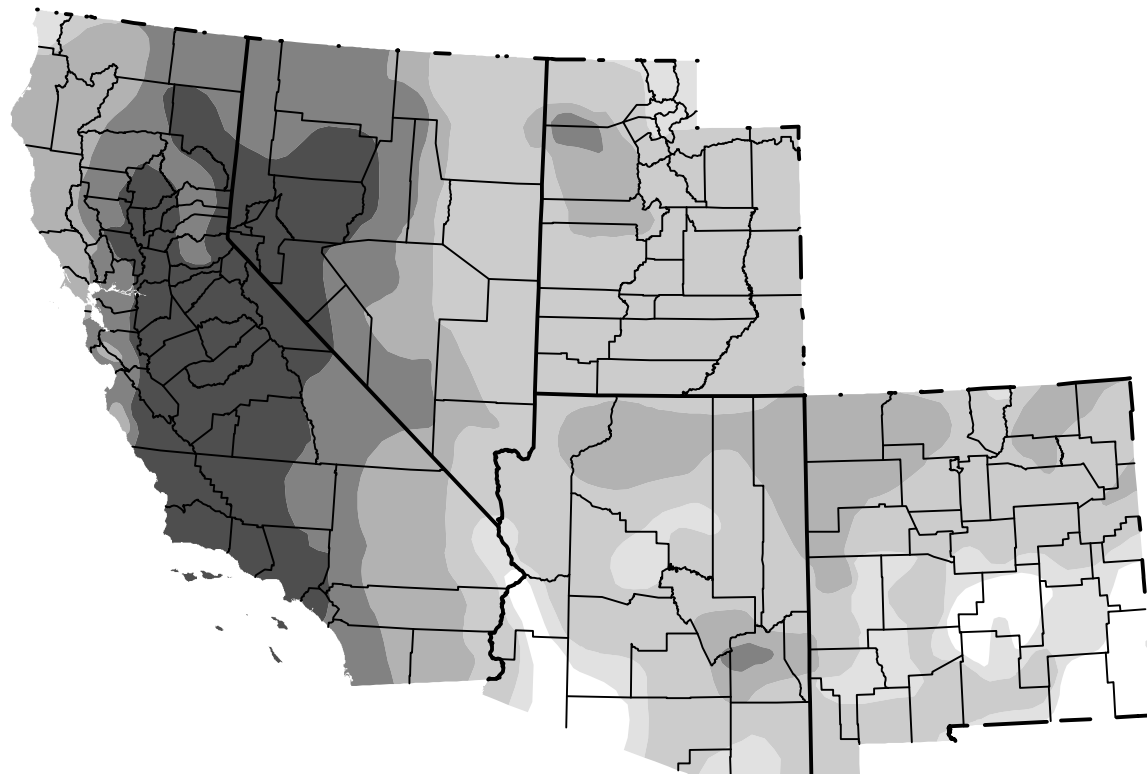


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.02	95.98	87.90	47.11	27.27	14.02
Last Week 02-26-2015	4.23	95.77	88.16	49.84	28.79	14.02
3 Months Ago 12-04-2014	6.17	93.83	82.45	52.31	31.64	16.84
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2014	5.87	94.13	81.75	52.28	31.17	10.76
Start of Water Year 10-02-2014	6.10	93.90	82.03	53.46	33.11	17.72
One Year Ago 03-06-2014	1.73	98.27	86.10	63.38	29.46	6.94

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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