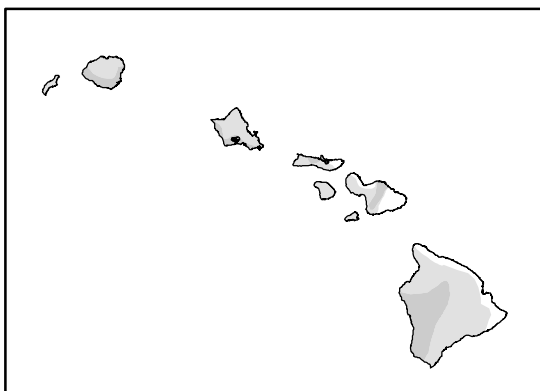
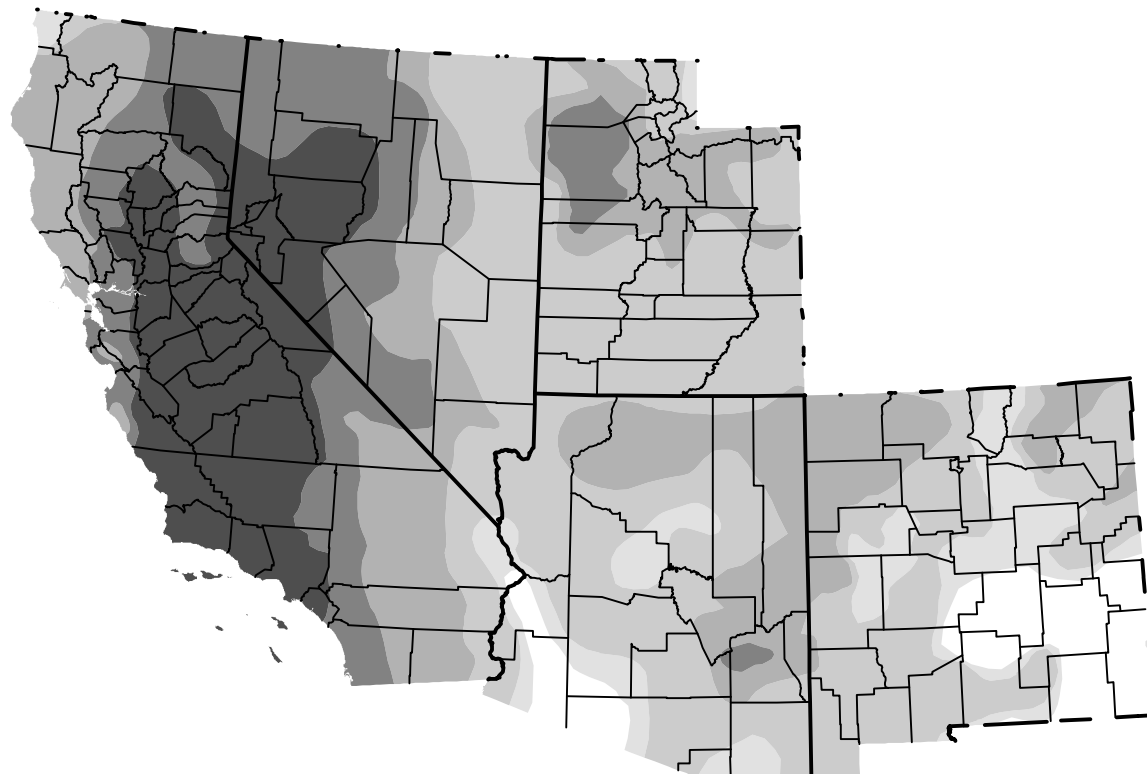


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	5.52	7.43	35.39	23.56	13.70	14.41
Last Week <i>03-19-2015</i>	4.18	7.16	38.99	22.40	13.26	14.02
3 Months Ago <i>12-24-2014</i>	5.87	12.31	29.52	21.13	20.41	10.76
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	5.87	12.38	29.47	21.11	20.41	10.76
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	11.87	28.57	20.35	15.39	17.72
One Year Ago <i>03-27-2014</i>	0.84	7.97	24.08	35.82	23.53	7.75

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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