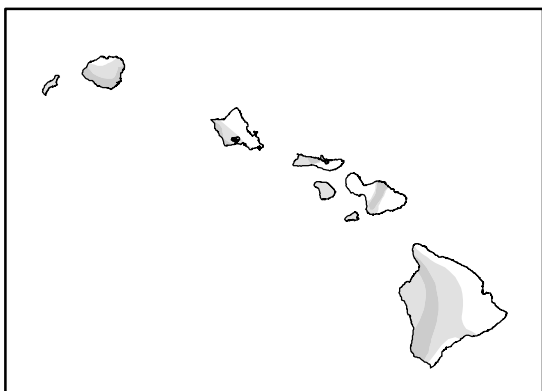
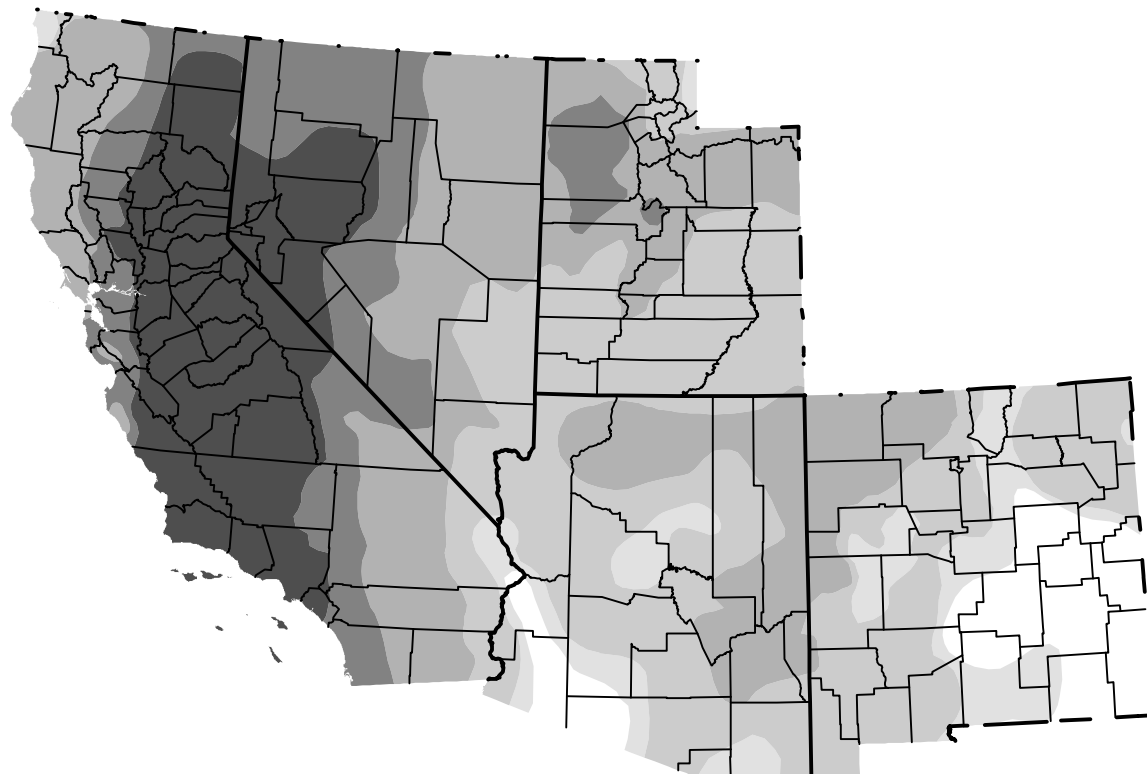


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	7.08	7.27	29.41	27.99	12.41	15.83
Last Week <i>04-30-2015</i>	6.89	7.39	28.91	28.37	12.60	15.83
3 Months Ago <i>02-05-2015</i>	5.26	14.01	31.75	18.22	16.90	13.86
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>05-08-2014</i>	1.46	4.40	20.54	37.78	26.80	9.02

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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