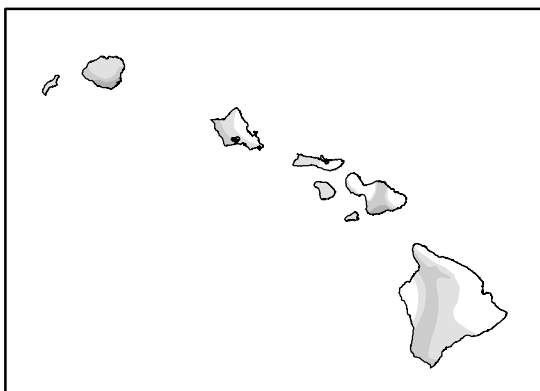
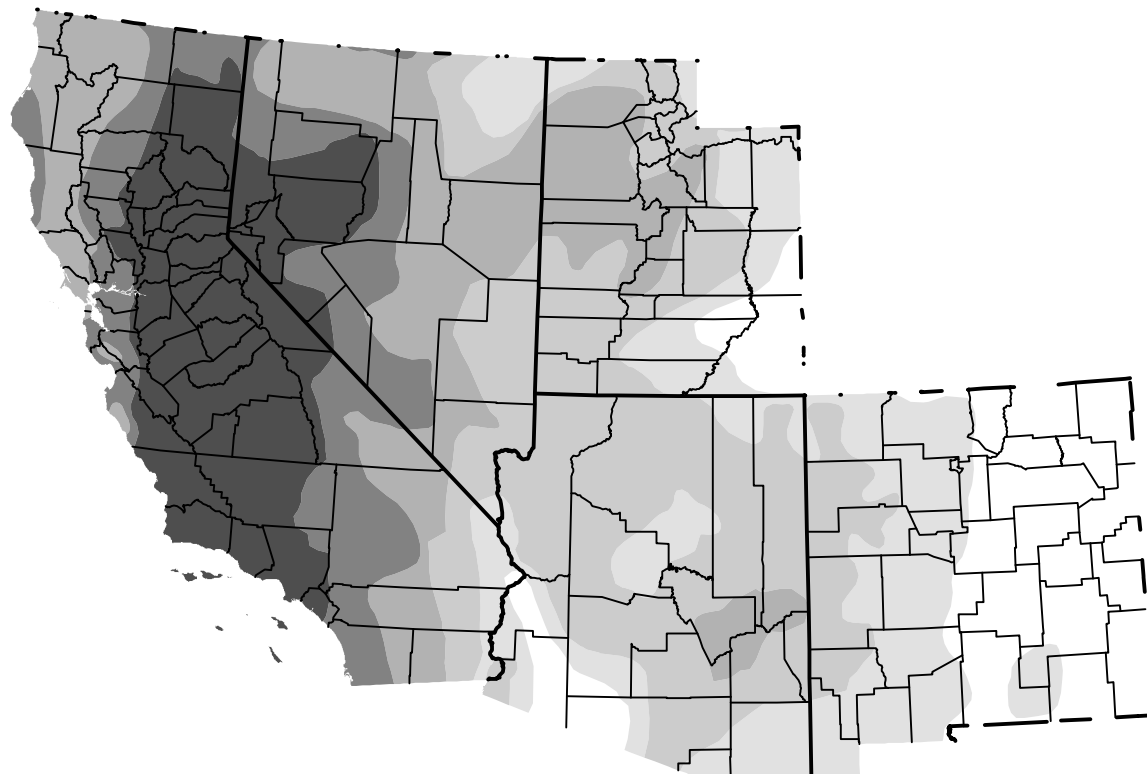


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	13.57	86.43	68.95	43.57	25.84	15.17
Last Week 08-13-2015	13.57	86.43	71.02	44.39	25.84	15.17
3 Months Ago 05-21-2015	8.15	91.85	81.85	54.39	28.20	15.83
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 08-21-2014	2.91	97.09	89.10	67.16	35.51	17.72

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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