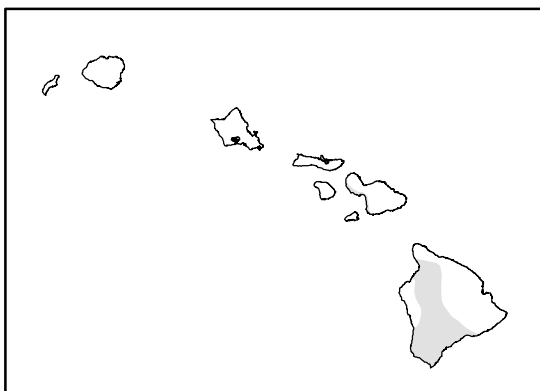
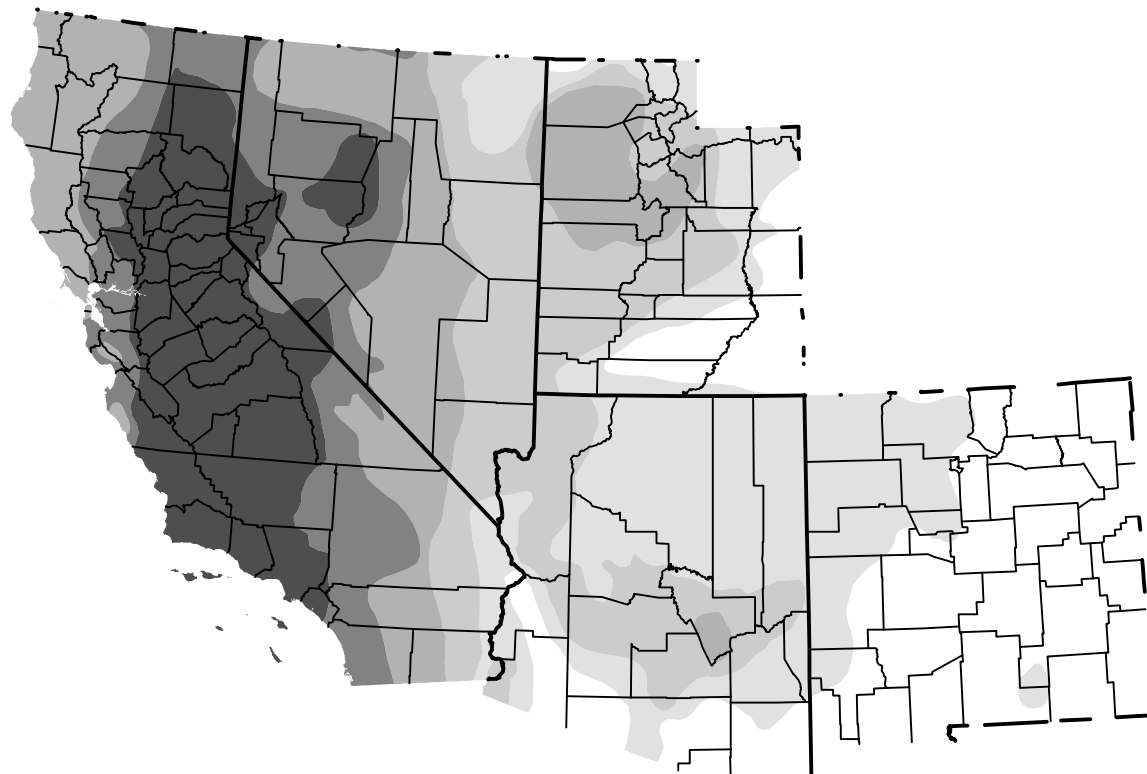


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.06	77.94	56.59	40.25	24.28	13.64
Last Week 12-03-2015	22.34	77.66	56.59	40.25	24.67	13.64
3 Months Ago 09-10-2015	13.79	86.21	68.85	43.54	25.84	15.17
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2014	5.87	94.13	81.75	52.28	31.17	10.76
Start of Water Year 10-01-2015	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago 12-11-2014	5.87	94.13	82.45	52.31	31.64	16.84

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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