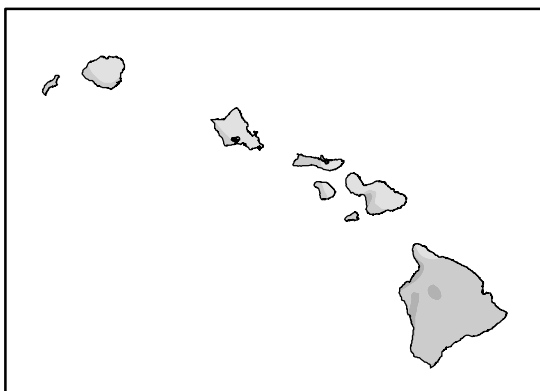
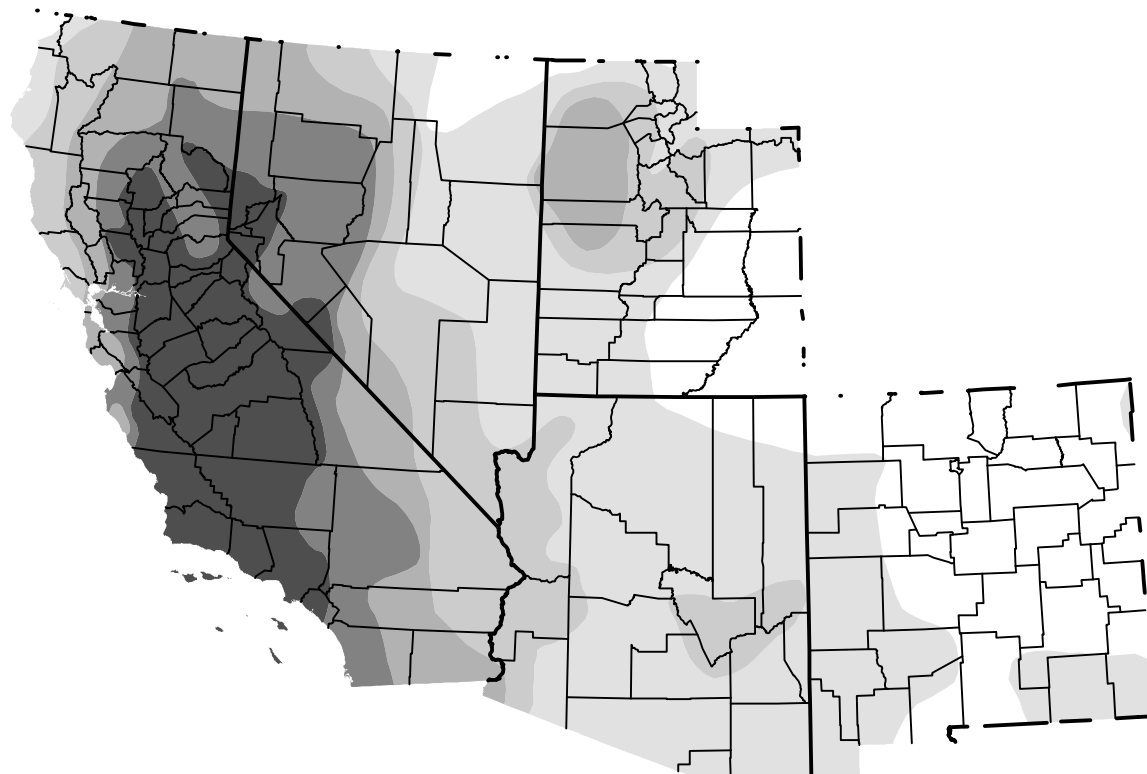


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	20.46	33.17	15.42	10.48	9.40	11.06
Last Week <i>03-03-2016</i>	23.16	31.89	14.22	10.26	9.40	11.06
3 Months Ago <i>12-10-2015</i>	22.06	21.36	16.34	15.97	10.63	13.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2015</i>	21.87	21.67	17.62	14.60	10.59	13.64
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2015</i>	16.35	17.62	22.93	17.26	10.67	15.17
One Year Ago <i>03-12-2015</i>	4.11	8.28	39.61	20.73	13.26	14.02

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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