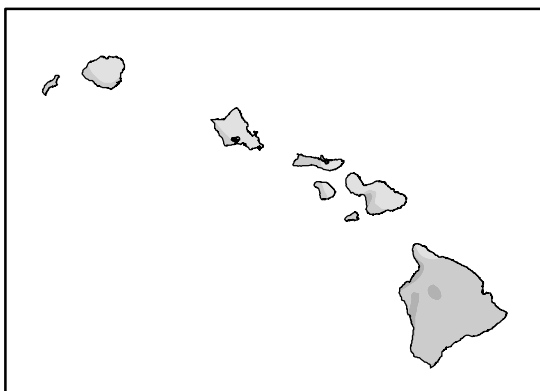
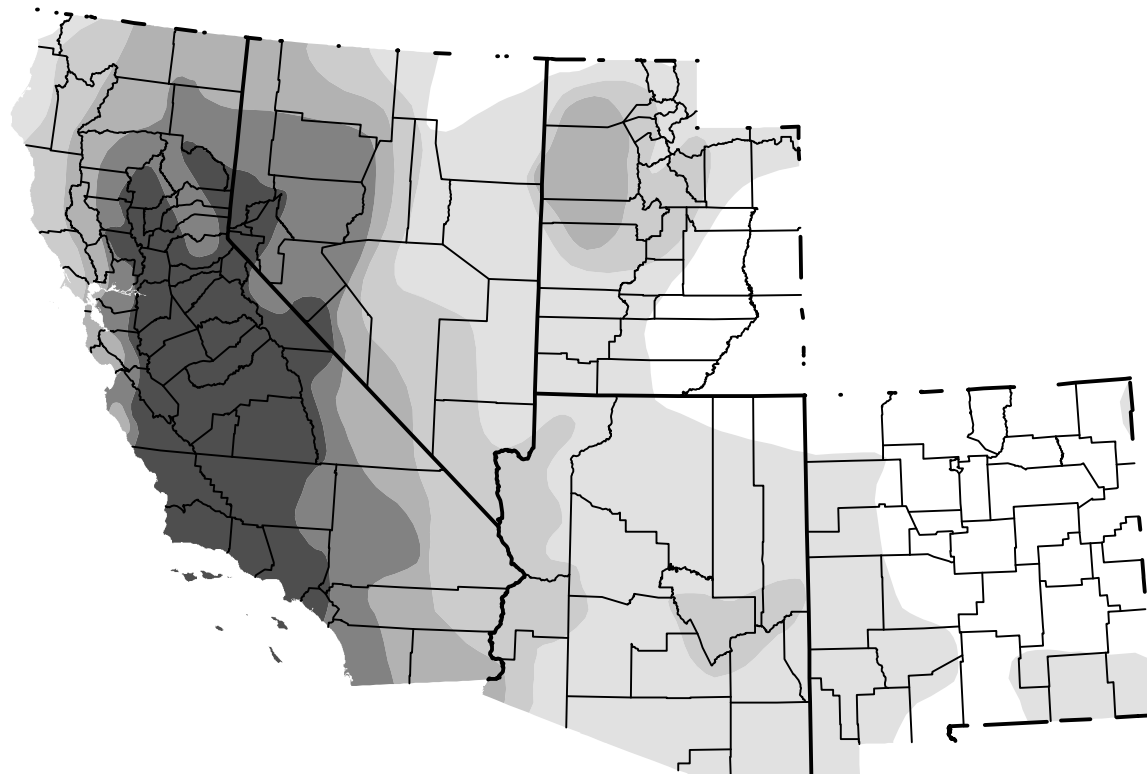


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.46	79.54	46.37	30.95	20.47	11.06
Last Week <i>03-03-2016</i>	23.16	76.84	44.95	30.73	20.47	11.06
3 Months Ago <i>12-10-2015</i>	22.06	77.94	56.59	40.25	24.28	13.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2015</i>	21.87	78.13	56.46	38.84	24.23	13.64
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2015</i>	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago <i>03-12-2015</i>	4.11	95.89	87.61	48.00	27.27	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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