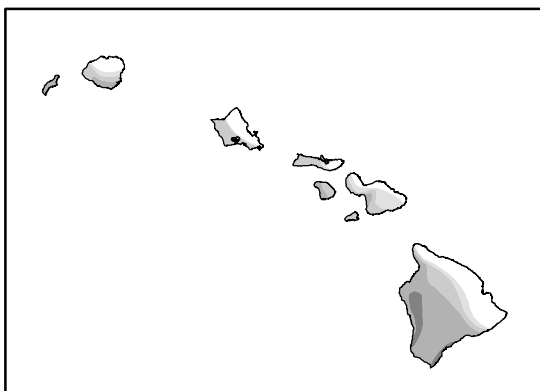
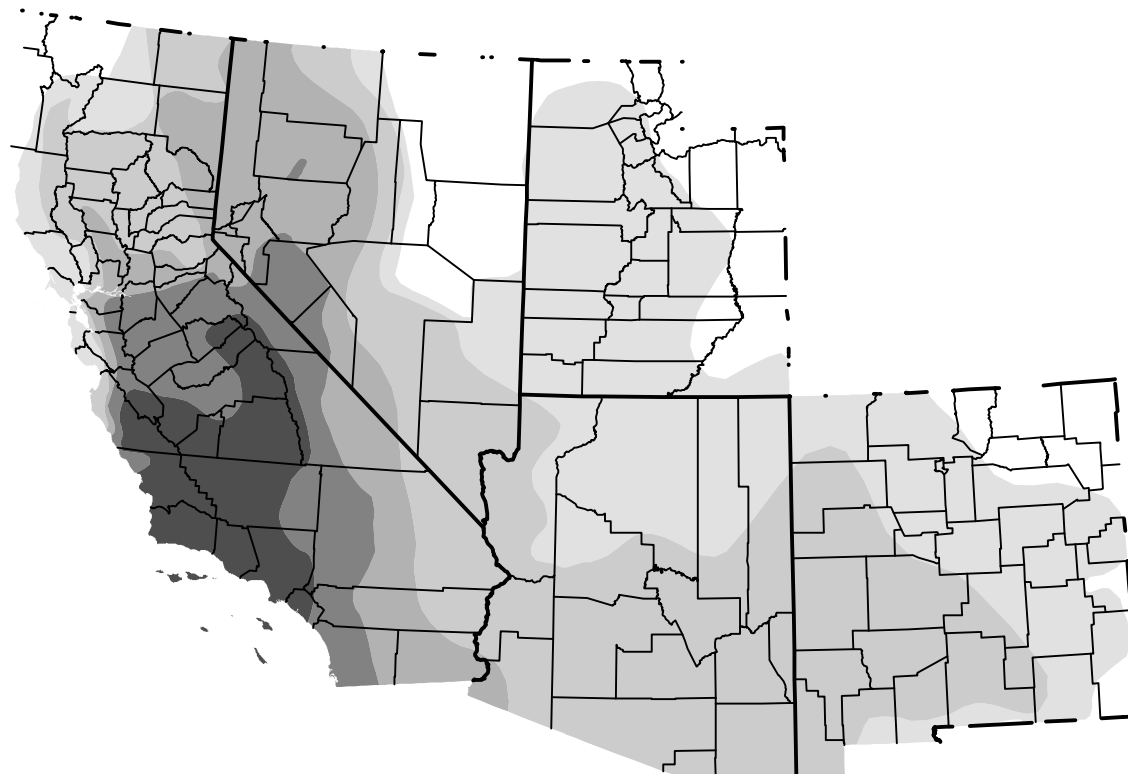


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.19	28.80	31.77	11.76	6.89	5.59
Last Week <i>05-12-2016</i>	13.66	27.64	32.00	9.62	11.49	5.59
3 Months Ago <i>02-18-2016</i>	32.39	22.93	14.24	9.83	9.55	11.06
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>05-21-2015</i>	8.15	10.00	27.46	26.19	12.36	15.83

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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