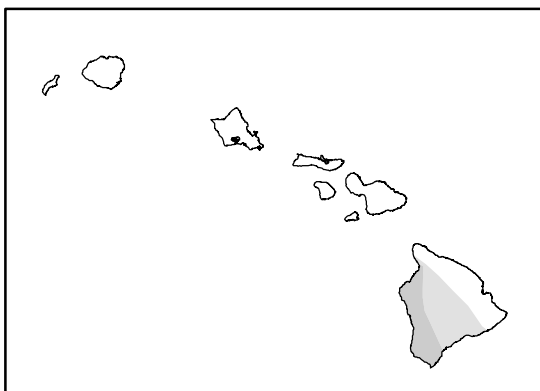
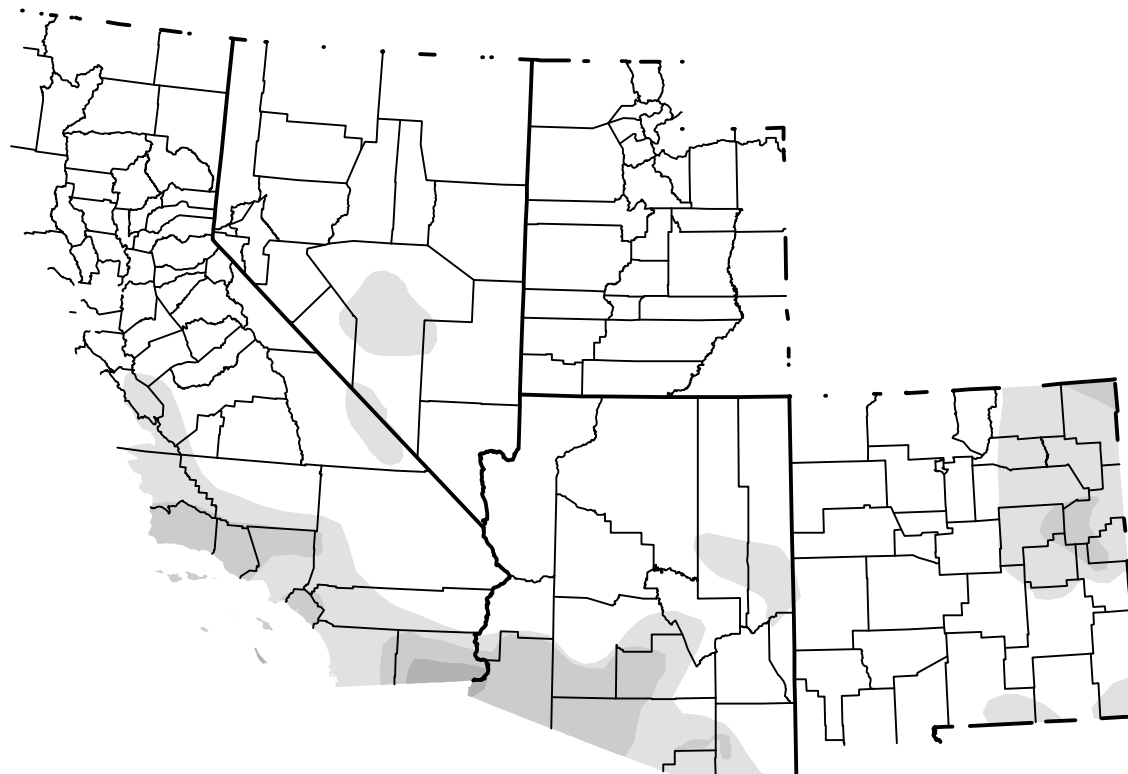


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	81.90	18.10	5.62	0.32	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-09-2017</i>	80.43	19.57	5.38	0.34	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-15-2016</i>	27.20	72.80	37.44	18.56	11.42	5.59
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2017</i>	40.36	59.64	31.73	16.38	10.17	4.86
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2016</i>	22.72	77.28	40.39	21.72	11.41	5.59
One Year Ago <i>03-17-2016</i>	18.64	81.36	46.69	28.53	19.00	9.43

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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