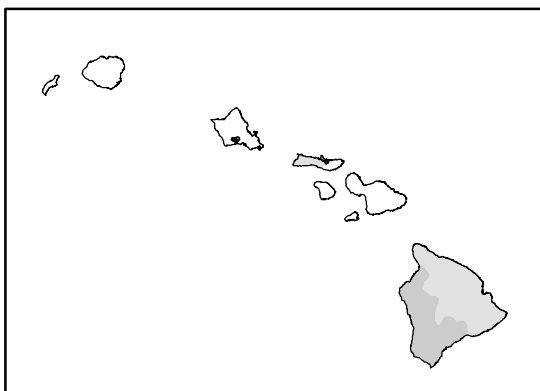
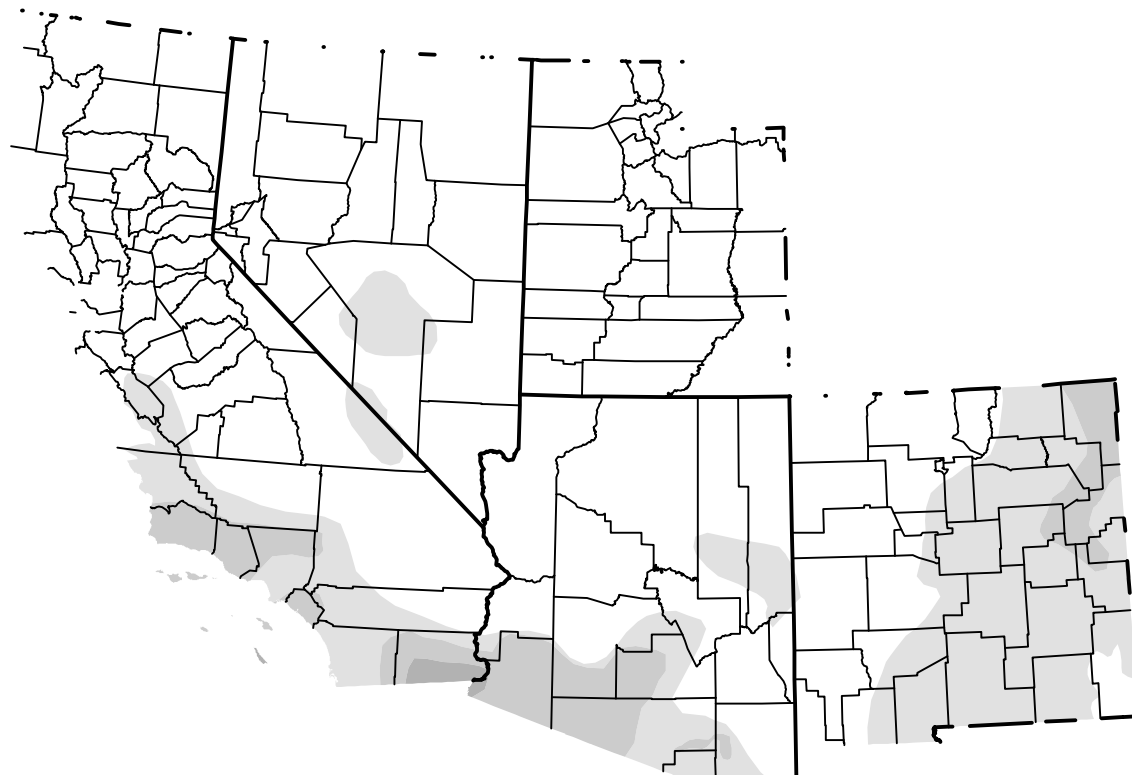


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	75.19	18.37	6.12	0.32	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-16-2017</i>	81.90	12.48	5.30	0.32	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-22-2016</i>	27.54	35.85	18.46	7.08	5.82	5.24
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2017</i>	40.36	27.91	15.35	6.21	5.31	4.86
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2016</i>	22.72	36.90	18.67	10.30	5.83	5.59
One Year Ago <i>03-24-2016</i>	7.81	37.62	26.23	9.35	9.56	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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