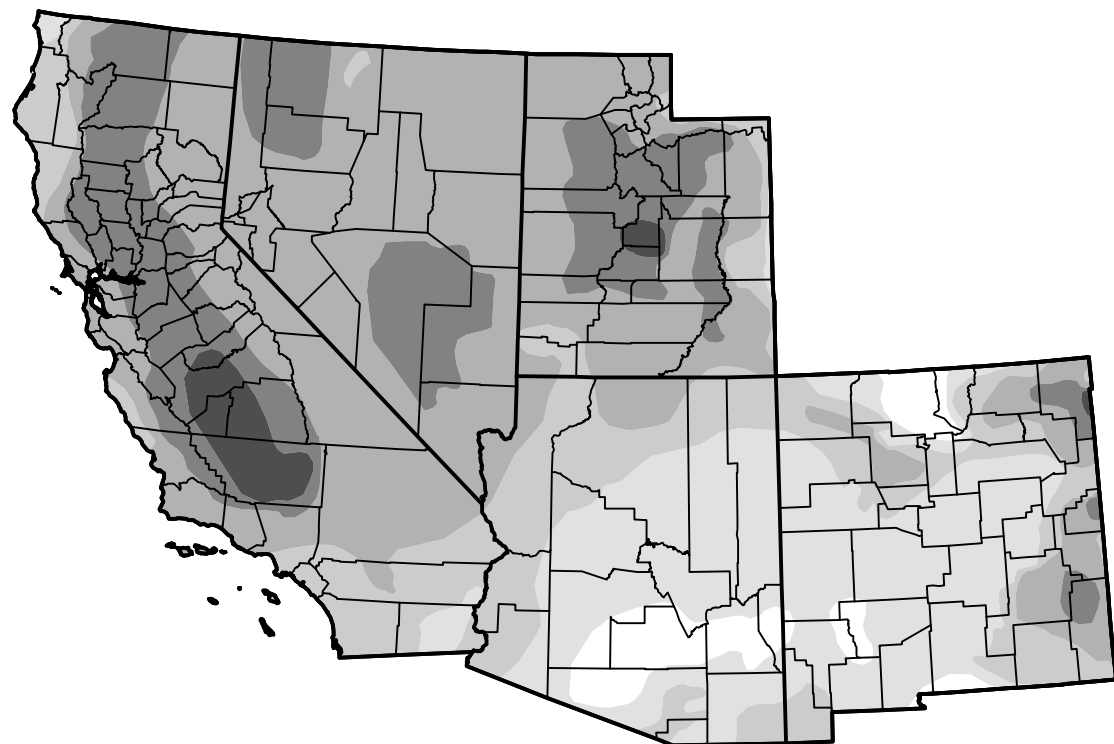


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.45	95.55	74.80	57.97	19.17	2.21
Last Week 12-13-2022	4.10	95.90	75.05	58.05	19.20	2.21
3 Months Ago 09-20-2022	0.21	99.79	89.14	69.55	28.93	4.92
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	1.03	98.97	89.84	64.45	18.99	1.62
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	0.23	99.77	86.71	67.59	28.88	4.92
One Year Ago 12-21-2021	0.72	99.28	94.28	76.26	49.21	10.56

Note: Statistics do not include areas represented by points.

Intensity:



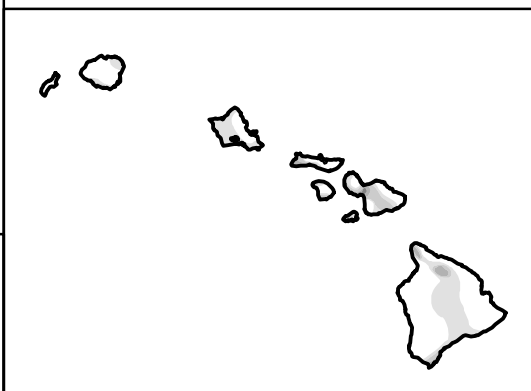
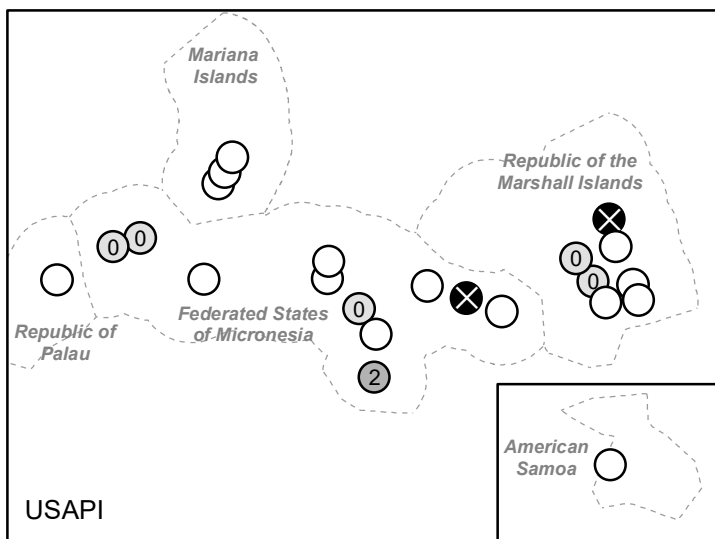
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