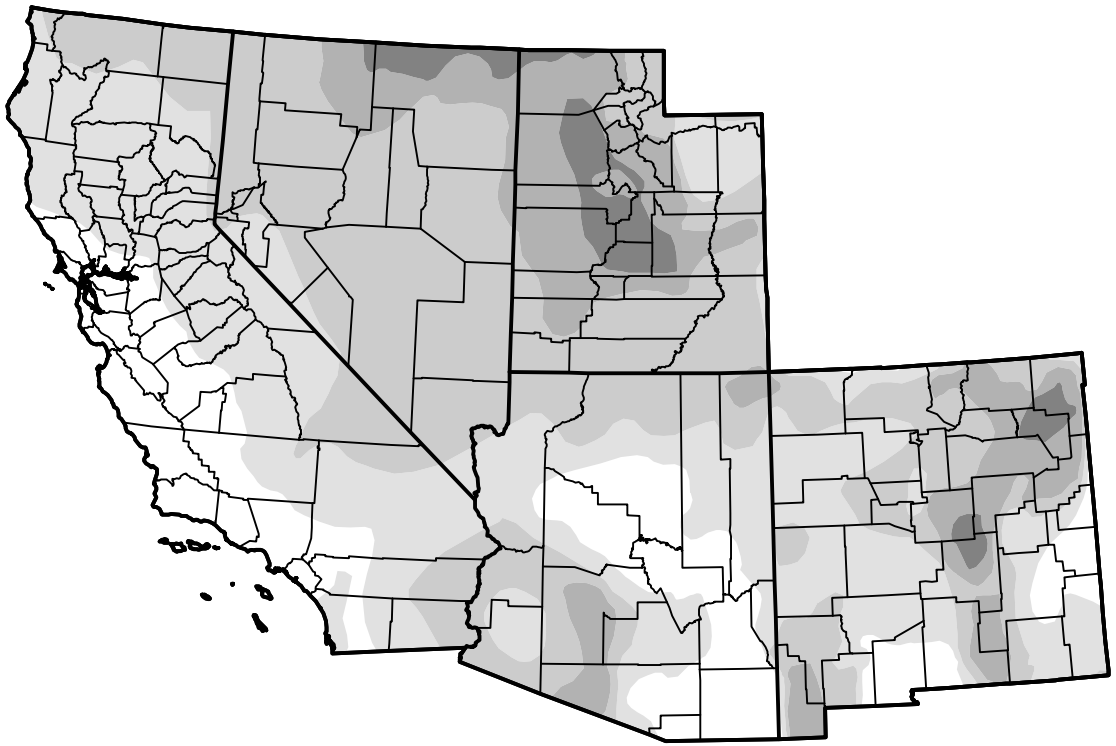
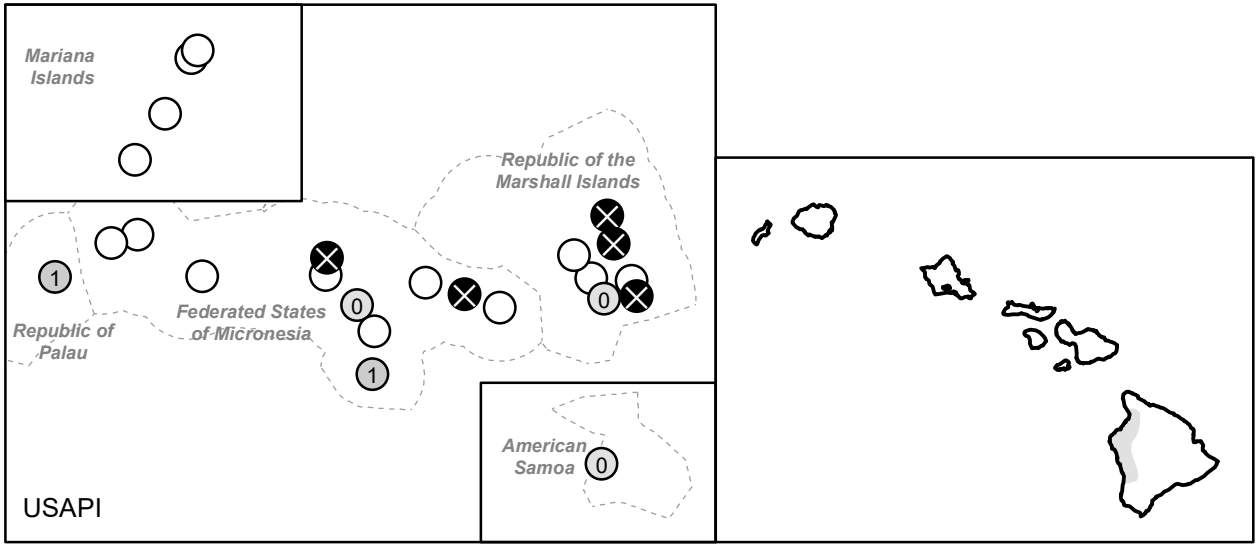
U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub





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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	16.35	83.65	52.47	15.66	3.29	0.00
Last Week *10-20-2026*	14.40	85.60	57.19	27.32	4.66	0.14
3 Months Ago *07-28-2026*	11.80	88.20	66.25	47.31	14.40	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	42.93	57.07	42.18	20.03	1.24	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	10.50	89.50	68.63	37.94	8.56	0.14
One Year Ago *10-28-2025*	20.57	79.43	63.98	36.91	6.20	0.00

Note: Statistics do not include areas represented by points.

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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