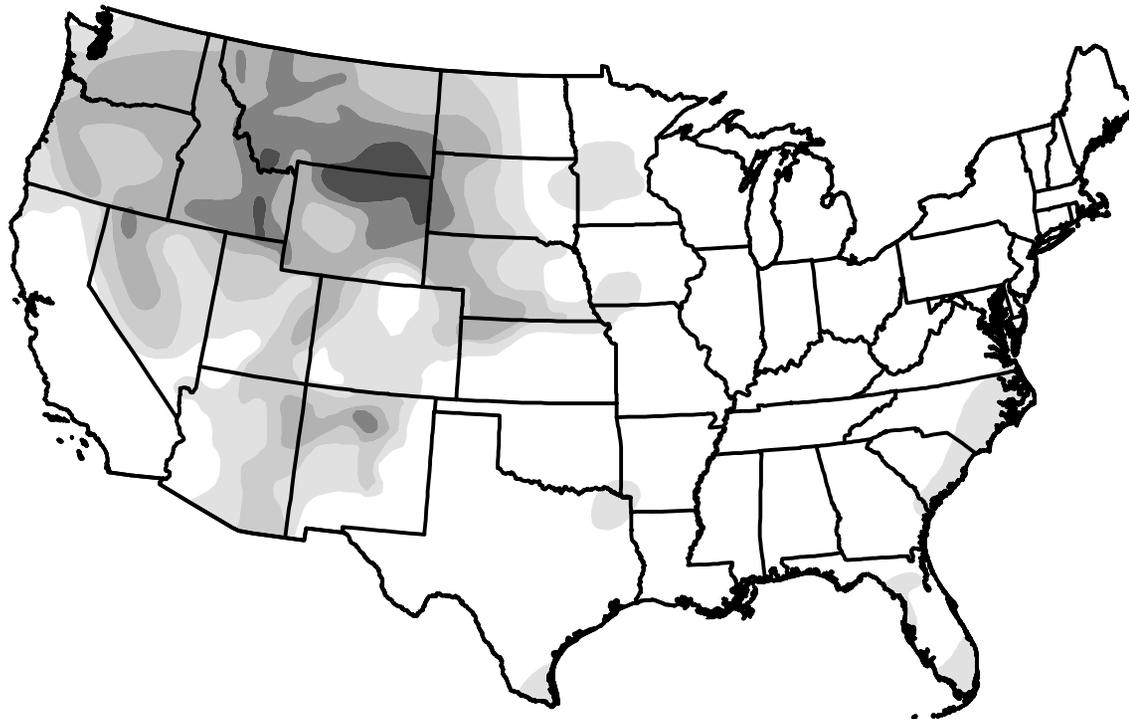


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Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	59.94	40.06	26.76	16.79	5.56	1.33
Last Week <i>03-01-2005</i>	61.64	38.35	26.70	16.26	5.51	1.32
3 Months Ago <i>12-07-2004</i>	63.42	36.57	27.02	16.49	6.49	0.93
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	63.02	36.97	25.64	15.39	5.91	0.77
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	56.51	43.48	30.51	21.82	9.69	0.93
One Year Ago <i>03-09-2004</i>	50.61	49.38	38.47	27.52	12.46	1.93

Intensity:



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