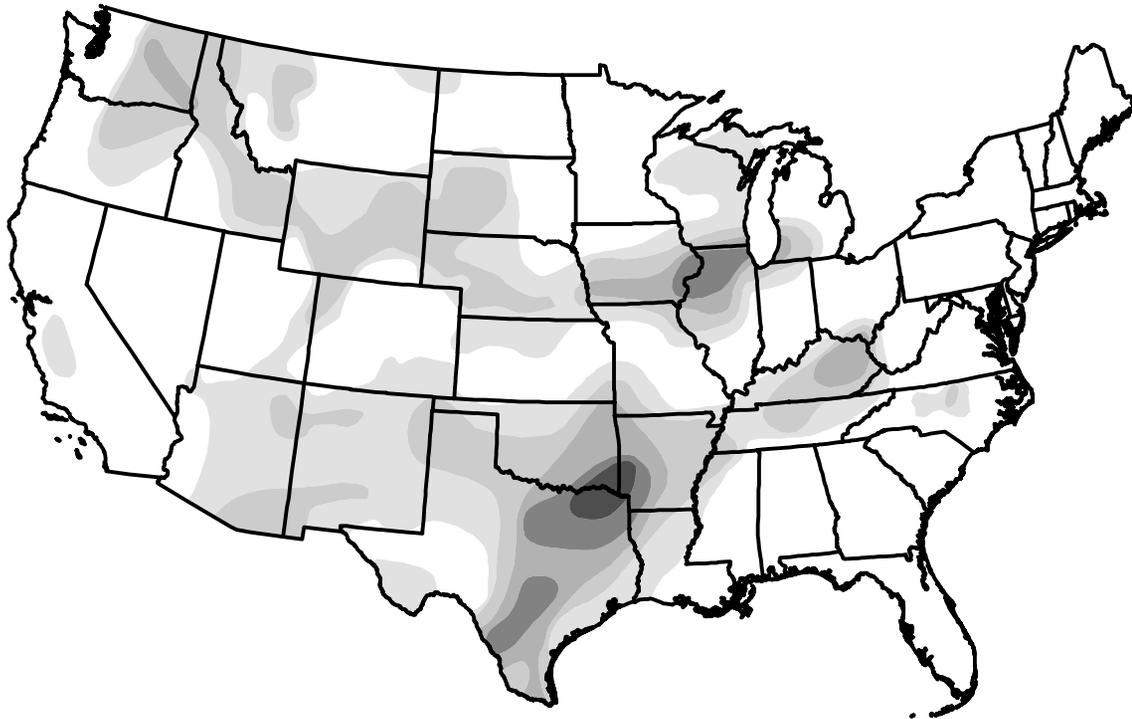


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U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	61.35	38.64	18.90	6.14	2.34	0.45
Last Week <i>12-20-2005</i>	59.87	40.12	19.05	6.18	2.34	0.45
3 Months Ago <i>09-27-2005</i>	59.56	40.43	19.82	6.01	0.62	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	69.08	30.91	21.42	12.86	4.94	0.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	59.56	40.43	19.82	6.01	0.62	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-28-2004</i>	67.59	32.40	22.64	13.79	5.45	0.77

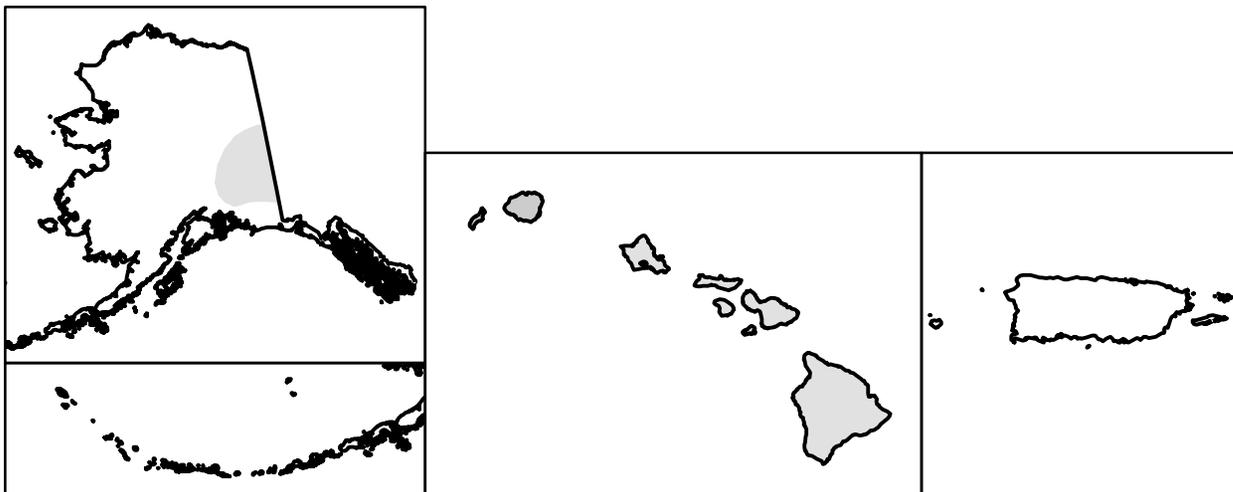
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