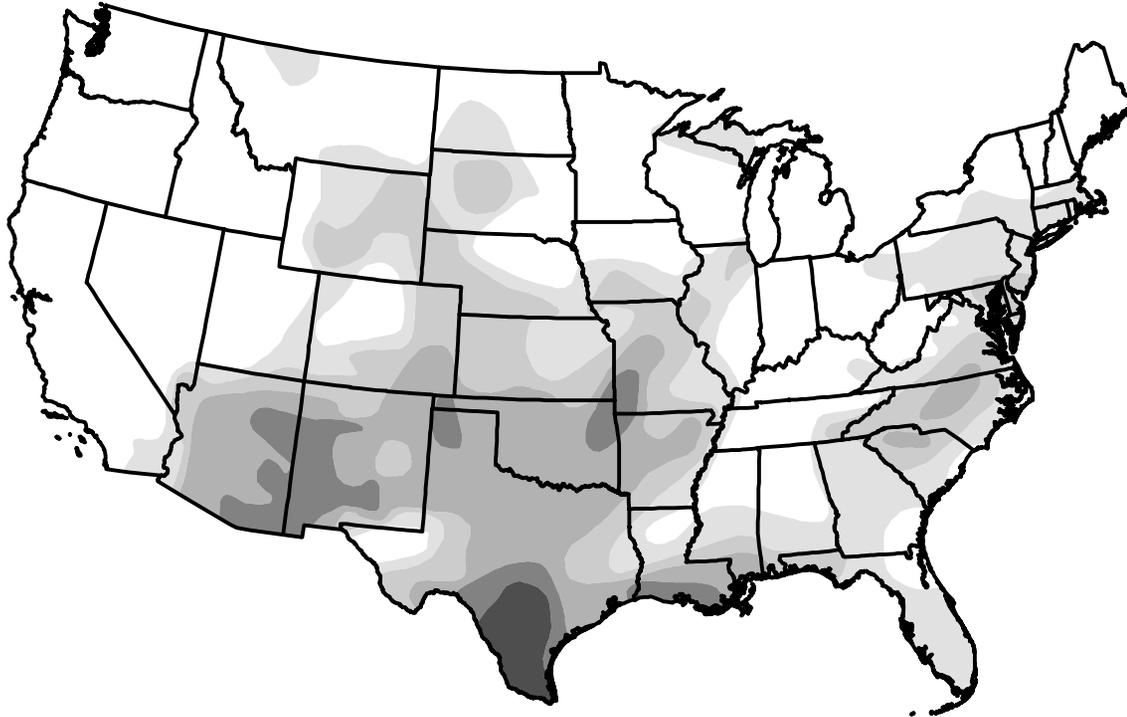


U.S. Drought Monitor

U.S. States and Puerto Rico

April 18, 2006
 (Released Thursday, Apr. 20, 2006)
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.57	48.42	27.39	15.62	4.64	1.06
Last Week <i>04-11-2006</i>	53.13	46.86	26.40	13.82	3.31	0.94
3 Months Ago <i>01-17-2006</i>	58.33	41.66	21.31	7.14	3.13	0.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.51	37.48	17.80	6.25	2.47	0.51
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>04-19-2005</i>	70.12	29.87	18.52	11.69	4.82	1.28

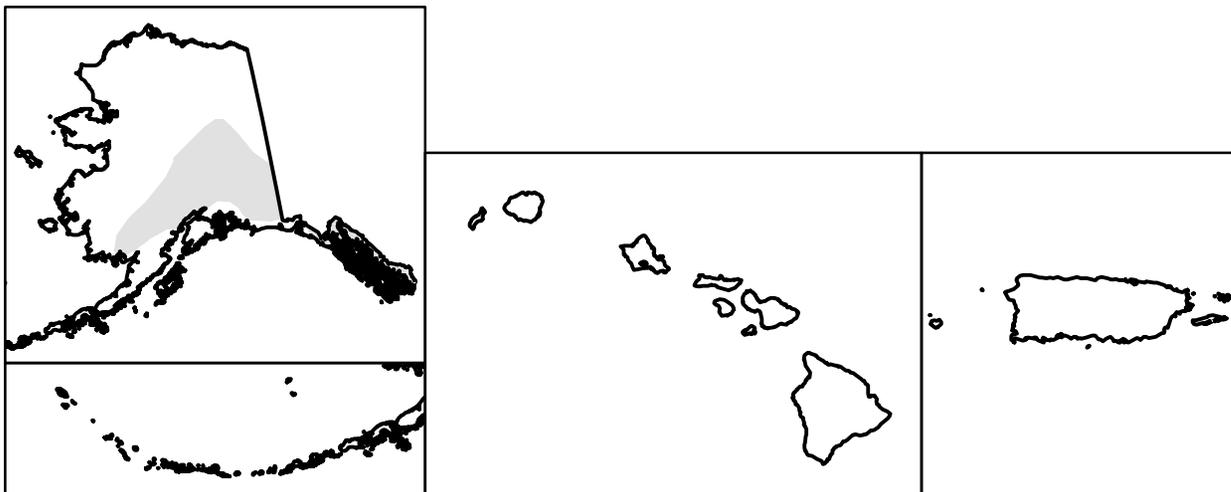
Intensity:



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>

Author:

Richard Tinker
 CPC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP



droughtmonitor.unl.edu