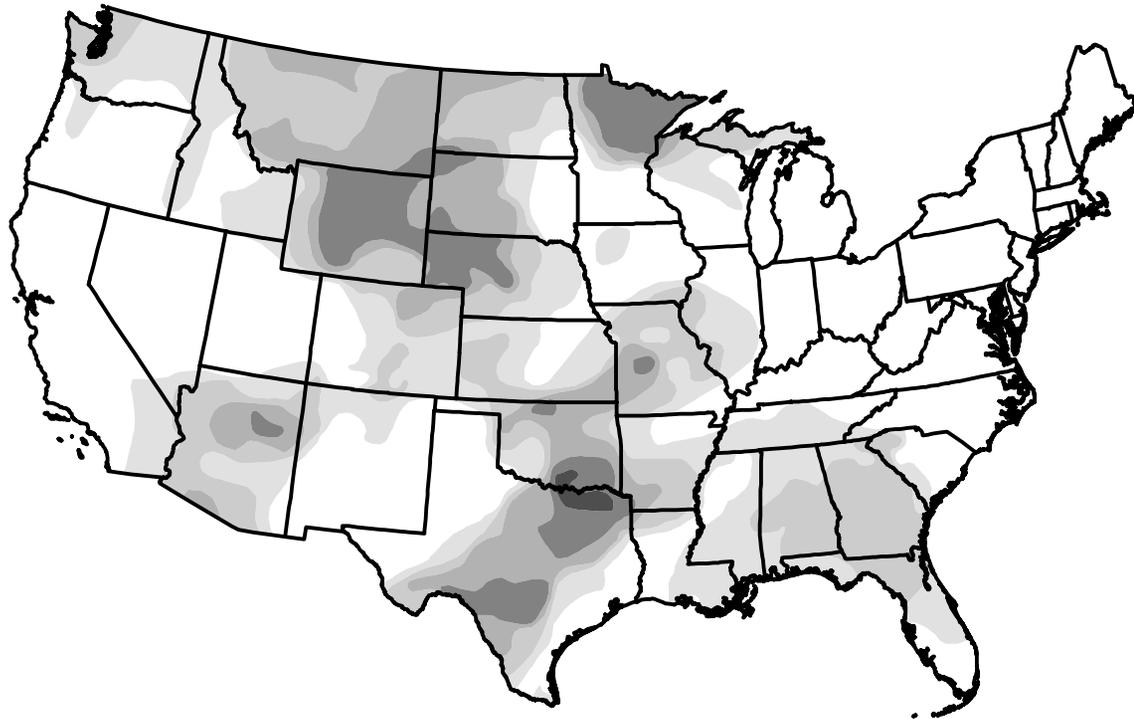


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	55.44	44.55	27.63	13.66	5.29	0.24
Last Week <i>10-10-2006</i>	54.17	45.81	29.33	14.04	5.58	0.20
3 Months Ago <i>07-18-2006</i>	46.87	53.12	40.49	21.64	6.13	0.84
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>09-26-2006</i>	54.01	45.98	27.52	13.62	5.52	0.12
One Year Ago <i>10-18-2005</i>	64.30	35.69	15.50	4.27	0.67	0.00

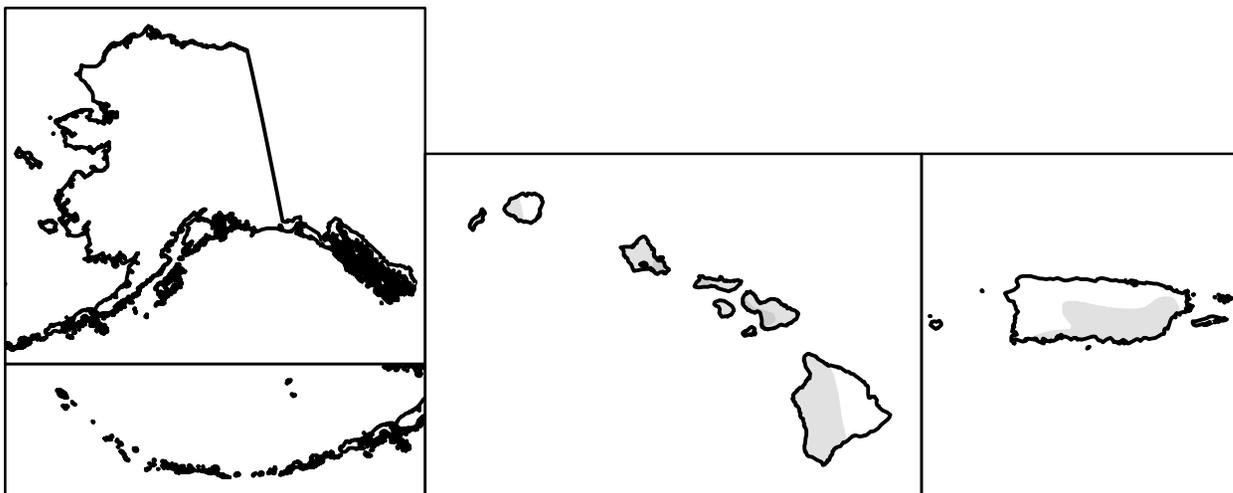
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