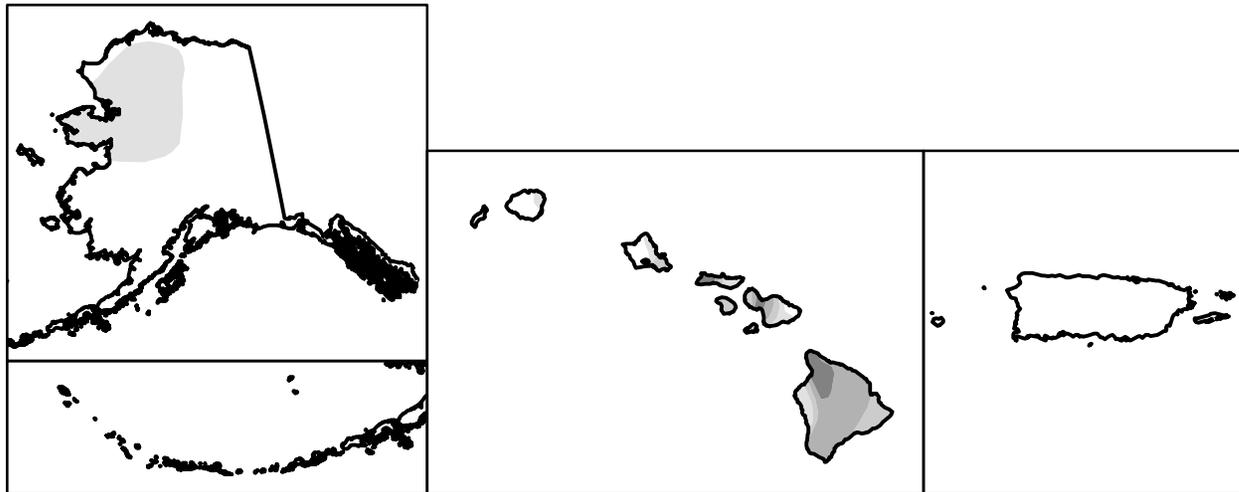
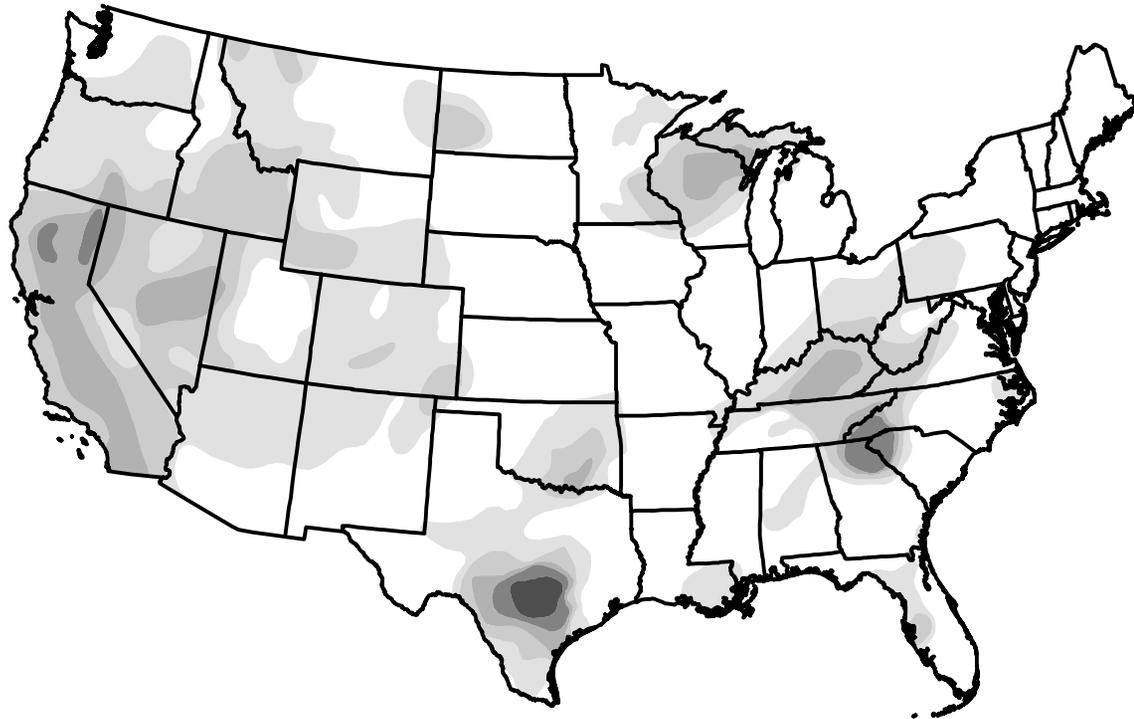


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U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	56.84	25.60	11.46	4.77	1.02	0.31
Last Week <i>12-09-2008</i>	56.50	25.16	11.05	5.41	1.23	0.64
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2008</i>	59.17	22.42	12.05	5.18	1.05	0.12
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	49.26	21.52	12.17	12.23	2.82	1.99
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	57.12	23.05	12.32	5.94	1.41	0.15
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2007</i>	52.22	18.80	11.54	12.07	2.23	3.13

Intensity:



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