

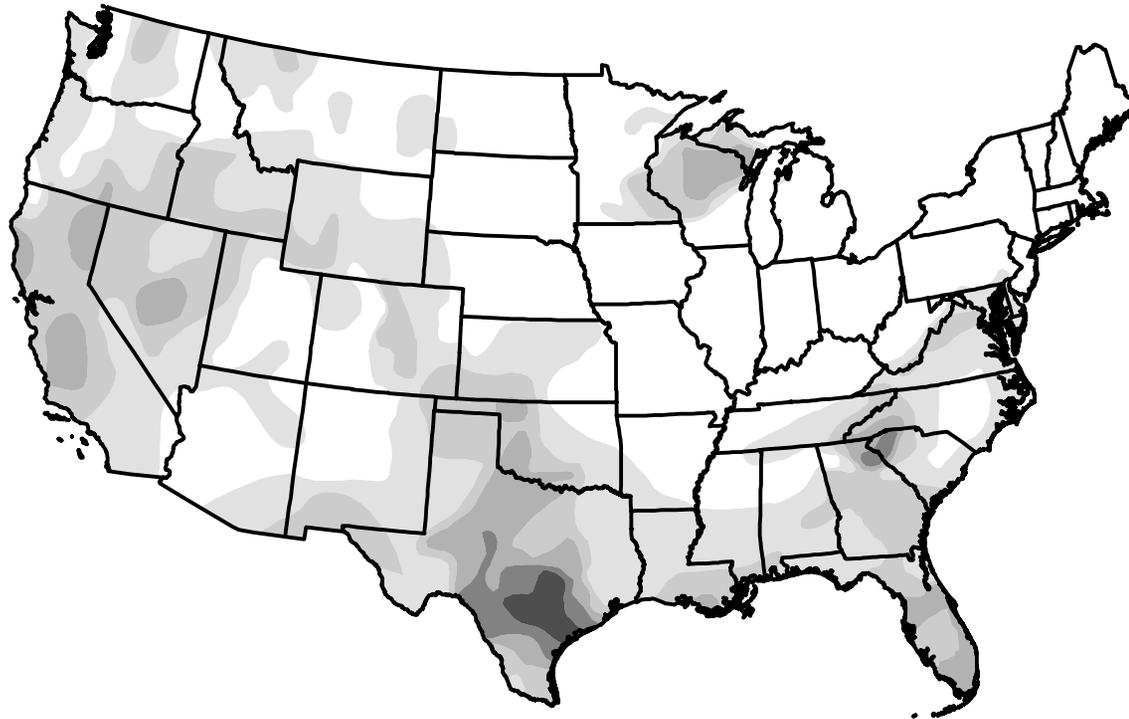
U.S. Drought Monitor

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	54.67	45.32	20.54	6.58	1.59	0.52
Last Week <i>03-10-2009</i>	54.47	45.52	21.56	6.44	1.79	0.71
3 Months Ago <i>12-16-2008</i>	56.84	43.15	17.55	6.10	1.32	0.31
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	61.13	38.86	16.16	5.25	1.05	0.31
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	57.12	42.87	19.81	7.49	1.56	0.15
One Year Ago <i>03-18-2008</i>	53.99	46.00	24.76	11.37	2.21	0.09



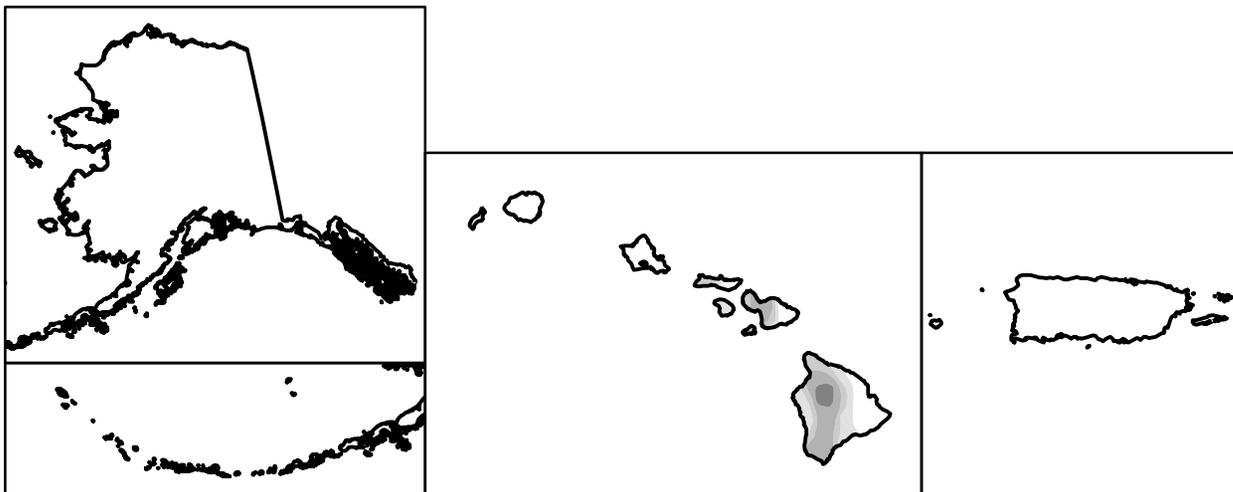
Intensity:



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