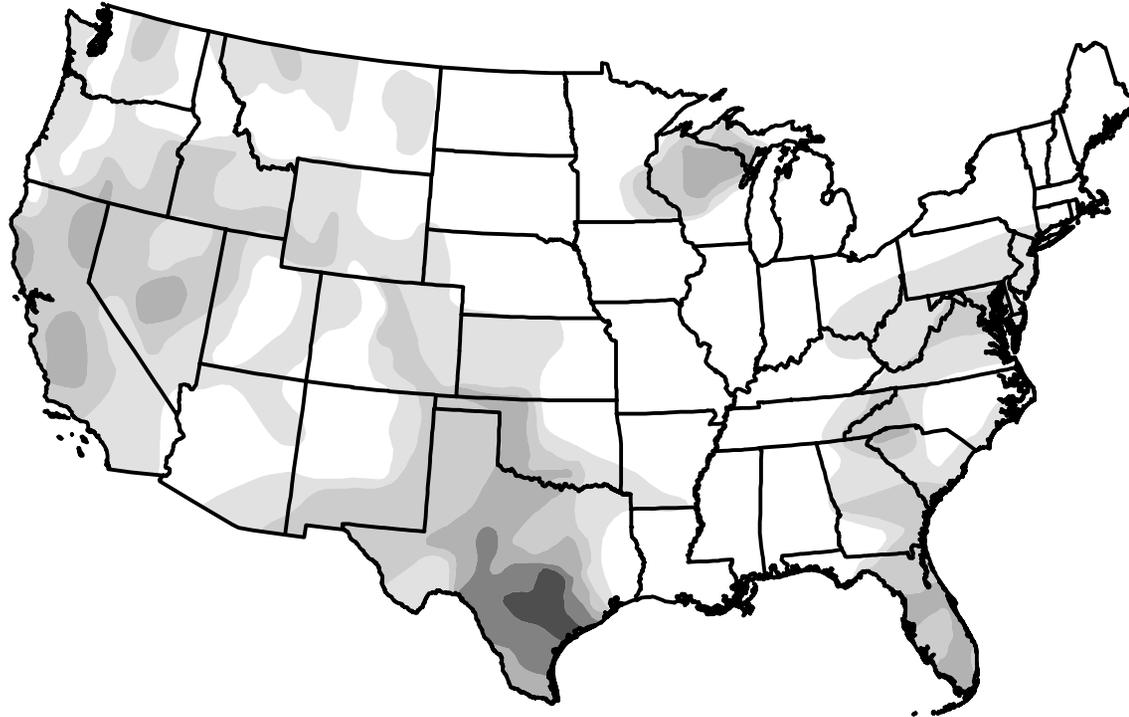


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	57.66	42.32	20.73	6.71	1.82	0.52
Last Week <i>03-24-2009</i>	52.09	47.90	22.29	6.80	1.59	0.52
3 Months Ago <i>12-30-2008</i>	61.13	38.86	16.16	5.25	1.05	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>04-01-2008</i>	53.14	46.85	23.69	8.12	2.38	0.00

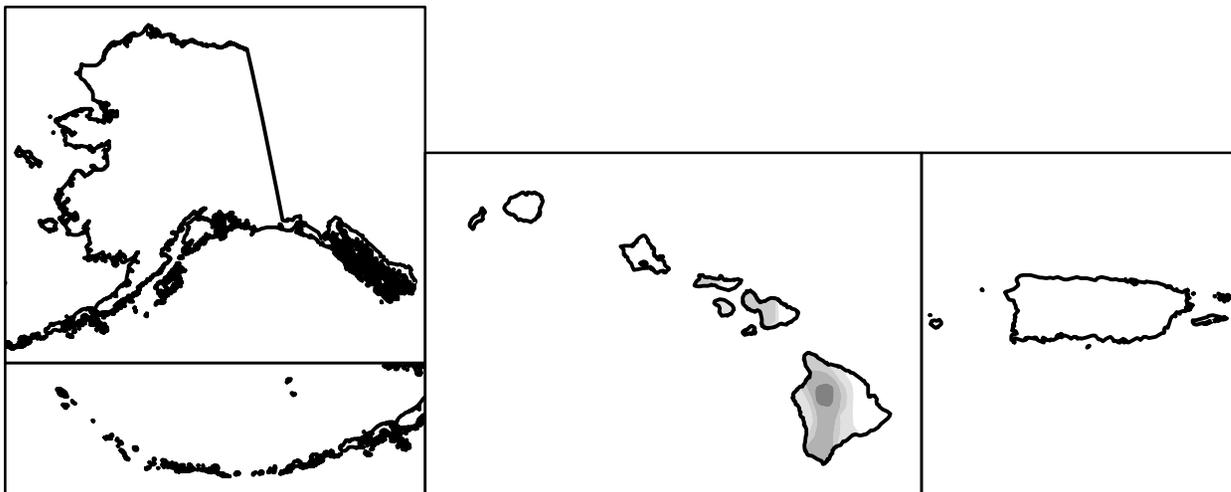
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