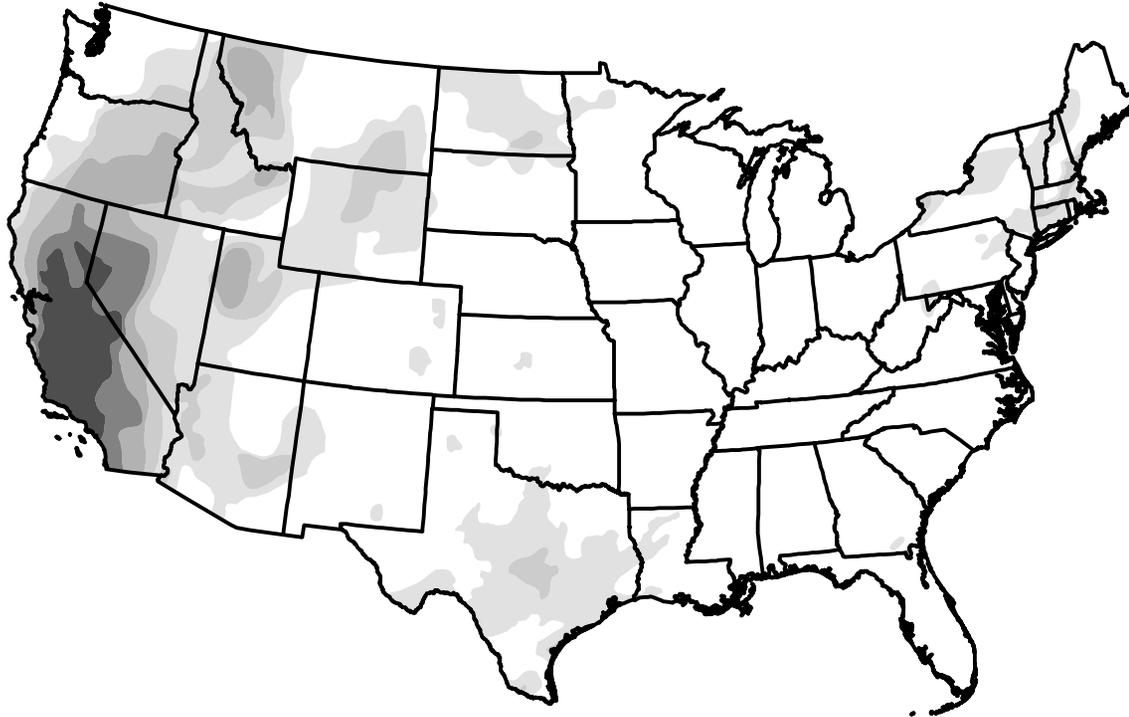


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**February 16, 2016**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	71.16	28.82	12.70	6.47	3.41	1.83
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-09-2016</i>	73.72	26.26	12.59	6.57	3.56	1.83
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-17-2015</i>	59.78	40.21	19.07	12.45	7.08	2.26
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	70.63	29.36	15.70	9.67	5.25	2.26
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	47.01	52.98	26.82	16.82	9.58	2.51
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-17-2015</i>	49.57	50.41	26.92	13.74	7.19	2.81

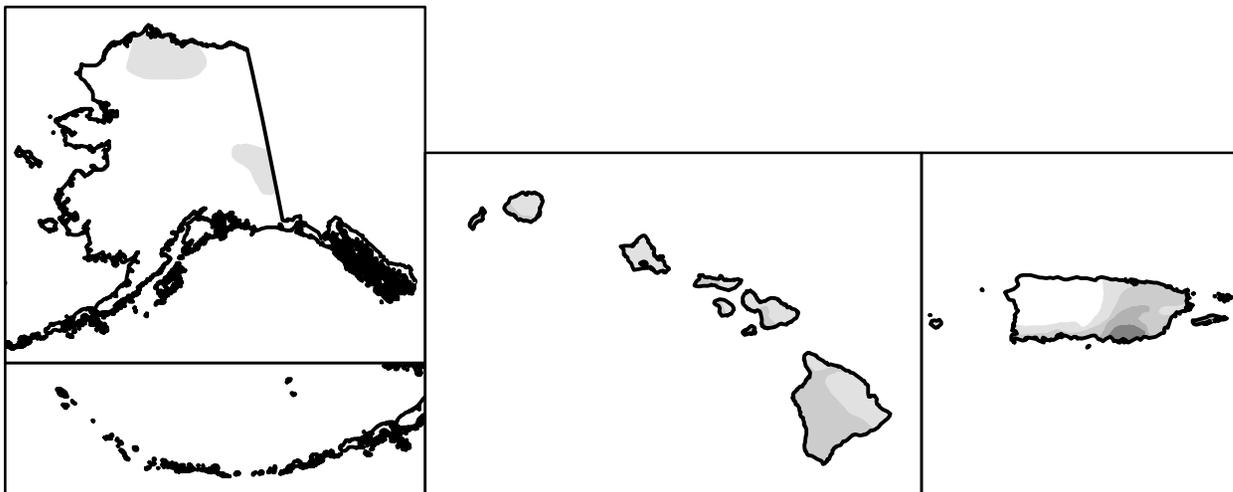
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