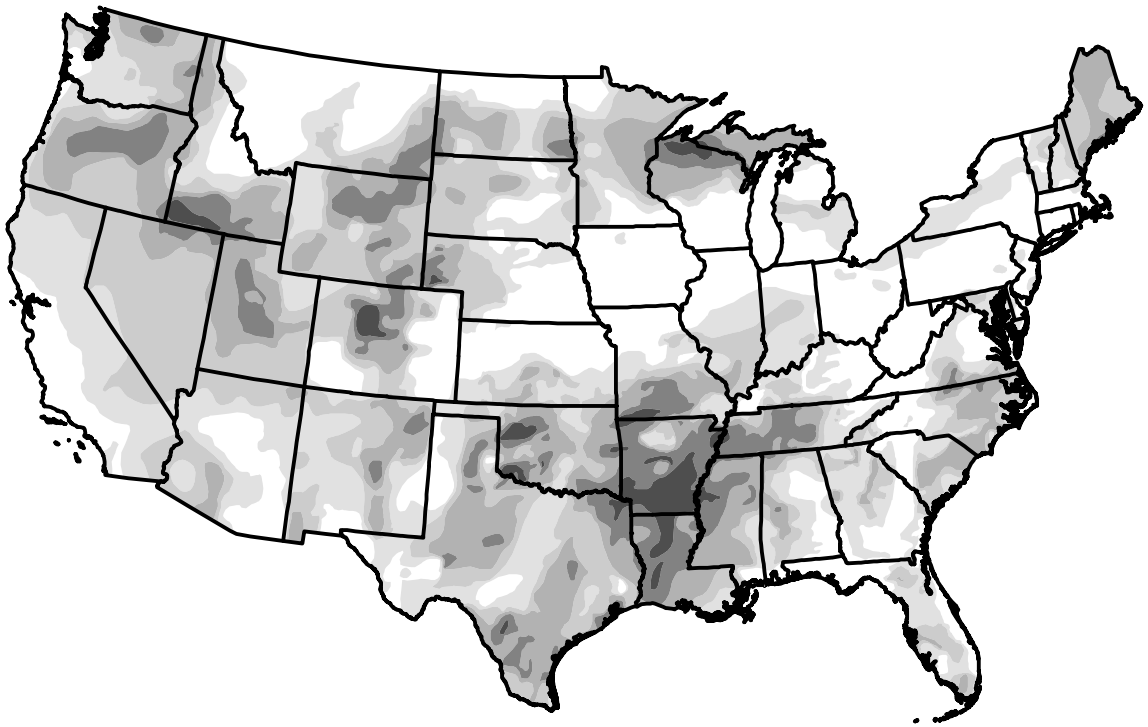
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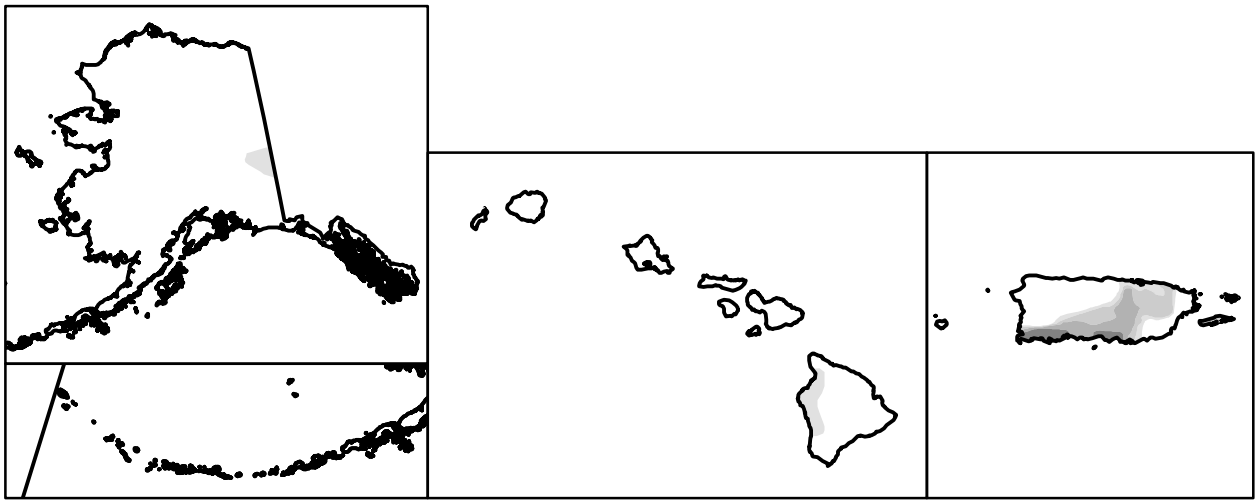
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	39.01	19.60	19.03	14.53	6.45	1.38
Last Week *10-20-2026*	38.58	18.92	18.51	16.15	6.84	1.00
3 Months Ago *07-28-2026*	42.72	17.21	16.41	15.31	7.63	0.72
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	39.61	22.82	24.41	11.56	1.56	0.05
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	33.58	16.64	21.54	18.61	8.31	1.33
One Year Ago *10-28-2025*	42.00	21.45	18.97	14.09	3.41	0.08

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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