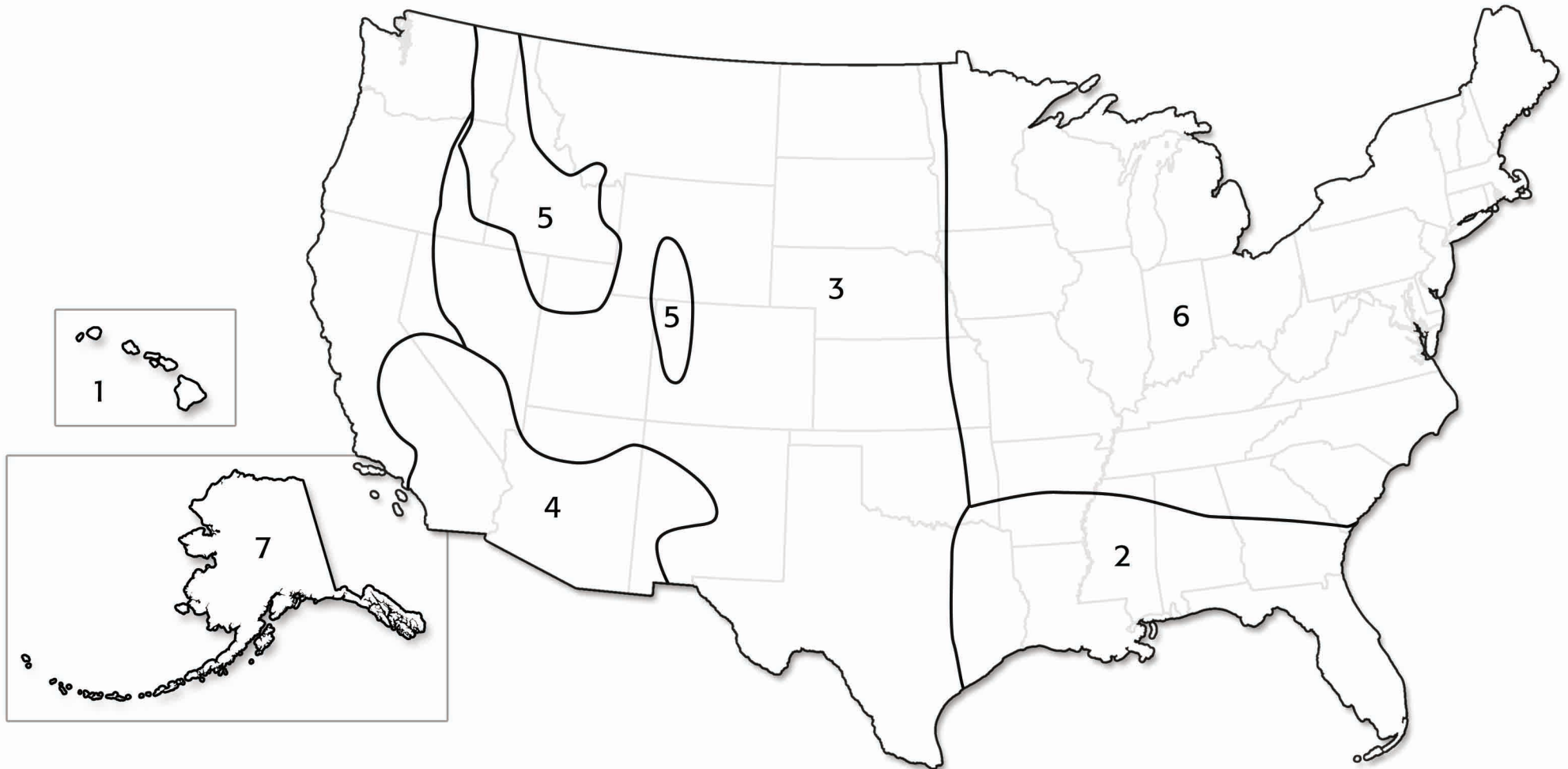


Climates of the United States



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Tropical

Heavy rainfall year round, with usually 100 inches annually. High humidity causes clouds to form during afternoons.

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Subtropical

Short, mild and wet winters and long, hot, dry summers. Usually found immediately north or south of a tropical climate.

3

Semi Arid

Found between wet climates and dry, desert climates. It is classified between a desert and grasslands. Summers are warm and winters are cold, with 4-20 inches of rainfall annually.

4

Arid

Also known as desert or semi-desert areas. Mild winds and high heat evaporate almost all moisture during afternoons.

5

Mountain

Also known as alpine or highland climates, this climate refers to land that is above tree lines. Year round in the mountain climate, no month has over an average temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

6

Temperate

In between a subtropical climate and polar climate. Climates near the ocean have wet, mild winters and warm summers. Inland climates have cold, dry winters and hot summers.

7

Polar

Months with temperatures of 10° C or higher. Too cold to support growth of trees and most vegetation