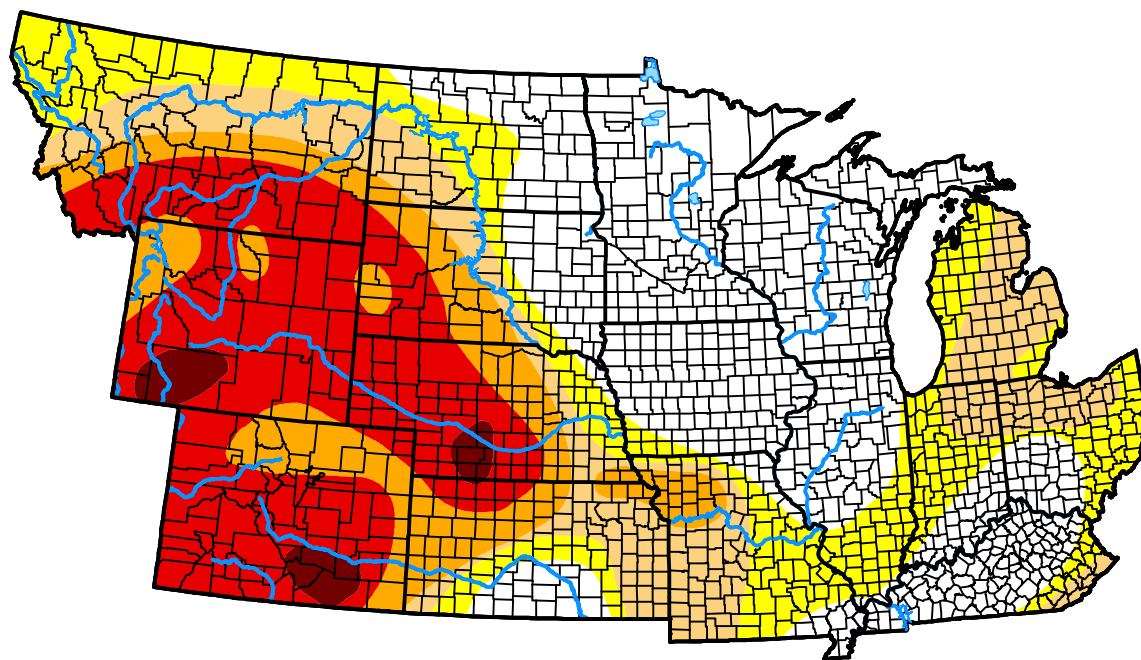


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	34.15	16.83	14.19	11.44	21.47	1.92
Last Week <i>10-08-2002</i>	33.53	19.46	13.67	11.11	20.34	1.88
3 Months Ago <i>07-16-2002</i>	41.29	16.70	8.35	13.66	15.11	4.88
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	56.84	17.86	9.32	7.36	8.62	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	32.21	20.54	12.59	10.16	19.43	5.06
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2001</i>	66.68	15.96	2.96	4.70	9.71	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate 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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