

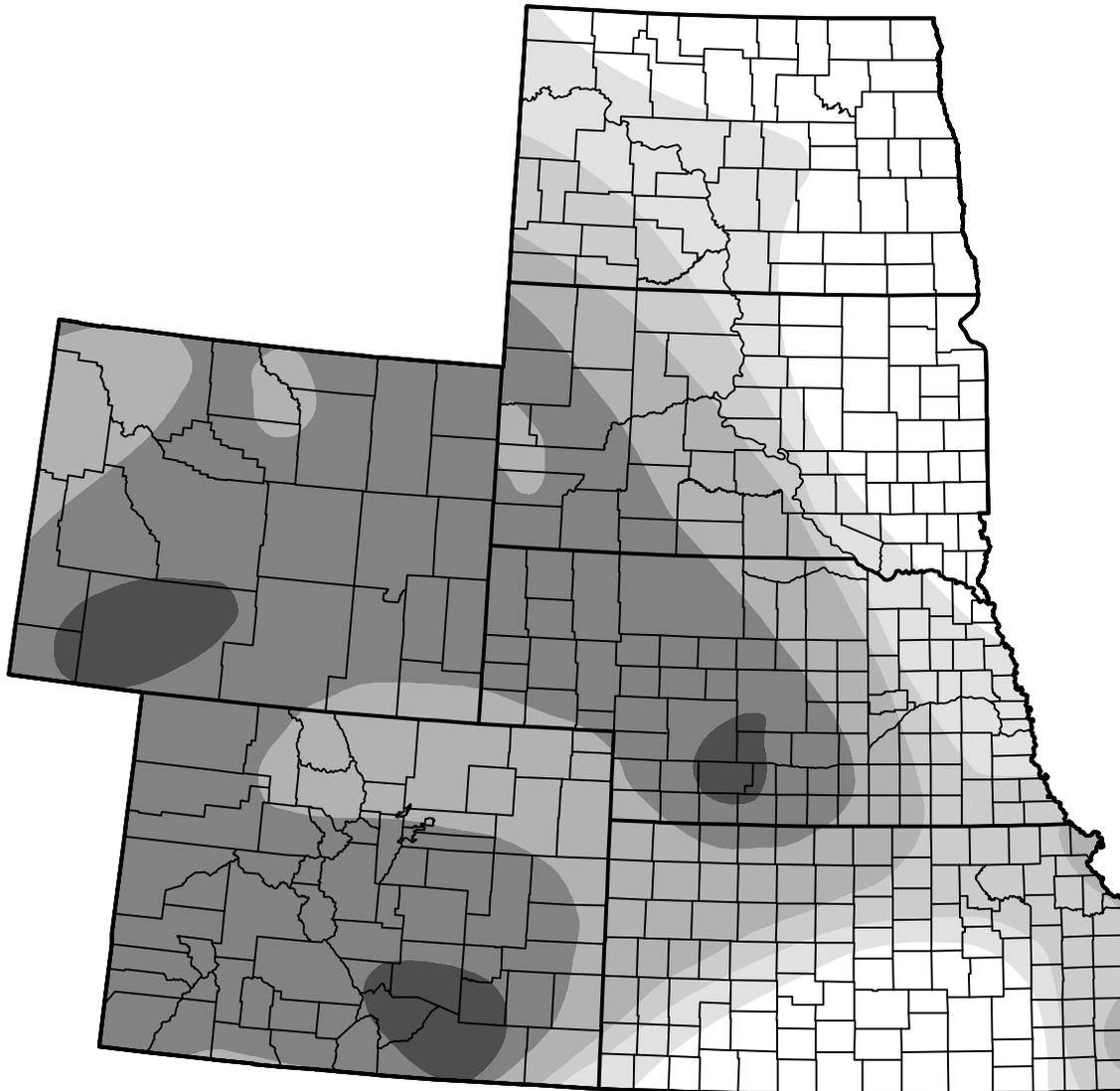
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

**December 3, 2002**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 5, 2002)  
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	17.88	82.12	71.60	62.42	42.23	3.93
<b>Last Week</b> <i>11-26-2002</i>	18.03	81.97	71.65	62.24	42.42	3.97
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-03-2002</i>	19.73	80.27	71.97	64.11	53.85	19.91
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	36.40	63.60	28.47	10.73	5.46	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	16.41	83.59	73.36	65.12	49.12	11.49
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-04-2001</i>	38.51	61.49	22.31	11.13	6.22	0.00



### Intensity:



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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