

U.S. Drought Monitor

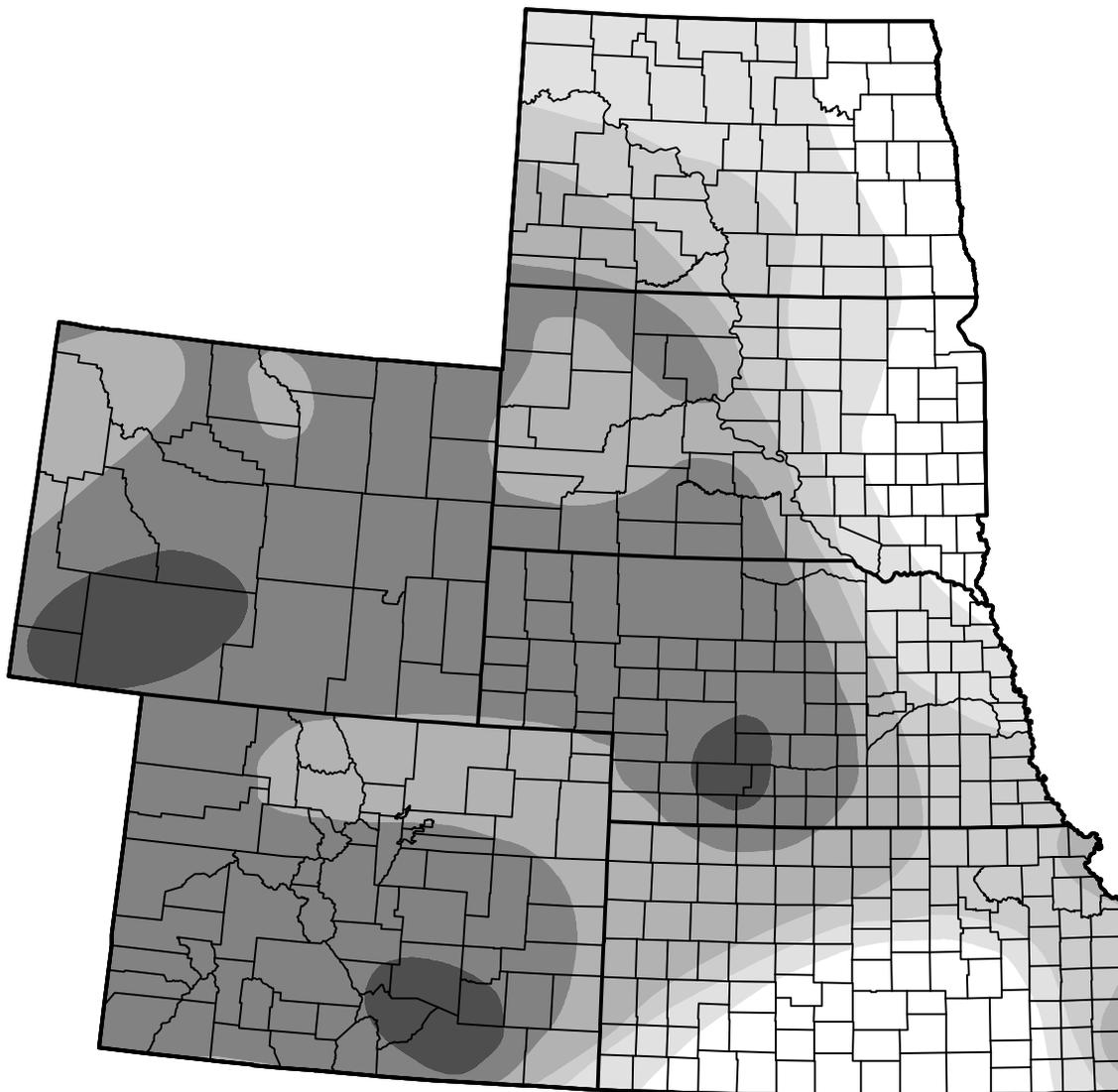
High Plains

December 24, 2002
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Current | 12.10 | 12.11 | 10.23 | 20.44 | 40.32 | 4.80 |
| Last Week <i>12-17-2002</i> | 11.89 | 11.63 | 10.72 | 20.42 | 40.59 | 4.75 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-24-2002</i> | 21.40 | 6.07 | 11.03 | 13.61 | 36.05 | 11.83 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i> | 36.40 | 35.13 | 17.74 | 5.26 | 5.46 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i> | 16.41 | 10.23 | 8.24 | 16.00 | 37.64 | 11.49 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-25-2001</i> | 38.30 | 34.78 | 16.12 | 5.35 | 5.46 | 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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