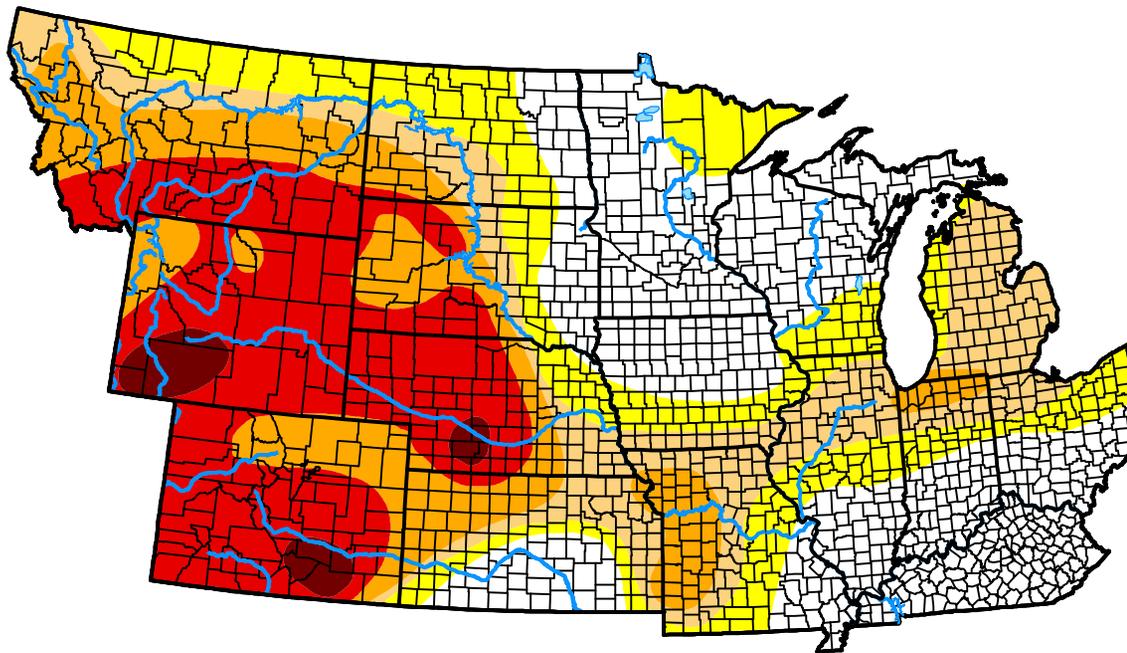


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	29.38	16.62	14.81	15.56	21.52	2.12
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	28.64	16.87	15.35	15.43	21.62	2.09
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-24-2002</i>	36.41	12.57	16.11	10.43	19.27	5.22
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	56.84	17.86	9.32	7.36	8.62	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	32.21	20.54	12.59	10.16	19.43	5.06
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-25-2001</i>	58.23	17.17	8.61	7.49	8.50	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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