

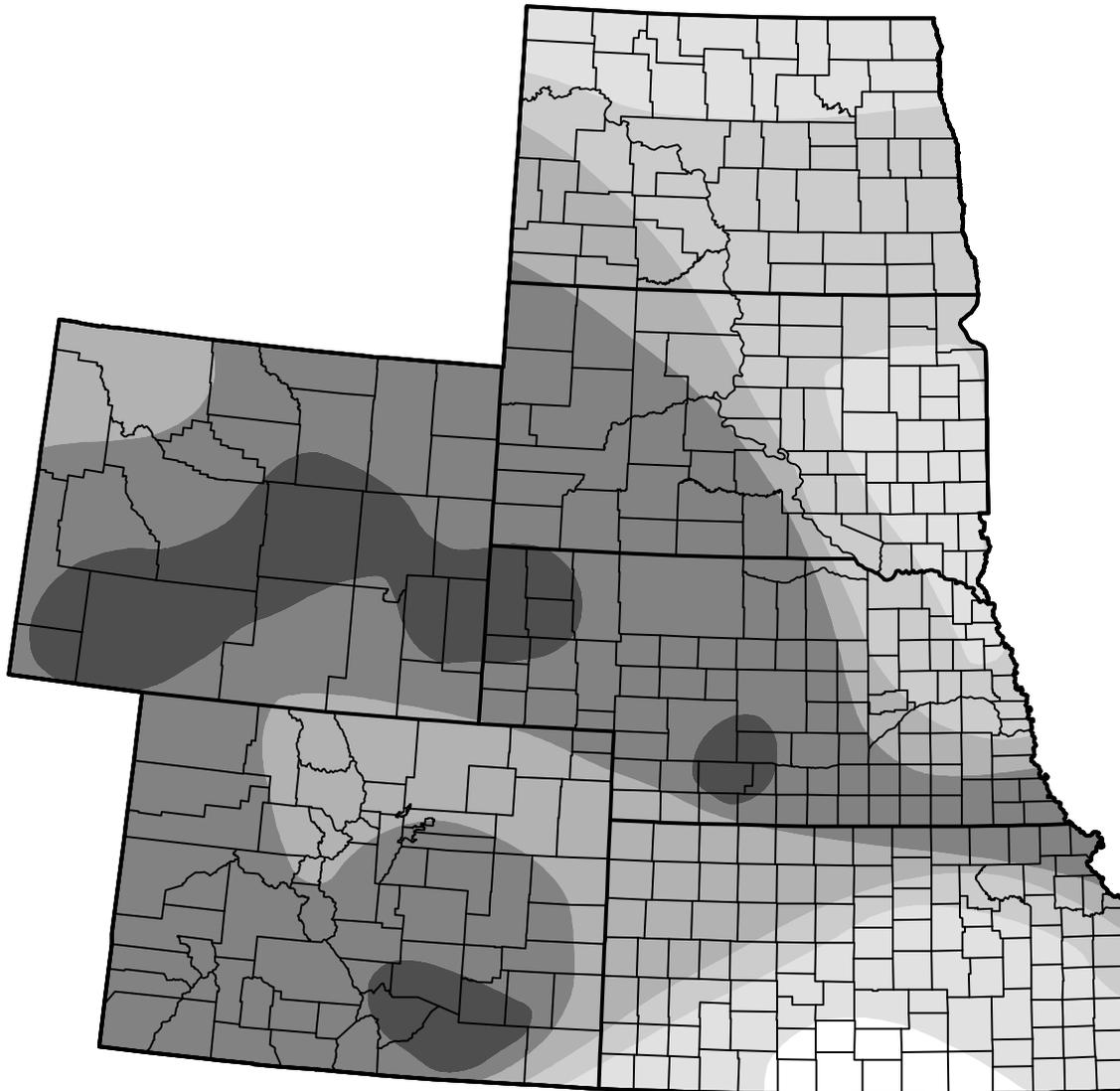
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

**March 18, 2003**  
 (Released Thursday, Mar. 20, 2003)  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	1.65	14.67	15.61	18.19	39.95	9.93
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-11-2003</i>	1.69	16.76	13.39	18.47	39.79	9.90
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	11.89	11.63	10.72	20.42	40.59	4.75
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	11.41	11.95	9.99	20.96	40.89	4.79
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	16.41	10.23	8.24	16.00	37.64	11.49
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-19-2002</i>	9.96	42.70	21.18	20.63	5.54	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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