

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

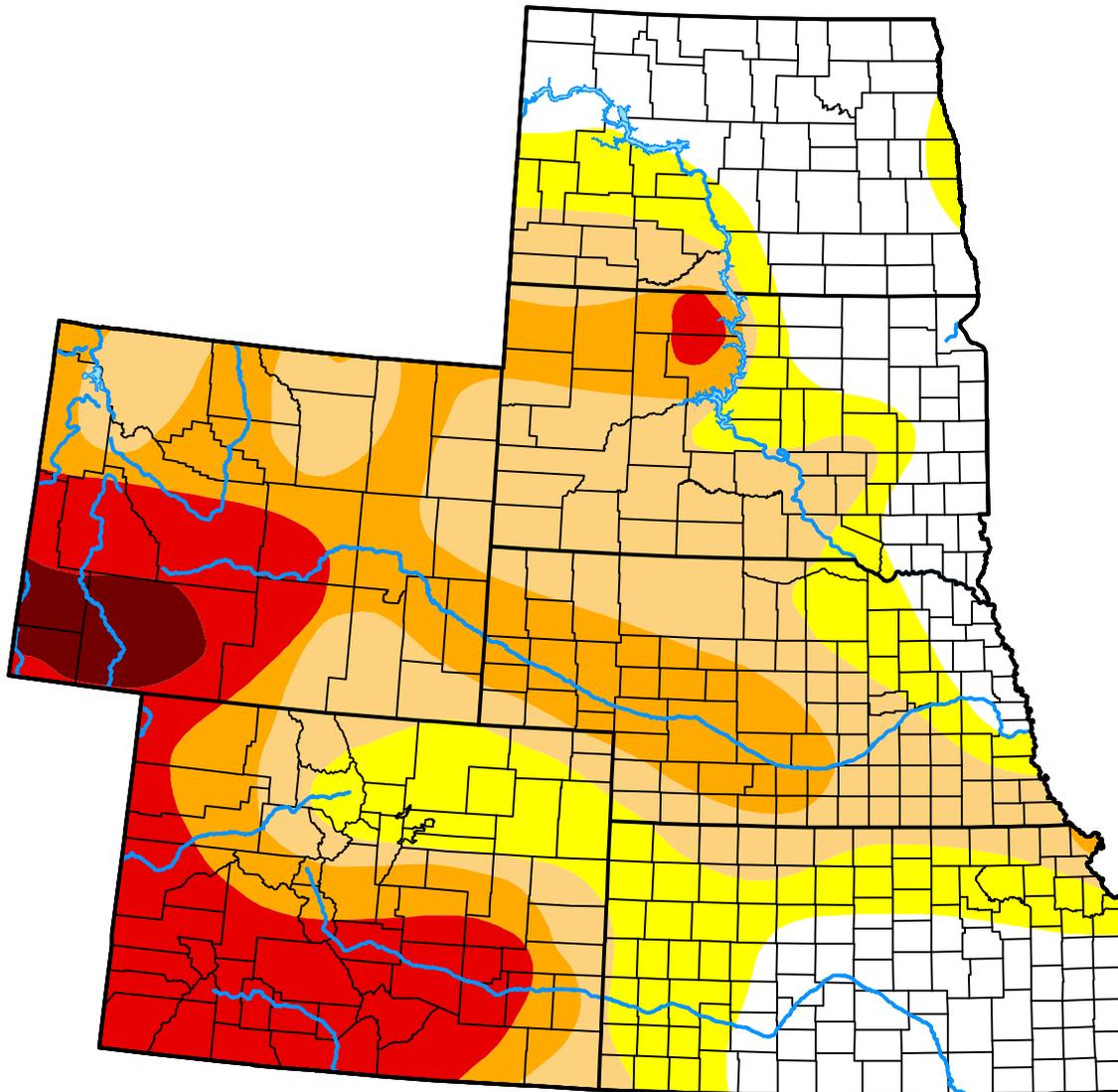
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	22.63	77.37	60.32	34.31	15.93	2.13
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-13-2003</i>	18.52	81.48	67.46	36.00	17.96	2.18
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-18-2003</i>	3.68	96.32	76.64	67.21	50.87	9.12
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	11.41	88.59	76.64	66.65	45.68	4.79
<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>05-21-2002</i>	21.00	79.00	56.12	45.88	31.34	0.00



**Intensity:**

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