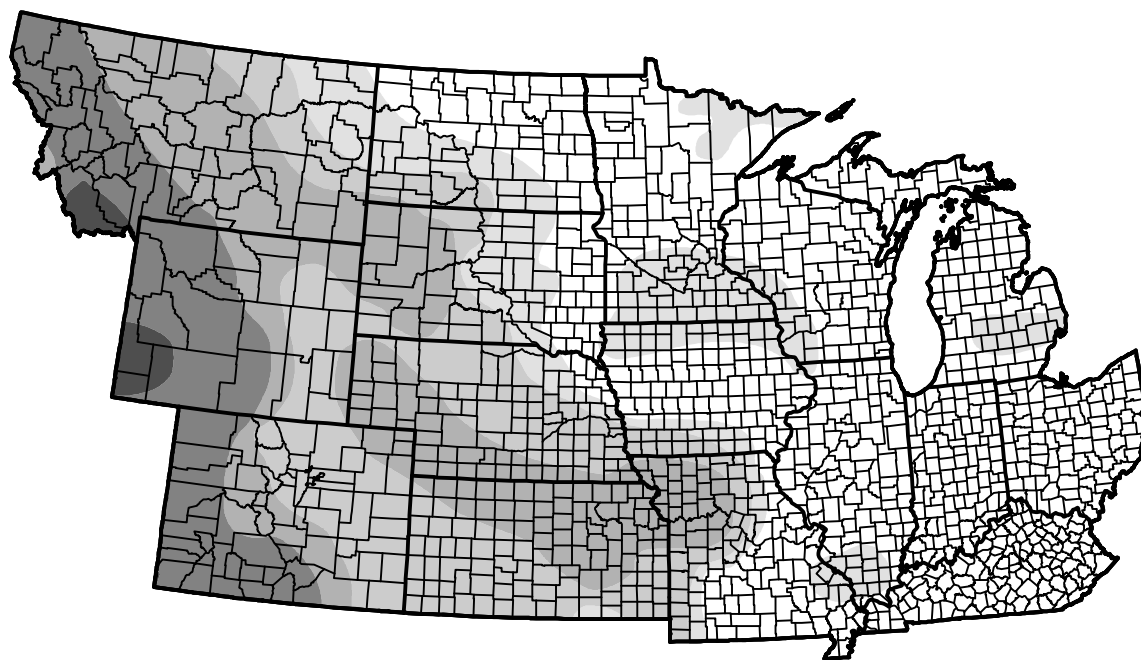


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 39.22 | 60.78 | 48.63 | 31.29 | 12.18 | 1.16  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>07-29-2003</i>              | 42.10 | 57.90 | 47.25 | 29.97 | 11.91 | 1.25  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-06-2003</i>           | 30.08 | 69.92 | 52.82 | 28.62 | 10.84 | 0.68  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 27.11 | 72.89 | 55.54 | 40.04 | 25.07 | 2.11  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 32.21 | 67.79 | 47.24 | 34.65 | 24.49 | 5.06  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-06-2002</i>           | 28.65 | 71.35 | 51.63 | 40.31 | 31.51 | 10.41 |

## Intensity:

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