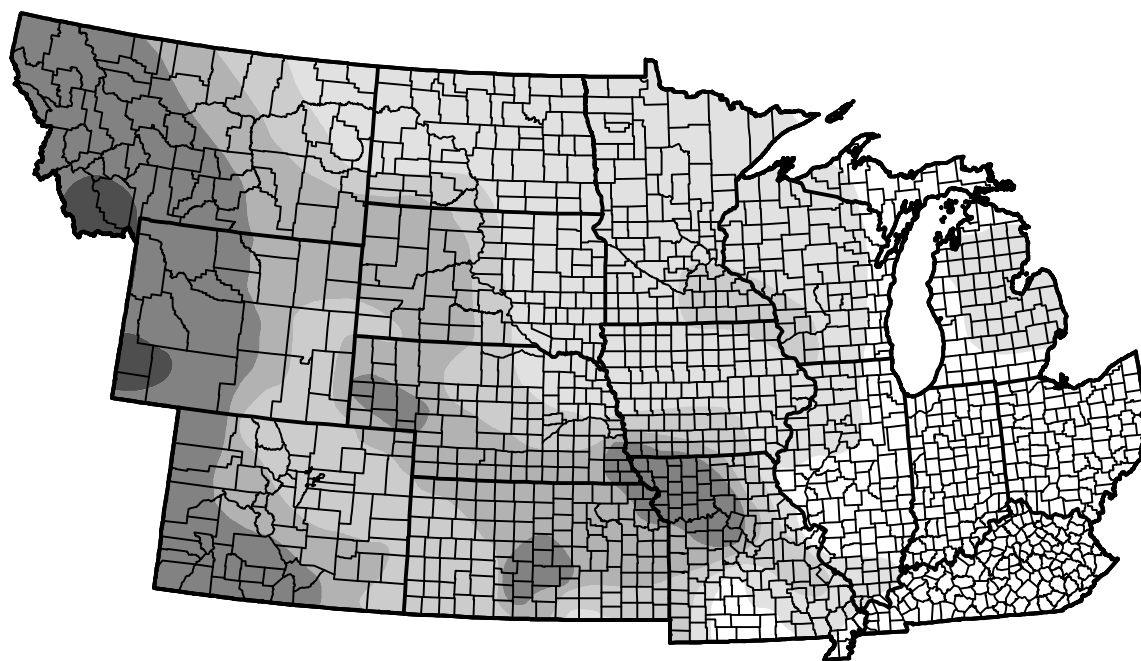


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	17.71	82.29	52.73	36.18	17.78	1.27
Last Week <i>08-12-2003</i>	34.12	65.88	50.60	34.84	12.99	1.17
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2003</i>	48.12	51.88	38.39	21.28	7.30	0.94
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	27.11	72.89	55.54	40.04	25.07	2.11
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	32.21	67.79	47.24	34.65	24.49	5.06
One Year Ago <i>08-20-2002</i>	38.60	61.40	47.72	35.69	29.81	10.32

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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