

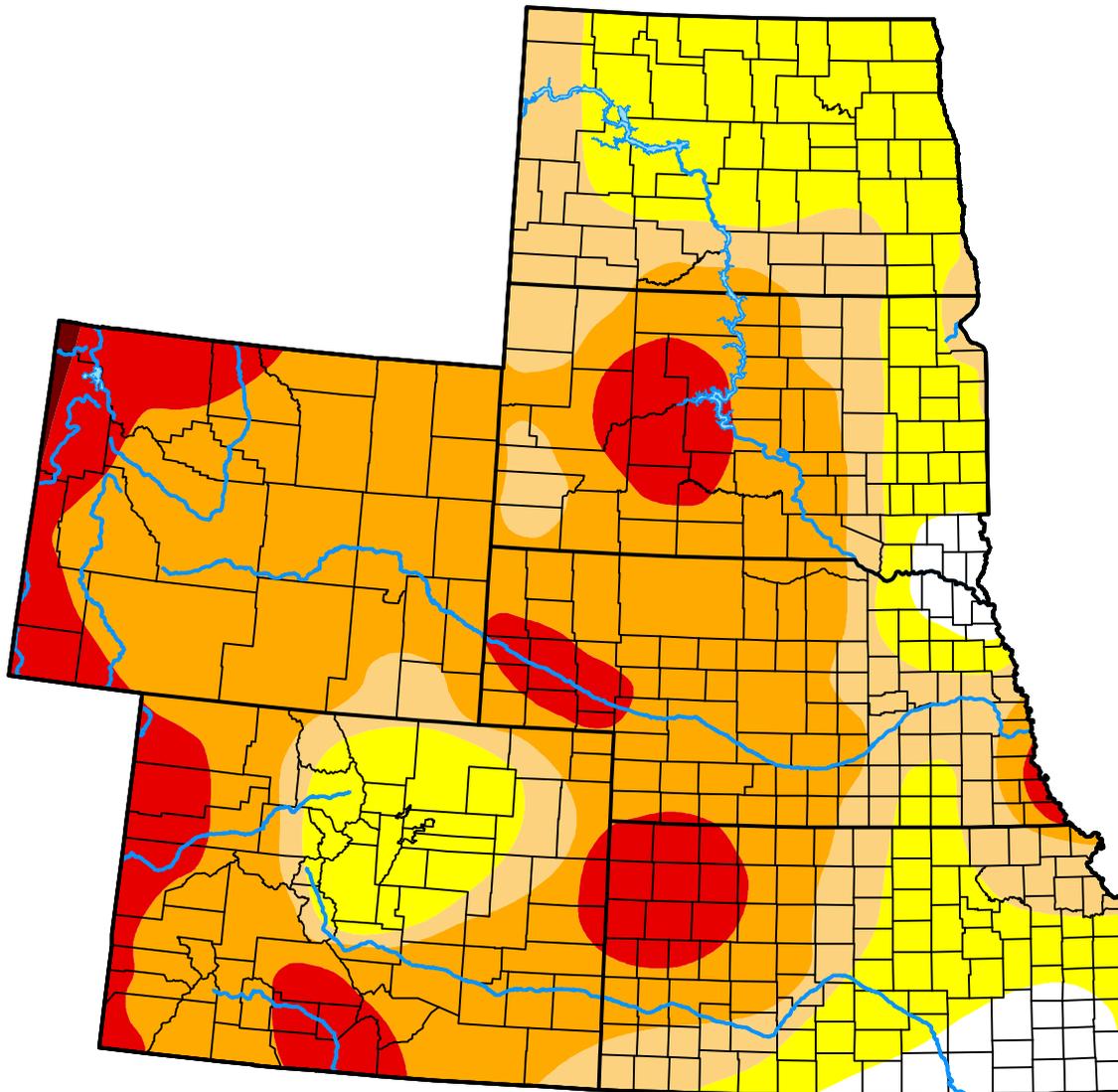
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

**October 21, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	3.46	22.08	17.64	43.75	12.86	0.21
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-14-2003</i>	3.45	21.28	18.39	43.42	13.19	0.27
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-22-2003</i>	18.41	12.89	32.37	18.68	16.09	1.56
<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>09-30-2003</i>	1.95	20.54	26.51	40.16	10.52	0.32
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-22-2002</i>	15.19	9.50	10.65	19.59	40.78	4.30



**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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