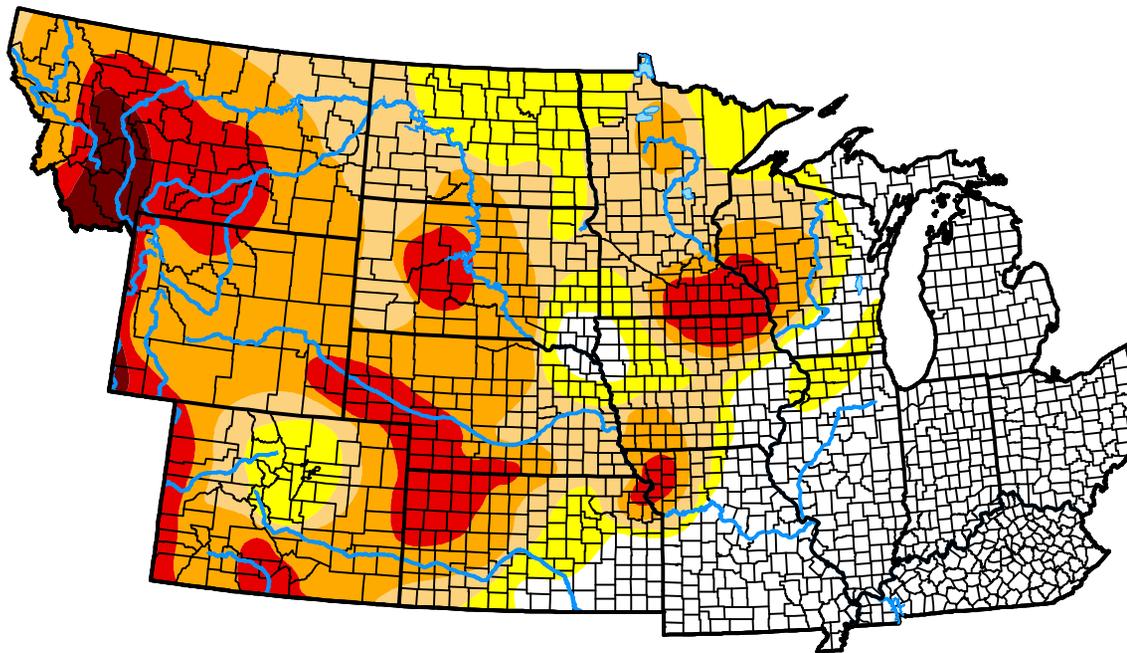


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	29.05	70.95	58.66	40.65	14.27	1.95
Last Week <i>12-09-2003</i>	26.46	73.54	59.33	40.24	13.88	1.92
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2003</i>	19.35	80.65	65.12	41.15	14.09	2.14
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>09-30-2003</i>	19.87	80.13	63.70	39.18	13.51	1.77
One Year Ago <i>12-17-2002</i>	28.64	71.36	54.49	39.15	23.71	2.09



Intensity:



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