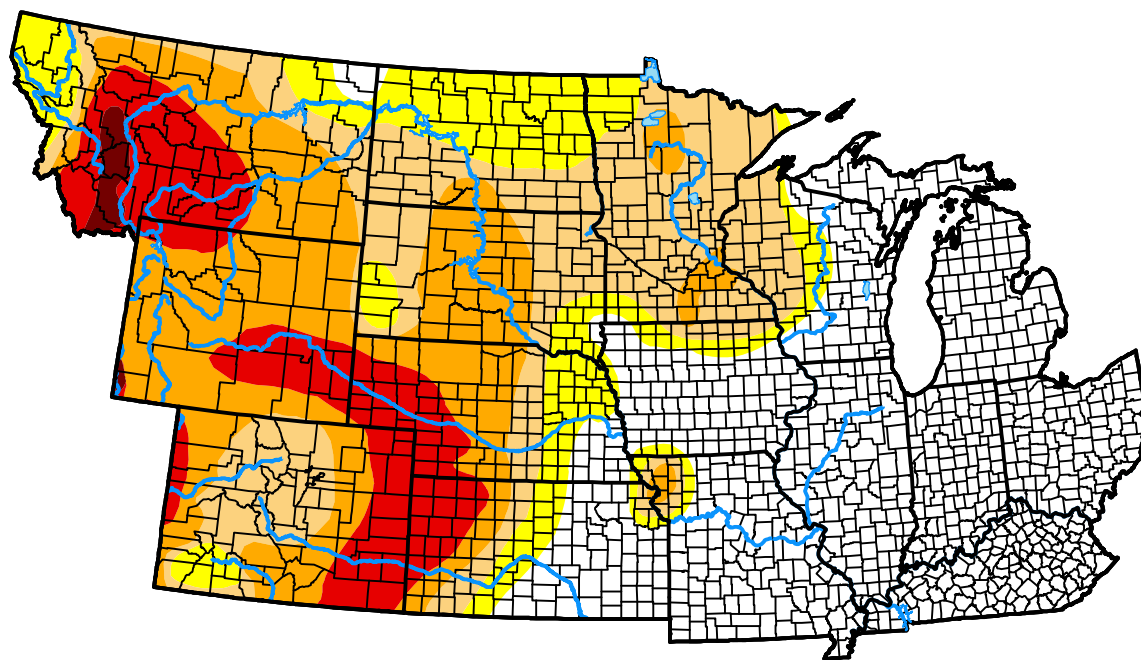


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	36.56	11.57	19.59	20.43	11.14	0.72
Last Week <i>03-16-2004</i>	36.56	13.28	18.17	20.62	10.66	0.72
3 Months Ago <i>12-23-2003</i>	28.52	13.23	18.42	25.92	12.04	1.87
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	29.11	14.43	16.31	25.84	12.50	1.80
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	19.87	16.43	24.52	25.67	11.74	1.77
One Year Ago <i>03-25-2003</i>	14.79	11.22	28.90	21.17	20.77	3.15

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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