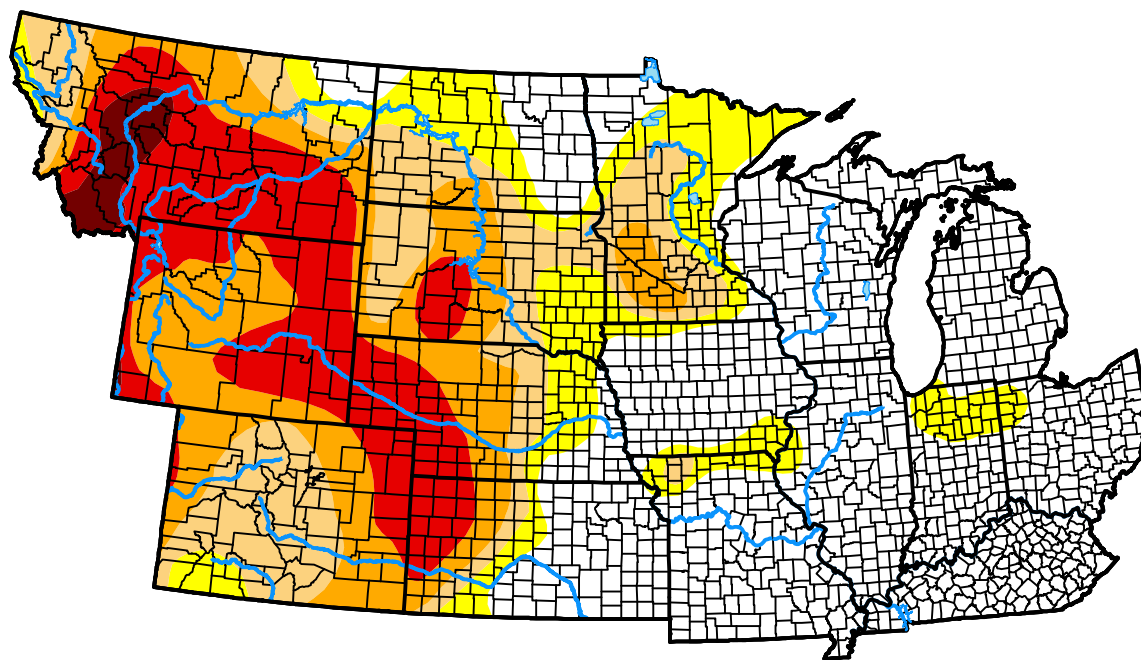


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.25	12.25	13.72	15.35	14.82	1.62
Last Week <i>05-11-2004</i>	36.18	13.78	14.30	18.79	15.34	1.62
3 Months Ago <i>02-17-2004</i>	30.28	16.33	17.17	23.82	11.56	0.84
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>05-20-2003</i>	48.12	13.49	17.11	13.98	6.36	0.94

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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