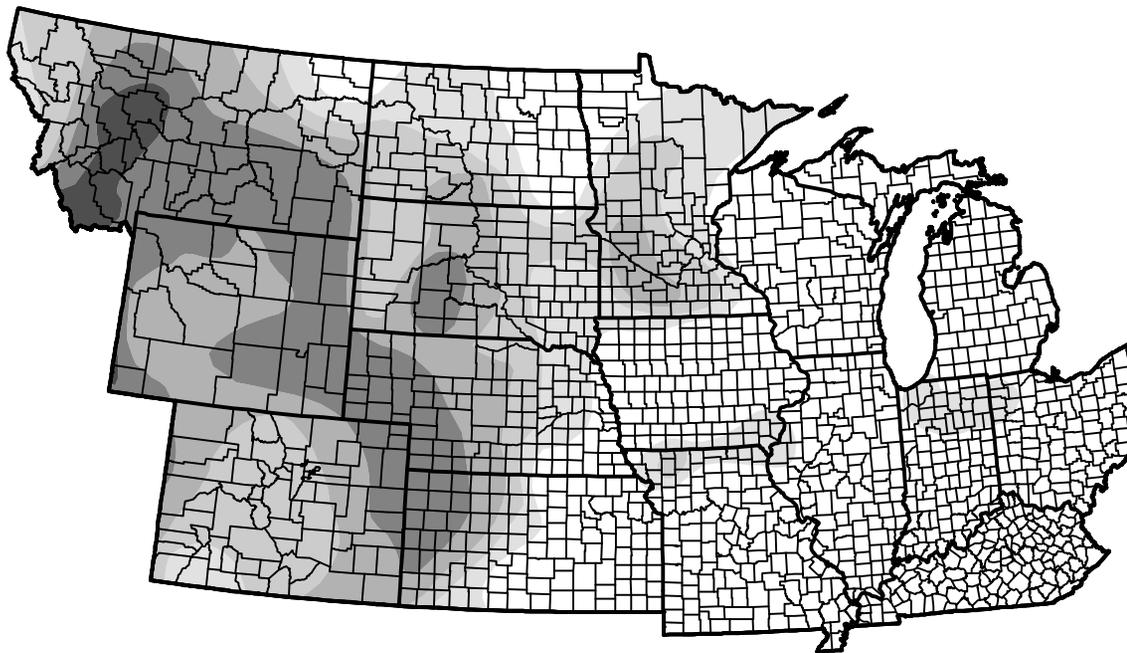


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	42.25	57.75	45.50	31.78	16.44	1.62
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-11-2004</i>	36.18	63.82	50.04	35.74	16.96	1.62
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-17-2004</i>	30.28	69.72	53.39	36.21	12.40	0.84
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2003</i>	29.11	70.89	56.46	40.14	14.30	1.80
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	19.87	80.13	63.70	39.18	13.51	1.77
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-20-2003</i>	48.12	51.88	38.39	21.28	7.30	0.94



### Intensity:



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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