

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 25.75 | 22.57 | 21.38 | 20.81 | 7.98  | 1.51 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-07-2004</i>              | 32.65 | 15.60 | 21.28 | 21.00 | 8.11  | 1.38 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-15-2004</i>           | 24.48 | 8.67  | 17.78 | 24.26 | 21.86 | 2.95 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2003</i> | 4.23  | 20.34 | 18.08 | 40.91 | 16.16 | 0.28 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2003</i>    | 1.95  | 20.54 | 26.51 | 40.16 | 10.52 | 0.32 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-16-2003</i>           | 2.25  | 20.41 | 25.25 | 40.86 | 10.89 | 0.34 |

### 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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