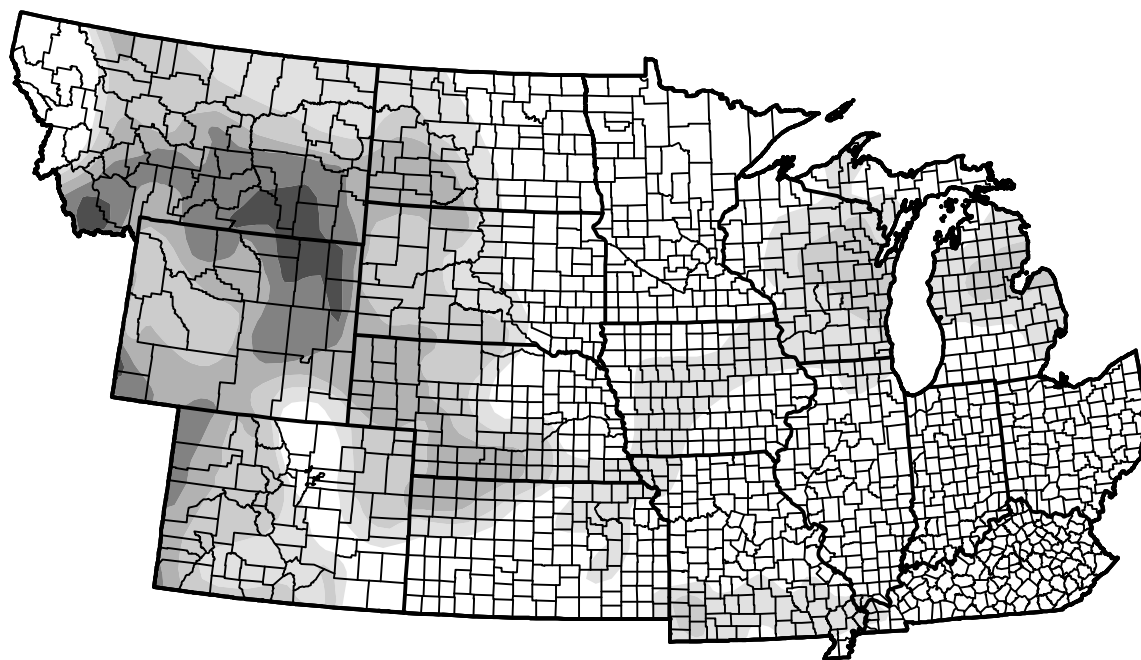


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	48.53	51.47	32.44	17.72	7.13	1.56
Last Week <i>10-19-2004</i>	46.97	53.03	32.87	17.75	7.24	1.58
3 Months Ago <i>07-27-2004</i>	55.09	44.91	34.85	24.51	10.44	2.40
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	29.11	70.89	56.46	40.14	14.30	1.80
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	50.74	49.26	31.13	19.50	8.04	1.66
One Year Ago <i>10-28-2003</i>	22.04	77.96	62.52	43.08	15.86	1.71

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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