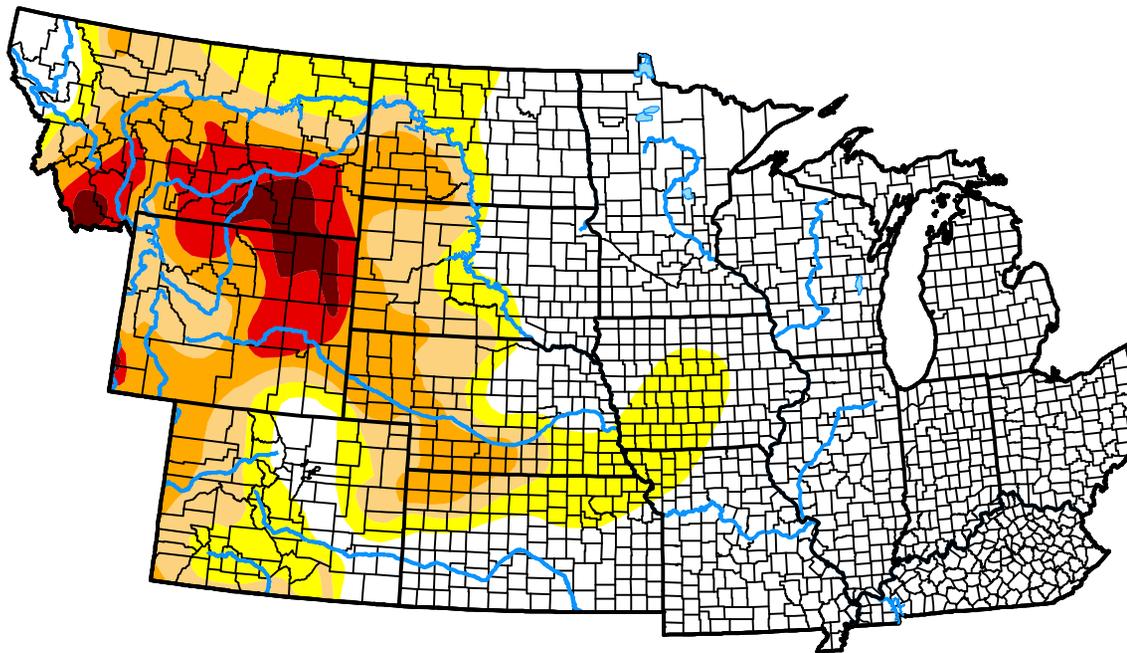


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 56.53 | 43.47 | 29.92 | 17.84 | 6.54 | 1.62 |
| Last Week <i>12-14-2004</i> | 58.94 | 41.06 | 29.26 | 16.52 | 6.18 | 1.56 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2004</i> | 55.15 | 44.85 | 31.25 | 19.94 | 8.08 | 1.66 |
| 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>12-23-2003</i> | 28.52 | 71.48 | 58.25 | 39.83 | 13.91 | 1.87 |



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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