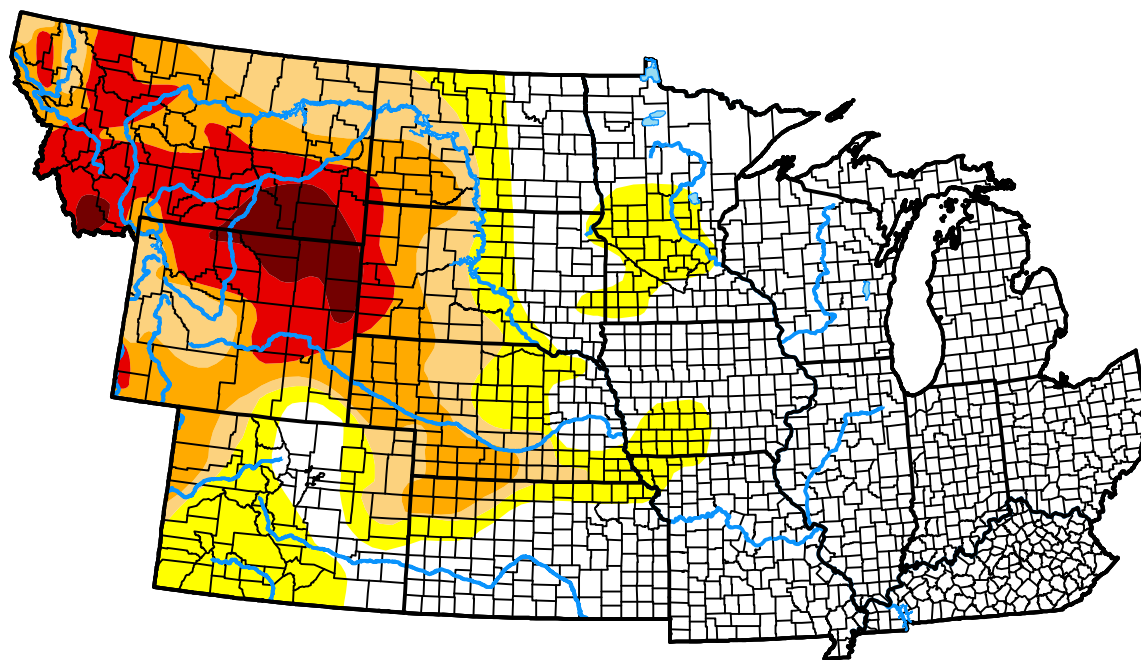


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	53.24	13.94	10.37	11.64	8.35	2.46
Last Week <i>02-08-2005</i>	52.36	16.50	9.39	11.74	7.55	2.46
3 Months Ago <i>11-16-2004</i>	53.89	15.40	13.42	10.20	5.52	1.56
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	53.66	16.43	11.71	11.31	5.27	1.62
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	50.74	18.13	11.63	11.46	6.38	1.66
One Year Ago <i>02-17-2004</i>	30.28	16.33	17.17	23.82	11.56	0.84

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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