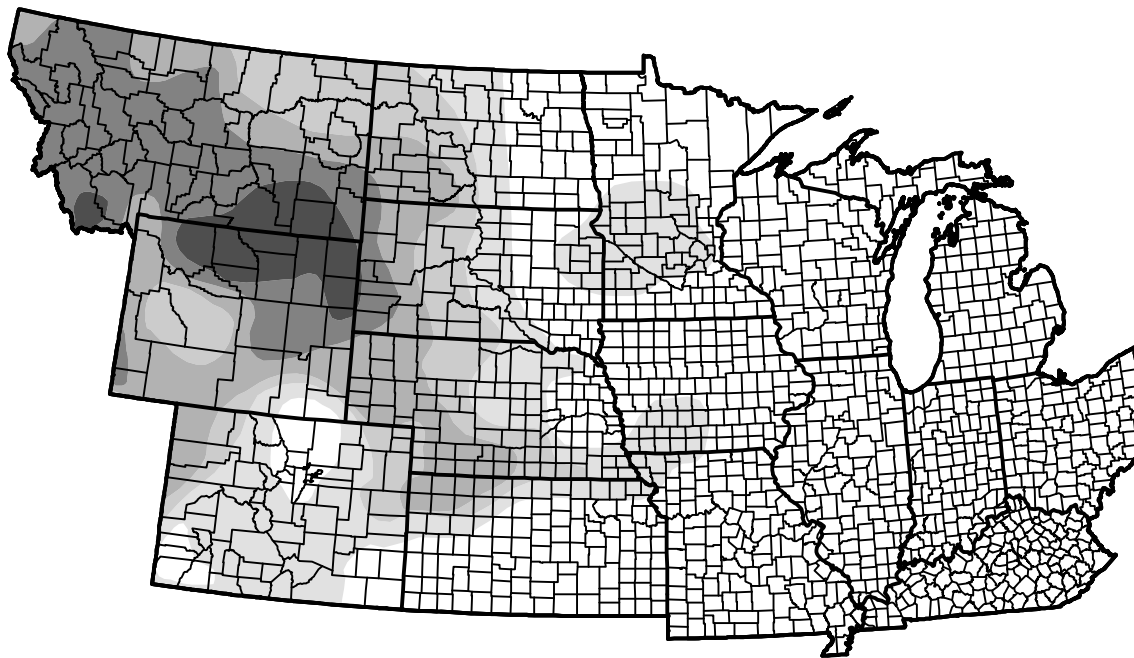


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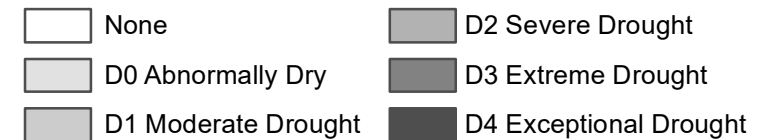
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 52.72 | 47.28 | 32.81 | 23.77 | 13.13 | 3.21 |
| Last Week <i>03-08-2005</i> | 52.72 | 47.28 | 32.81 | 23.77 | 11.17 | 3.21 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>12-14-2004</i> | 58.94 | 41.06 | 29.26 | 16.52 | 6.18 | 1.56 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i> | 53.66 | 46.34 | 29.92 | 18.21 | 6.90 | 1.62 |
| 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>03-16-2004</i> | 36.56 | 63.44 | 50.17 | 32.00 | 11.38 | 0.72 |



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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