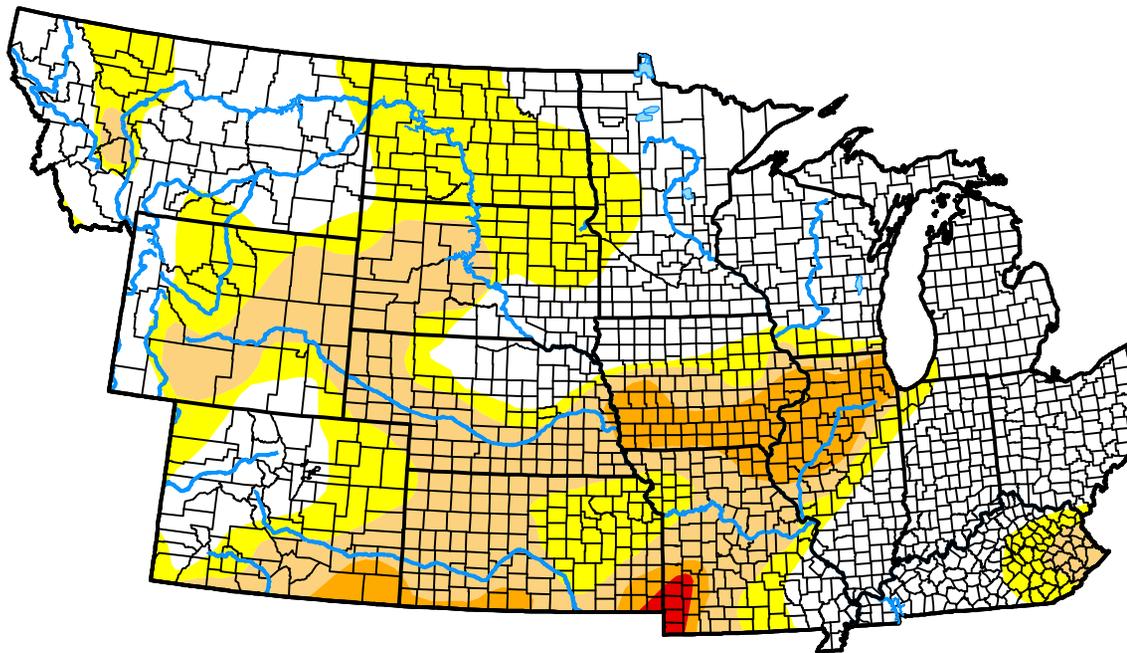


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	48.00	52.00	27.31	5.96	0.37	0.00
Last Week <i>03-14-2006</i>	54.00	46.00	28.47	7.03	0.38	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-20-2005</i>	53.90	46.10	21.05	5.03	1.48	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	54.22	45.78	20.37	4.24	1.30	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	44.17	55.83	29.64	9.94	0.96	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-22-2005</i>	52.84	47.16	32.81	23.77	13.13	3.21



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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