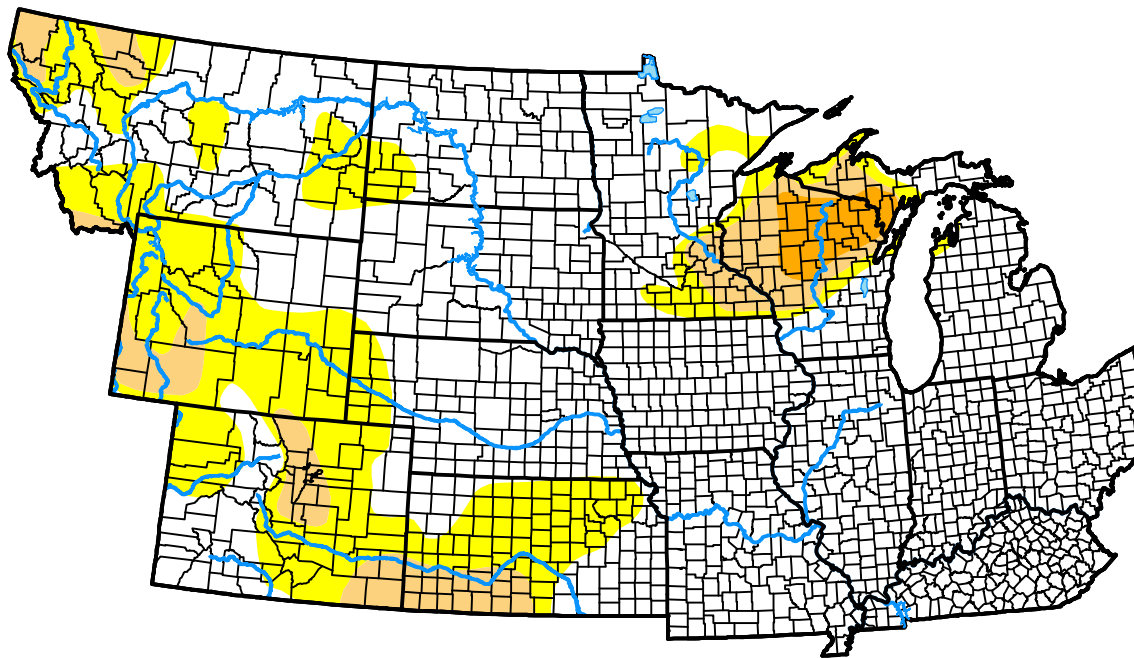


U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| Current | 70.30 | 21.03 | 7.13 | 1.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>02-24-2009</i> | 73.11 | 18.82 | 6.37 | 1.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>12-02-2008</i> | 61.11 | 26.01 | 9.91 | 2.39 | 0.58 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i> | 65.73 | 23.61 | 8.79 | 1.86 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i> | 57.05 | 26.50 | 12.91 | 2.68 | 0.85 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>03-04-2008</i> | 57.99 | 22.08 | 12.56 | 6.89 | 0.47 | 0.00 |



Intensity:

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 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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