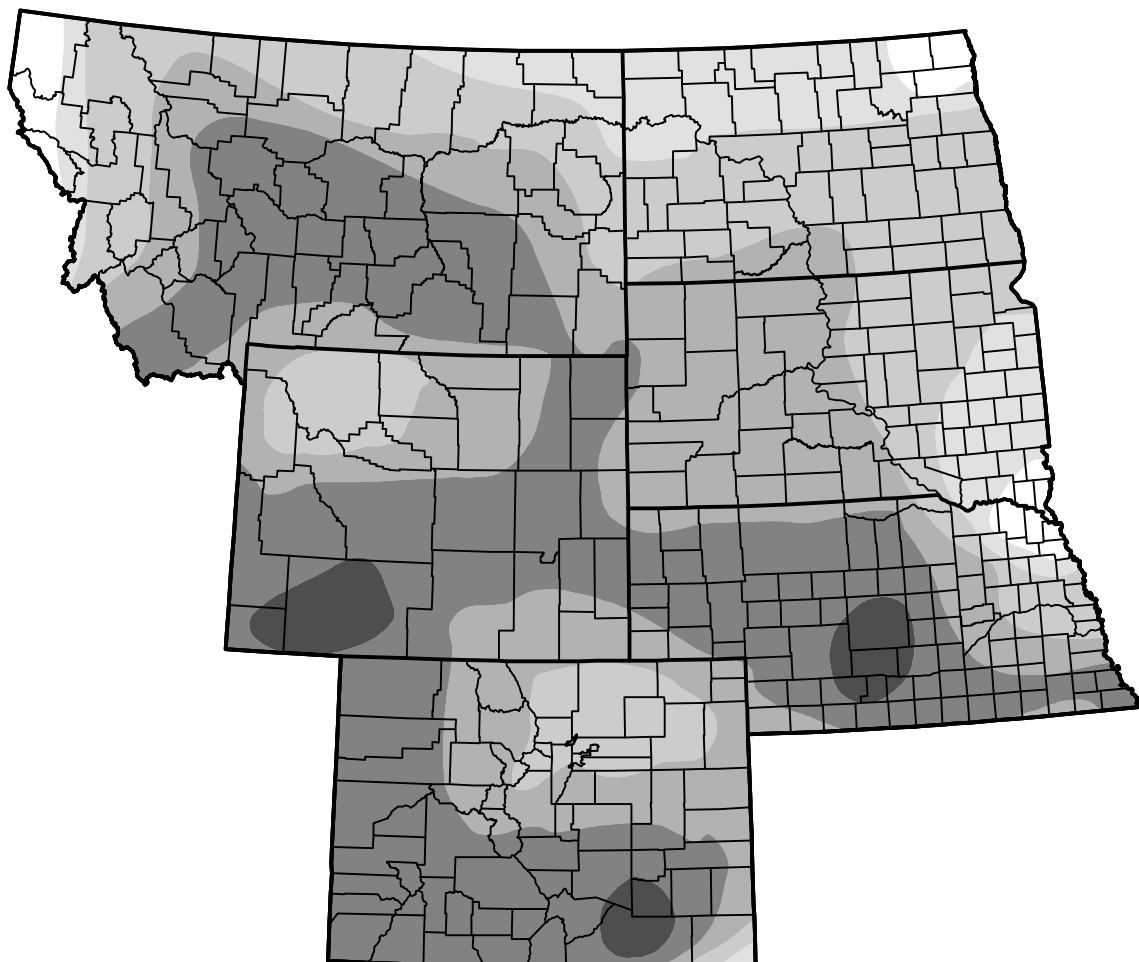


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**April 1, 2003**  
*(Released Thursday, Apr. 3, 2003)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 2.18  | 8.40  | 22.71 | 29.13 | 34.53 | 3.05 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-25-2003</i>              | 0.83  | 9.57  | 19.26 | 24.90 | 39.10 | 6.34 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i>           | 5.32  | 11.53 | 11.95 | 22.22 | 44.73 | 4.25 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 5.32  | 11.53 | 11.95 | 22.22 | 44.73 | 4.25 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 14.70 | 14.42 | 11.03 | 13.66 | 36.71 | 9.48 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-02-2002</i>           | 1.67  | 33.43 | 23.29 | 26.88 | 14.73 | 0.00 |

**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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