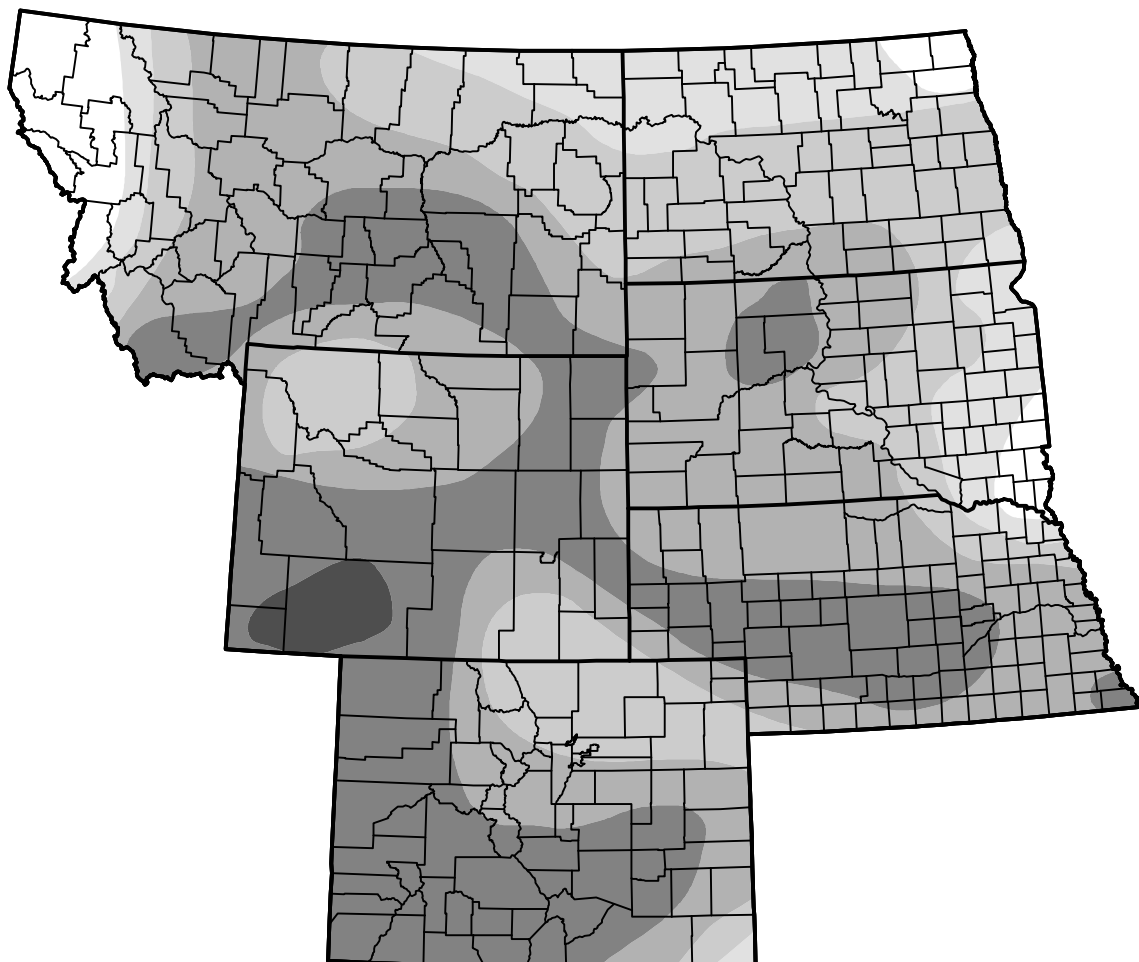


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



April 29, 2003

(Released Thursday, May. 1, 2003)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.10	95.90	87.00	65.35	31.06	1.38
Last Week <i>04-22-2003</i>	4.32	95.68	85.69	63.93	33.28	1.37
3 Months Ago <i>01-28-2003</i>	0.00	100.00	85.88	74.96	56.24	10.22
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	5.32	94.68	83.14	71.20	48.98	4.25
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	14.70	85.30	70.88	59.85	46.19	9.48
One Year Ago <i>04-30-2002</i>	2.10	97.90	71.74	55.68	31.68	1.46

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>

Author:

Michael Hayes
National Drought Mitigation Center



droughtmonitor.unl.edu