

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Missouri River Basin RDEWS

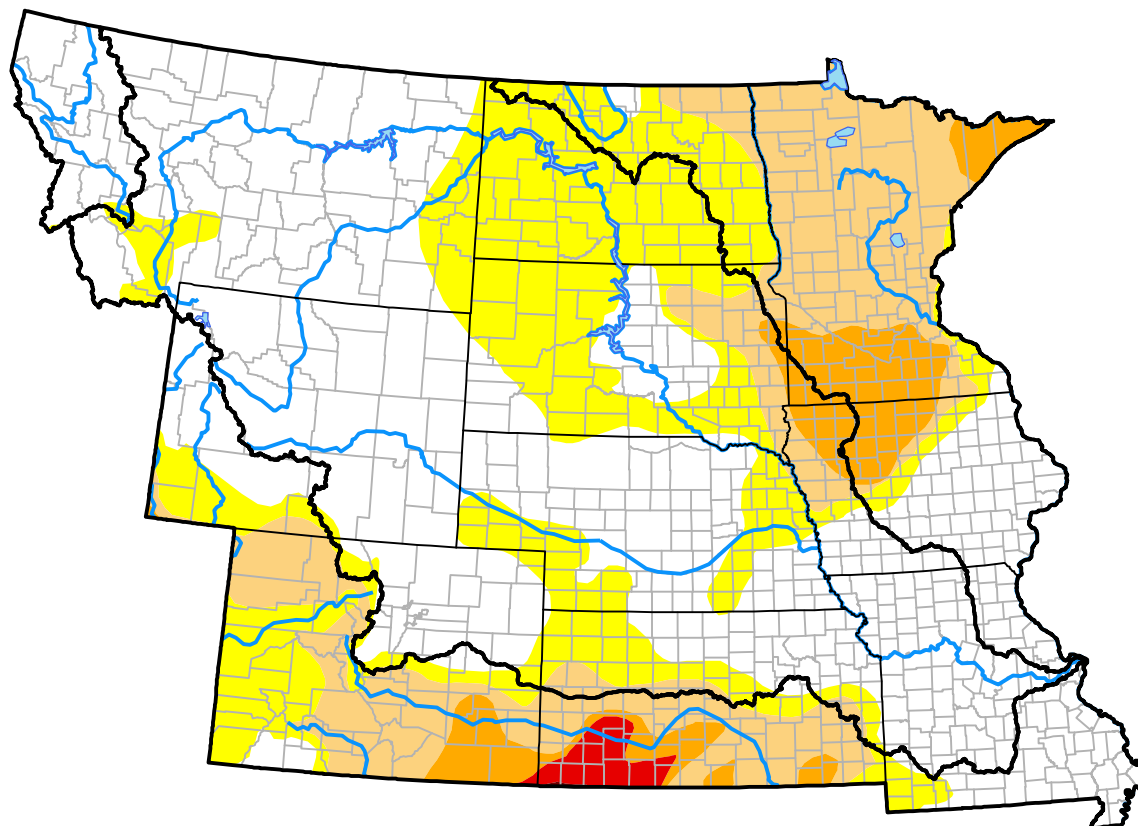
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 66.53 | 33.47 | 5.12  | 1.38  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>03-08-2012              | 70.42 | 29.58 | 4.66  | 1.38  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>12-15-2011           | 73.90 | 26.10 | 7.17  | 2.44  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-05-2012 | 74.43 | 25.57 | 6.50  | 1.97  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2011    | 71.66 | 28.34 | 4.59  | 0.25  | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>03-17-2011           | 79.67 | 20.33 | 6.50  | 2.72  | 0.00  | 0.00 |



### 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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