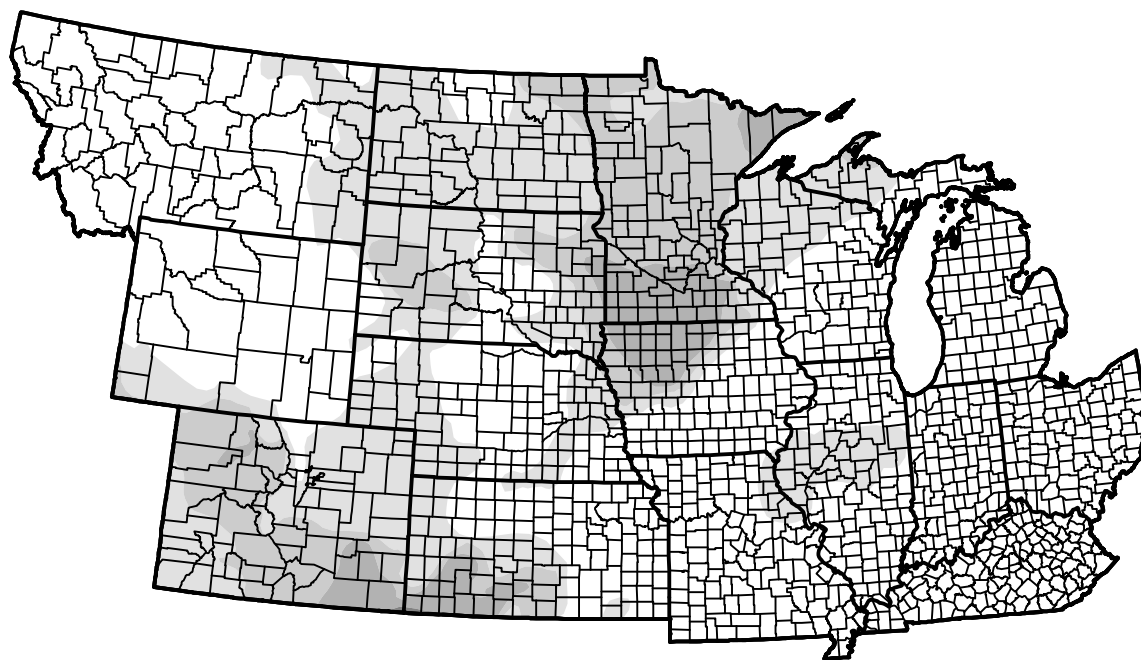


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 57.78 | 25.24 | 12.48 | 4.46 | 0.04 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>03-20-2012              | 61.83 | 20.61 | 12.77 | 4.16 | 0.62 | 0.02 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>12-27-2011           | 70.14 | 16.07 | 7.67  | 5.21 | 0.90 | 0.02 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 68.31 | 17.88 | 8.08  | 4.81 | 0.90 | 0.02 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 62.90 | 23.36 | 6.29  | 4.70 | 1.44 | 1.31 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>03-29-2011           | 79.12 | 11.09 | 5.13  | 4.66 | 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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