

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Missouri River Basin RDEWS

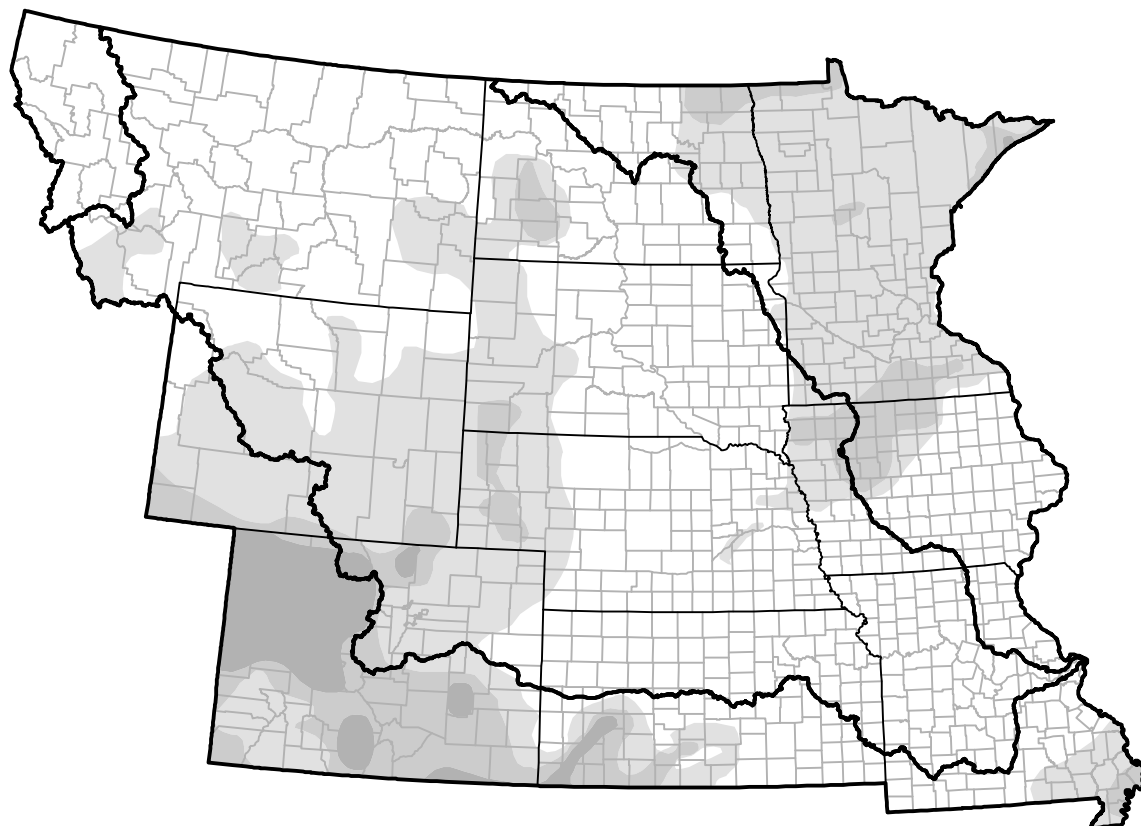
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 70.63 | 29.37 | 4.14  | 0.37  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-03-2012</i>              | 65.74 | 34.26 | 8.52  | 1.39  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-09-2012</i>           | 71.19 | 28.81 | 5.71  | 1.80  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 74.43 | 25.57 | 6.50  | 1.97  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 71.66 | 28.34 | 4.59  | 0.25  | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-12-2011</i>           | 81.34 | 18.66 | 9.84  | 3.25  | 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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