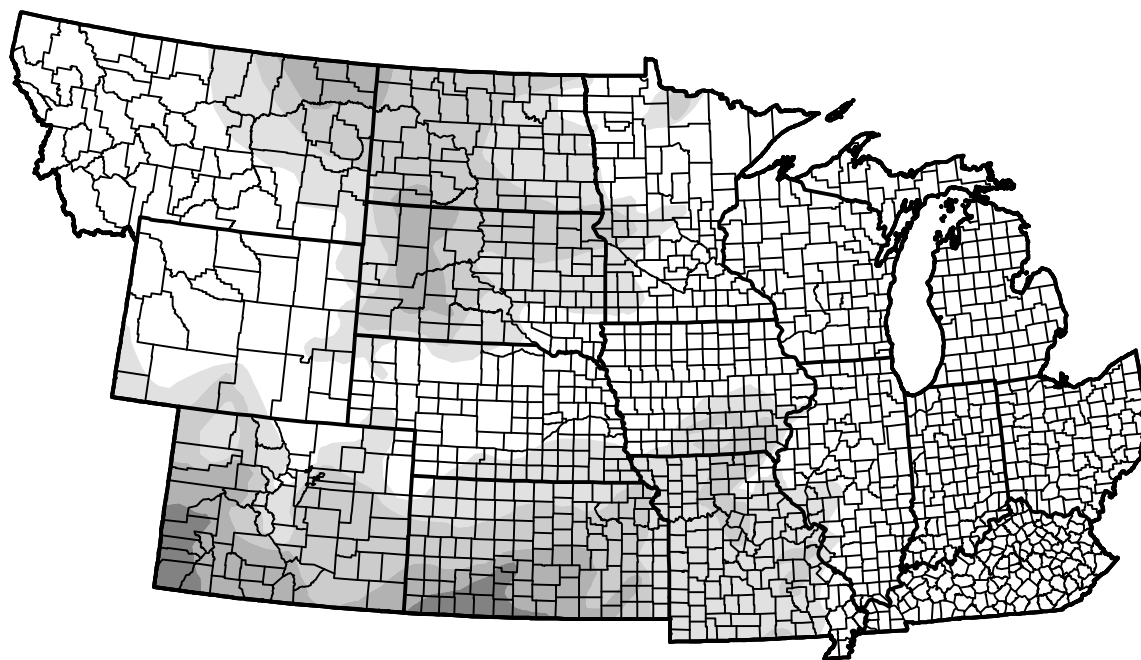


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 56.80 | 43.20 | 23.28 | 7.59  | 1.36  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-20-2018</i>              | 51.50 | 48.50 | 28.22 | 9.12  | 1.67  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-28-2017</i>           | 64.94 | 35.06 | 18.63 | 6.40  | 1.96  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2018</i> | 44.74 | 55.26 | 22.30 | 7.69  | 2.03  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2017</i>    | 50.80 | 49.20 | 24.09 | 12.89 | 6.13  | 2.26 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-28-2017</i>           | 71.43 | 28.57 | 12.70 | 0.62  | 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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