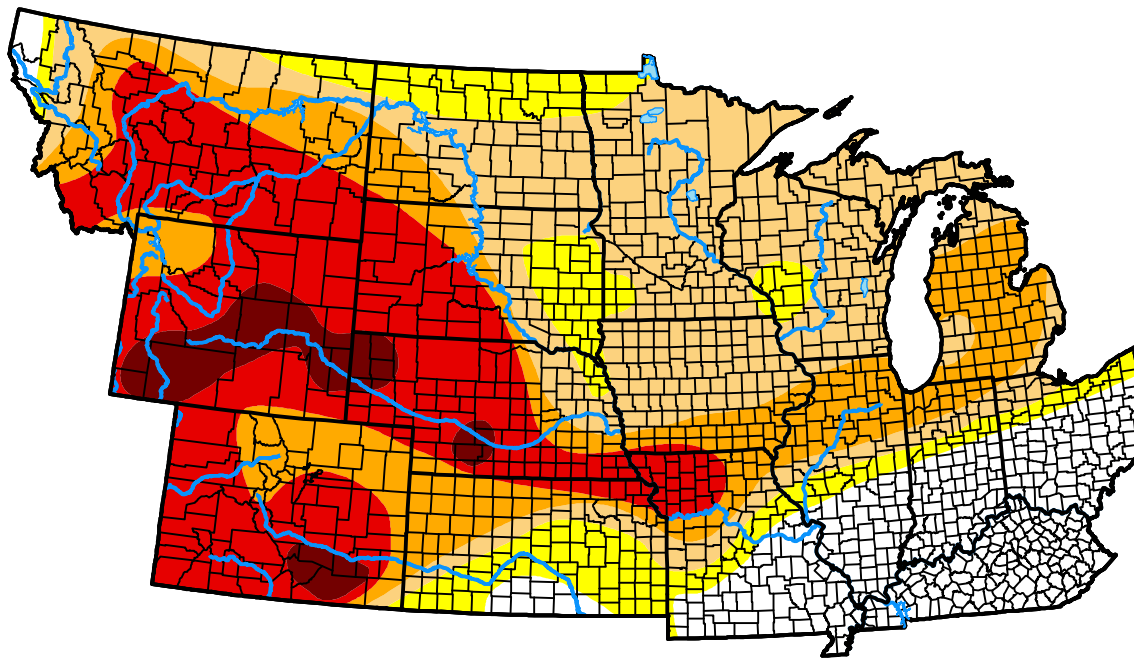


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	13.99	10.78	27.90	18.35	24.61	4.38
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-11-2003</i>	12.86	21.86	17.74	18.64	24.53	4.36
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	28.64	16.87	15.35	15.43	21.62	2.09
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	27.11	17.35	15.50	14.97	22.96	2.11
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	32.21	20.54	12.59	10.16	19.43	5.06
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-19-2002</i>	39.28	28.66	11.48	12.71	7.86	0.00



### Intensity:



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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