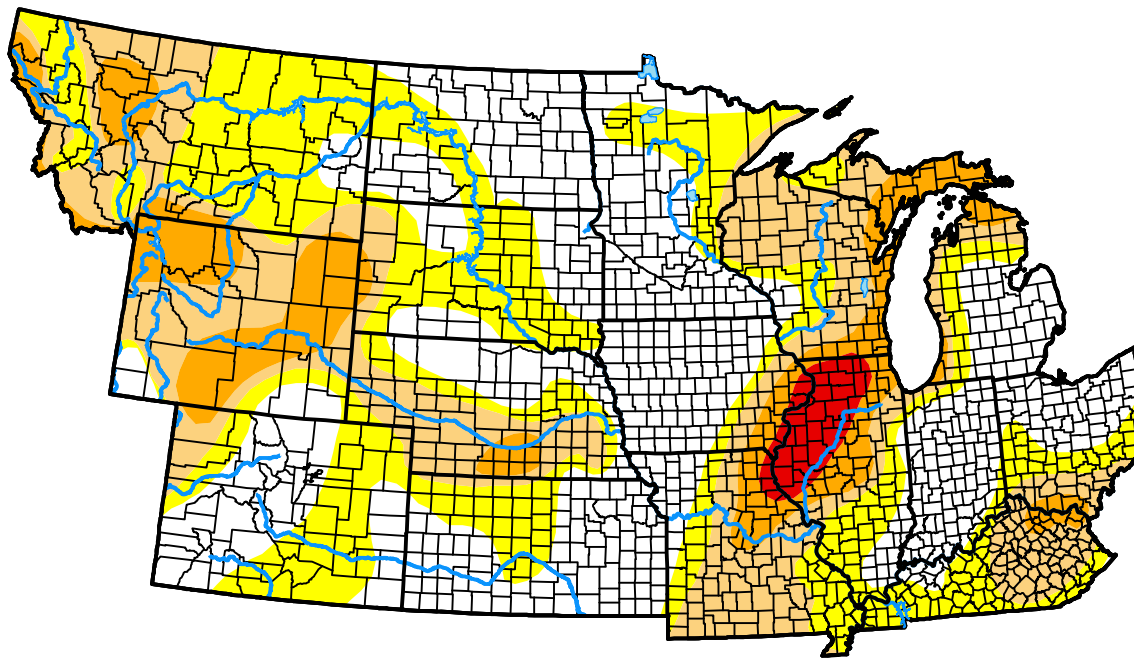


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.45	62.55	33.47	12.39	1.84	0.00
Last Week <i>08-09-2005</i>	28.79	71.21	37.53	16.94	3.73	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-17-2005</i>	49.01	50.99	28.63	14.92	3.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	53.66	46.34	29.92	18.21	6.90	1.62
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	50.74	49.26	31.13	19.50	8.04	1.66
One Year Ago <i>08-17-2004</i>	51.82	48.18	35.75	24.16	11.62	2.10



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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