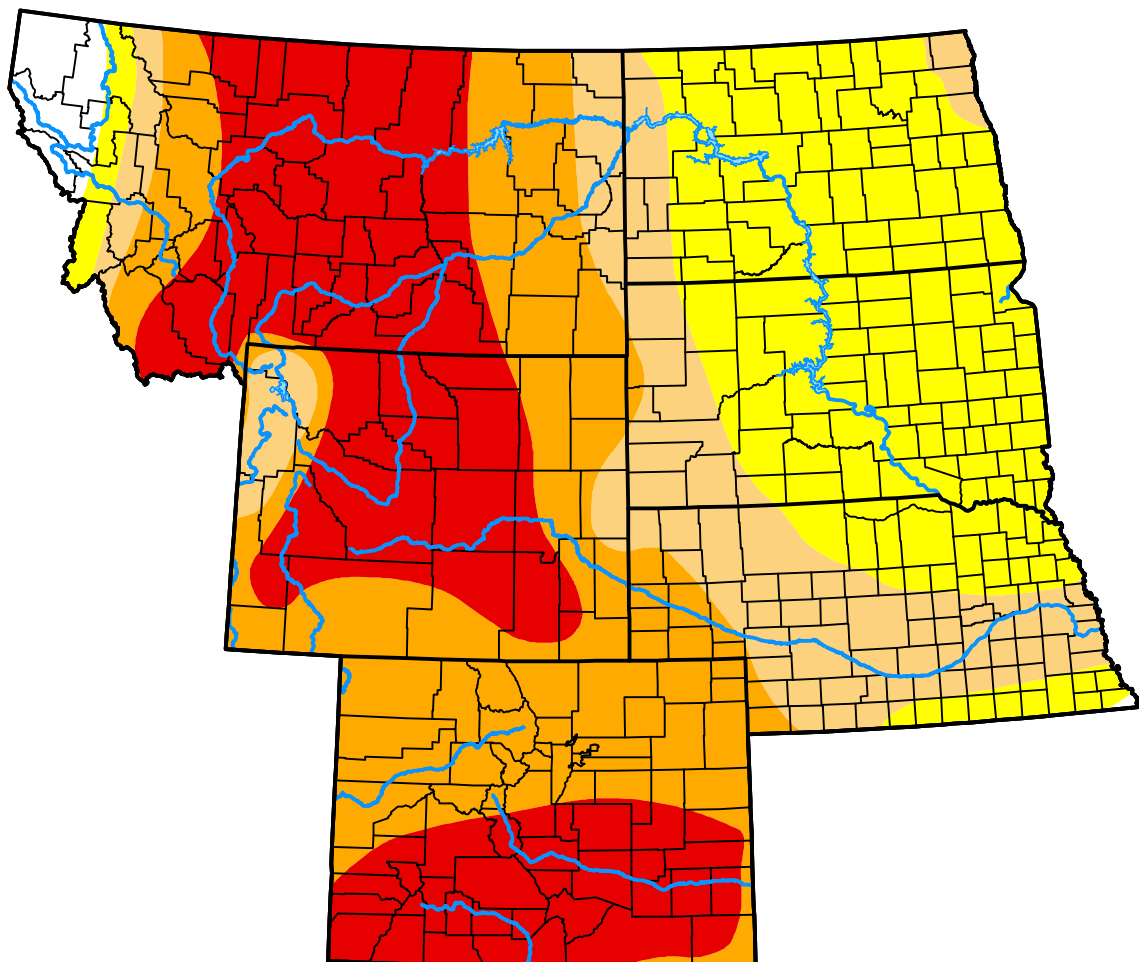


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**April 23, 2002**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 1.92  | 98.08 | 71.80 | 55.26 | 29.44 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-16-2002</i>              | 1.87  | 98.13 | 72.63 | 48.78 | 21.68 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-22-2002</i>           | 17.61 | 82.39 | 45.96 | 32.87 | 15.51 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 29.07 | 70.93 | 44.41 | 32.06 | 17.34 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2001</i>    | 46.53 | 53.47 | 33.85 | 28.98 | 16.18 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-24-2001</i>           | 62.91 | 37.09 | 24.65 | 17.58 | 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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