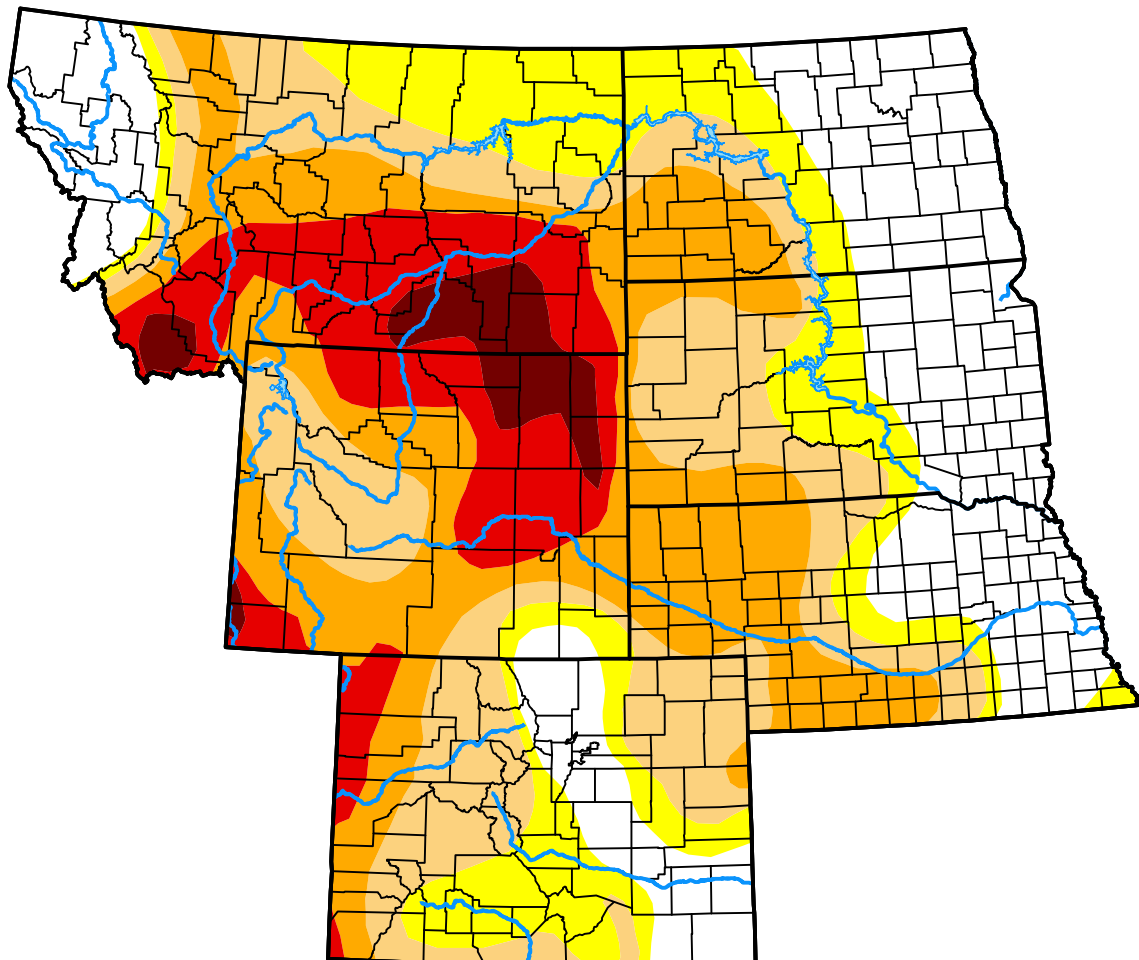


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	24.23	15.89	22.84	22.34	11.35	3.35
Last Week <i>10-05-2004</i>	24.19	15.92	22.86	22.33	11.35	3.35
3 Months Ago <i>07-13-2004</i>	18.82	11.40	18.08	30.55	17.09	4.07
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	0.00	16.29	18.77	42.96	18.35	3.63
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	25.67	14.04	22.03	22.08	12.83	3.35
One Year Ago <i>10-14-2003</i>	0.81	14.76	16.95	42.25	21.79	3.43

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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