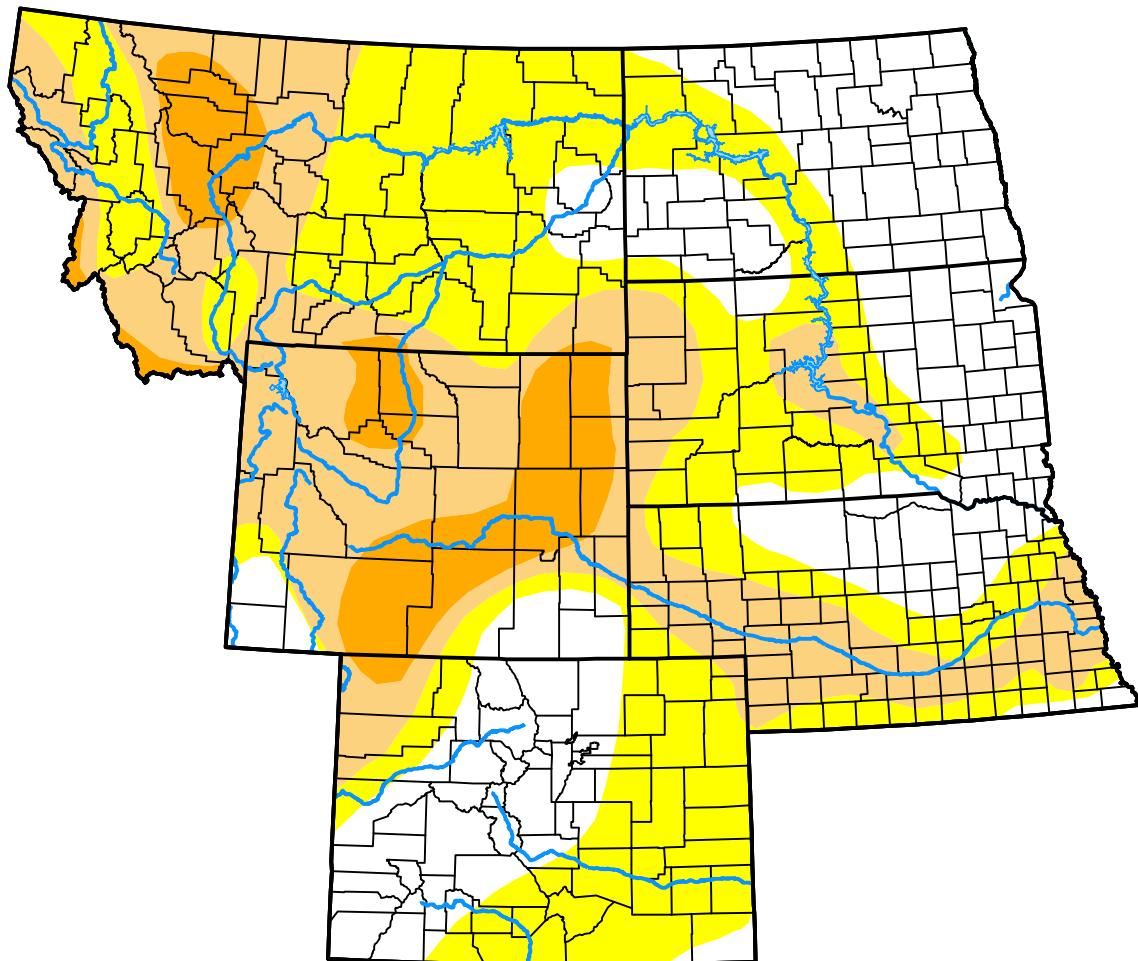


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USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	29.58	70.42	34.32	8.61	0.00	0.00
Last Week 09-27-2005	30.88	69.12	34.37	9.35	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-05-2005	43.32	56.68	37.18	14.80	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2005	21.51	78.49	58.40	35.73	13.88	3.27
Start of Water Year 09-27-2005	30.88	69.12	34.37	9.35	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10-05-2004	24.19	75.81	59.89	37.03	14.70	3.35

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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