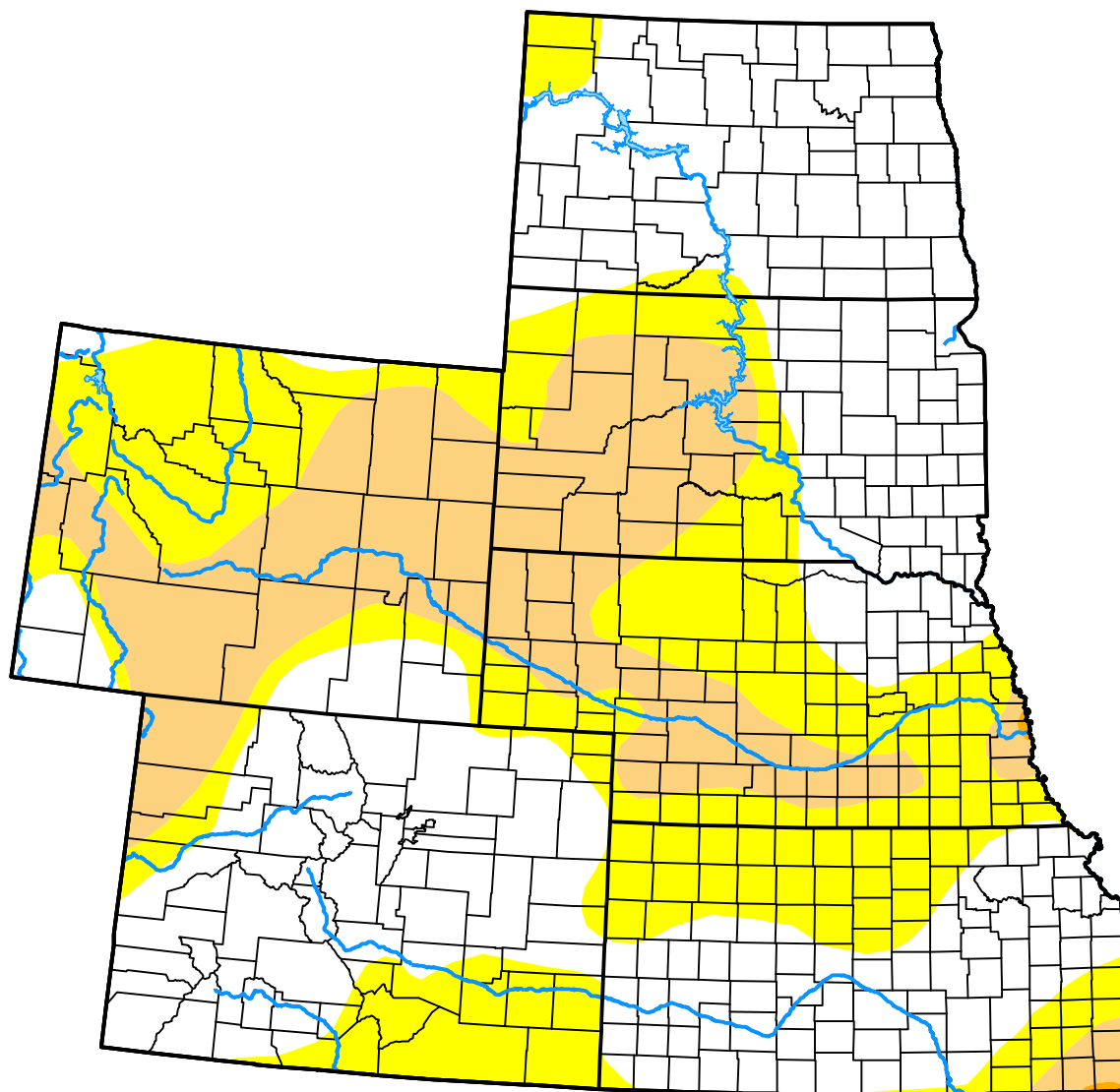


U.S. Drought Monitor

High Plains

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	48.51	30.13	21.29	0.07	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-13-2005</i>	49.29	29.75	20.93	0.03	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2005</i>	47.00	26.21	18.75	8.04	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	32.03	21.35	20.60	19.26	5.27	1.49
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	47.32	26.40	19.50	6.78	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2004</i>	32.58	20.81	21.28	19.11	4.74	1.49

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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