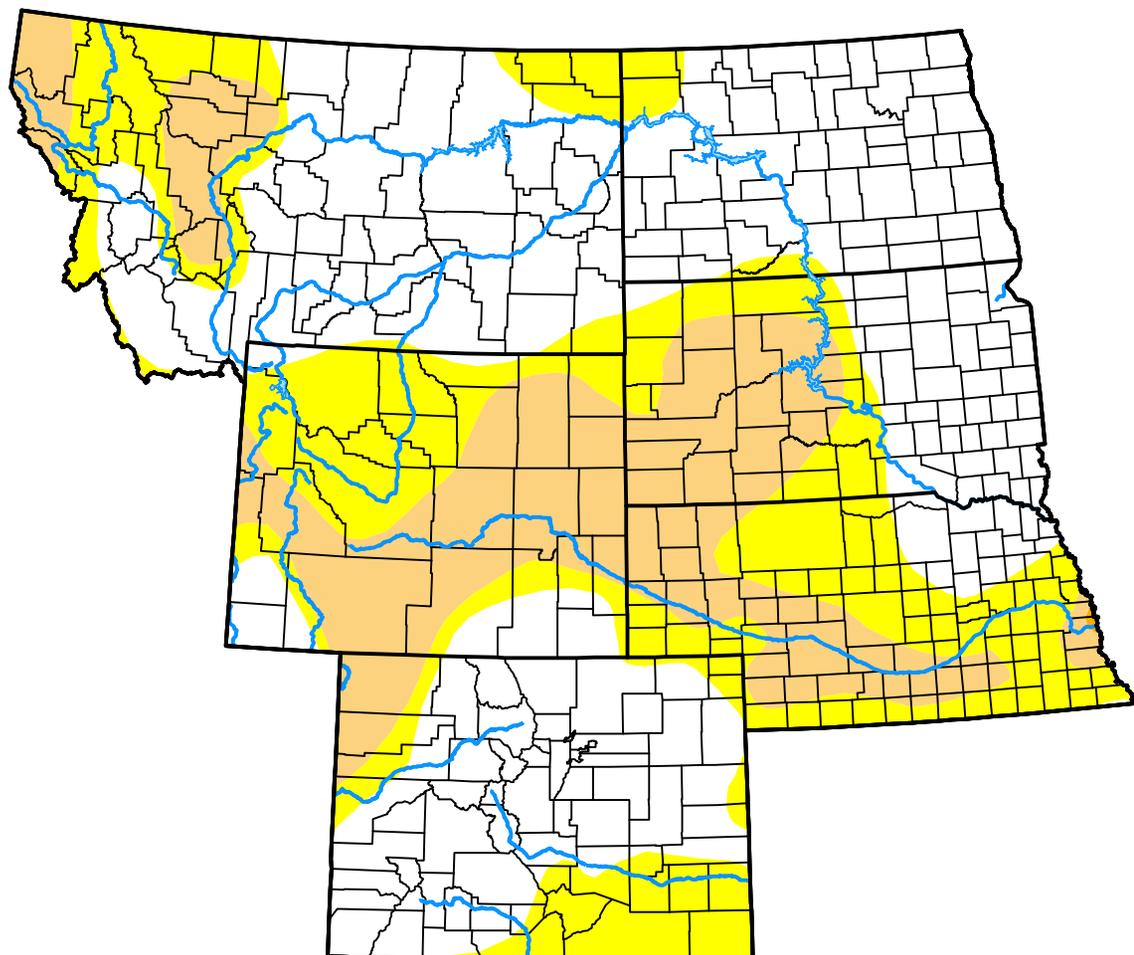


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**December 27, 2005**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	51.25	27.28	21.44	0.03	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-20-2005</i>	51.25	27.41	21.31	0.03	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	30.88	34.75	25.01	9.35	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2005</i>	21.51	20.08	22.67	21.85	10.61	3.27
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	30.88	34.75	25.01	9.35	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-28-2004</i>	21.51	20.08	22.67	21.85	10.61	3.27

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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