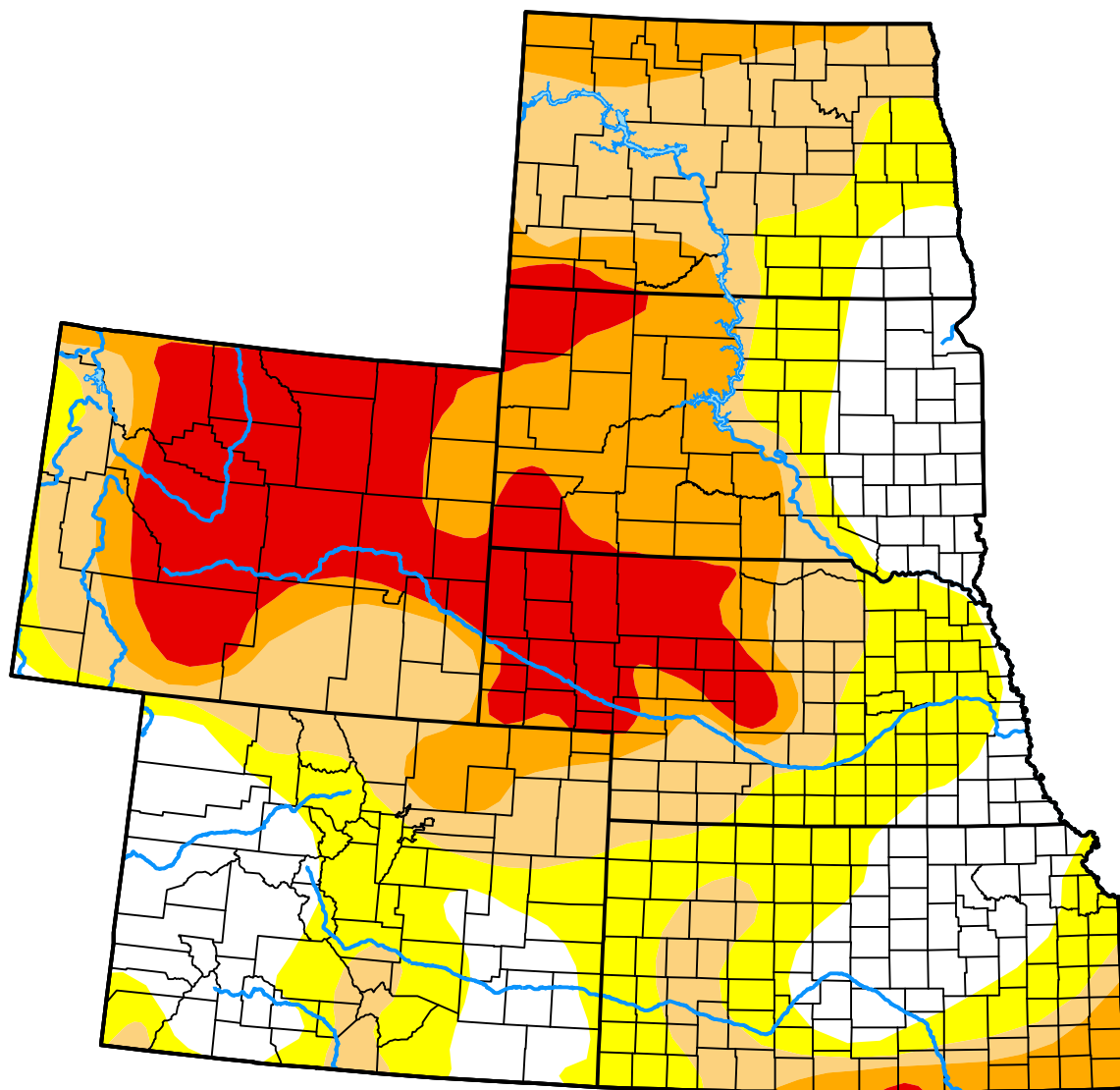


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

**October 31, 2006**  
 (Released Thursday, Nov. 2, 2006)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 20.60 | 22.52 | 23.44 | 17.15 | 16.29 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-24-2006</i>              | 15.61 | 24.91 | 24.44 | 18.75 | 16.29 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>08-01-2006</i>           | 0.82  | 12.35 | 29.85 | 38.31 | 15.17 | 3.50 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 46.85 | 32.67 | 20.28 | 0.20  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2006</i>    | 9.61  | 30.29 | 27.42 | 16.66 | 16.02 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>11-01-2005</i>           | 47.69 | 30.41 | 21.90 | 0.00  | 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>*

**Author:**

Brad Rippey  
 U.S. Department of Agriculture



**droughtmonitor.unl.edu**