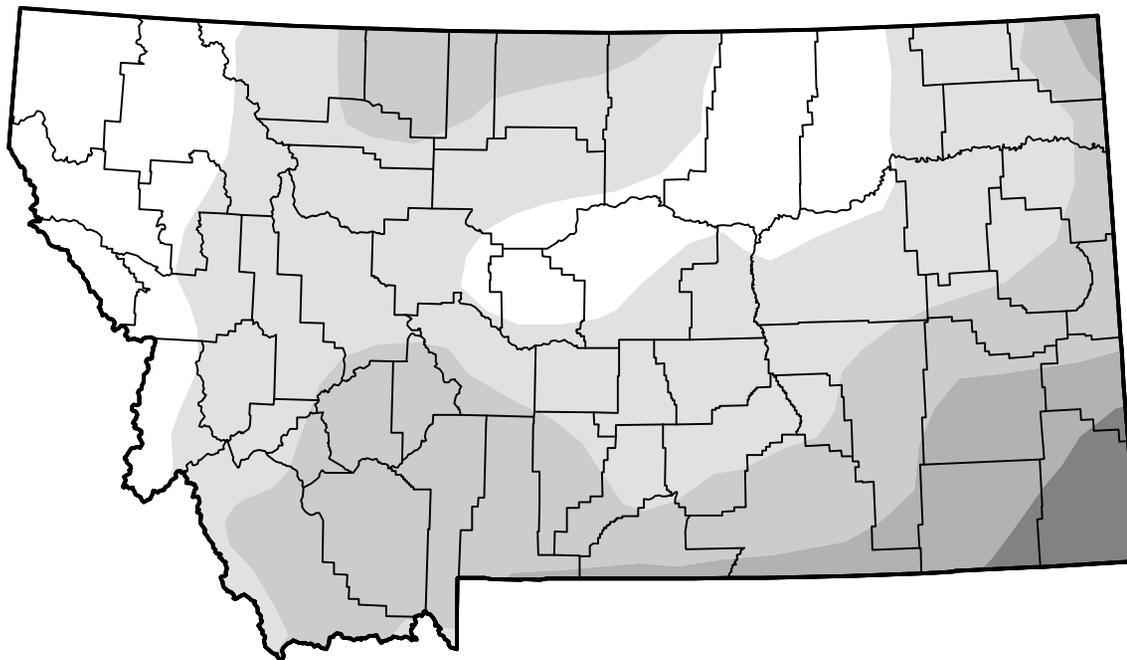


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Montana

**December 19, 2006**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 21, 2006)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 21.69 | 40.89 | 28.33 | 6.74  | 2.35 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-14-2006</i>              | 16.72 | 37.74 | 33.37 | 9.82  | 2.35 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-21-2006</i>           | 0.00  | 2.08  | 37.44 | 57.12 | 3.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2006</i> | 66.39 | 21.71 | 11.90 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2006</i>    | 0.00  | 2.08  | 37.44 | 57.12 | 3.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-22-2005</i>           | 66.52 | 22.27 | 11.21 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |

### Intensity:



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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