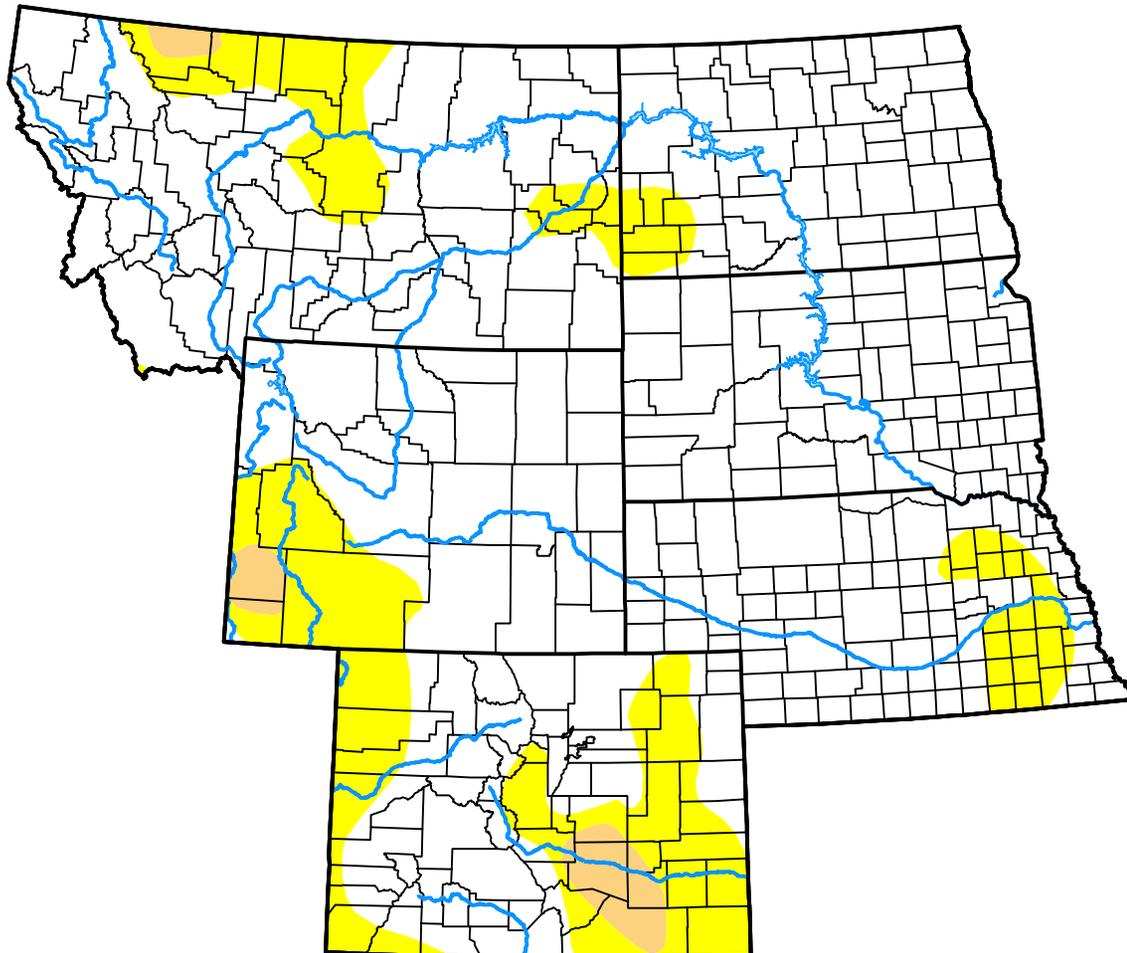


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	81.36	18.64	1.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-28-2009</i>	70.67	29.33	2.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-03-2009</i>	68.38	31.62	6.41	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.97	44.03	7.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	56.54	43.46	12.03	3.99	1.72	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-06-2008</i>	37.84	62.16	38.50	13.62	3.86	0.00

***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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