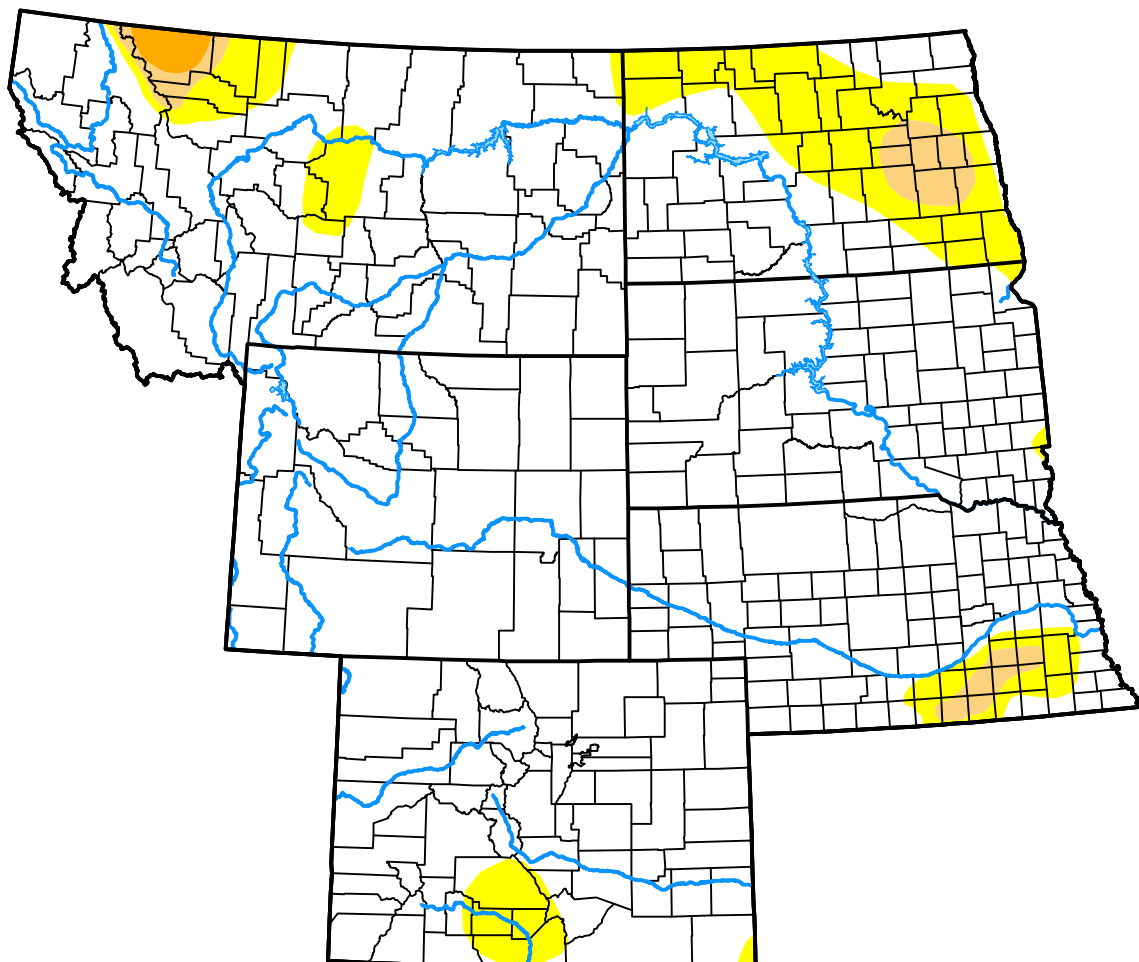


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	88.57	9.24	1.80	0.38	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-11-2009</i>	77.65	19.53	2.44	0.38	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-19-2009</i>	83.74	14.18	2.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.97	36.48	7.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	56.54	31.43	8.04	2.27	1.72	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-19-2008</i>	39.35	44.44	7.67	5.82	2.71	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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