

# U.S. Drought Monitor

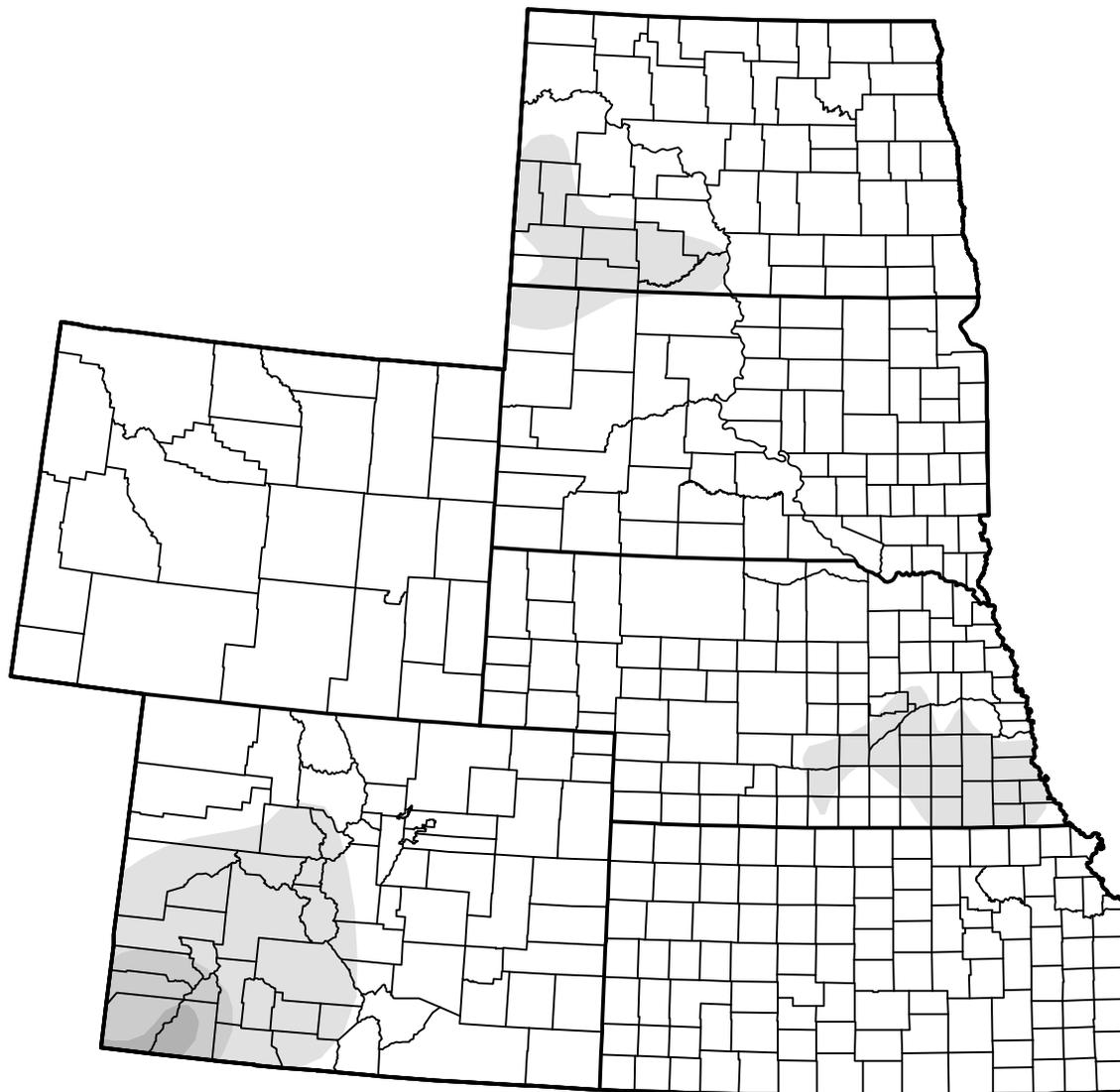
## High Plains

**October 13, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 88.83 | 9.78  | 1.09 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-06-2009</i>              | 88.35 | 10.94 | 0.71 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-14-2009</i>           | 90.94 | 8.75  | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 64.32 | 28.67 | 7.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2009</i>    | 87.89 | 11.40 | 0.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-14-2008</i>           | 69.55 | 22.77 | 6.03 | 1.65 | 0.00 | 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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