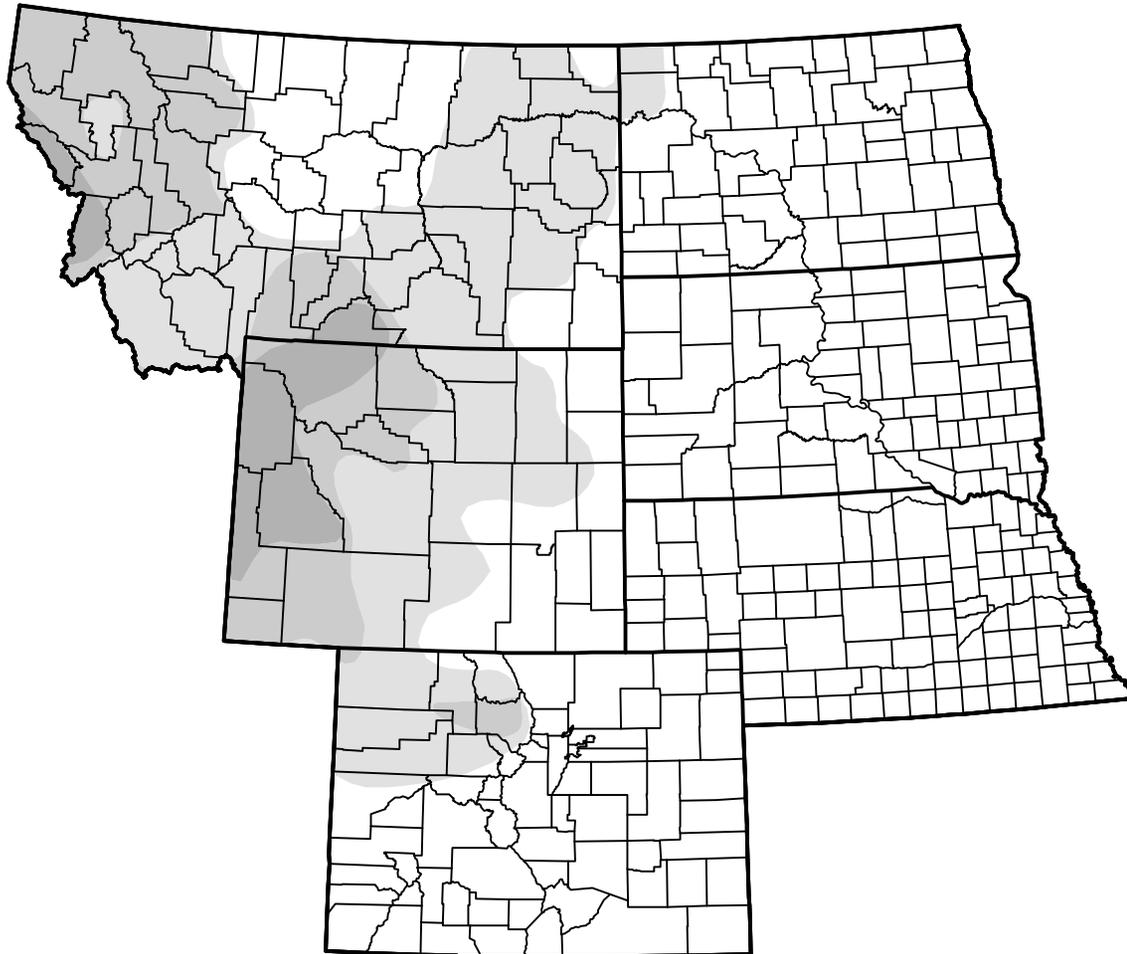


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	65.89	34.11	13.79	3.59	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-13-2010</i>	61.24	38.76	14.46	2.77	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-19-2010</i>	76.29	23.71	4.79	0.07	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	78.67	21.33	1.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	76.34	23.66	1.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-21-2009</i>	74.25	25.75	2.30	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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