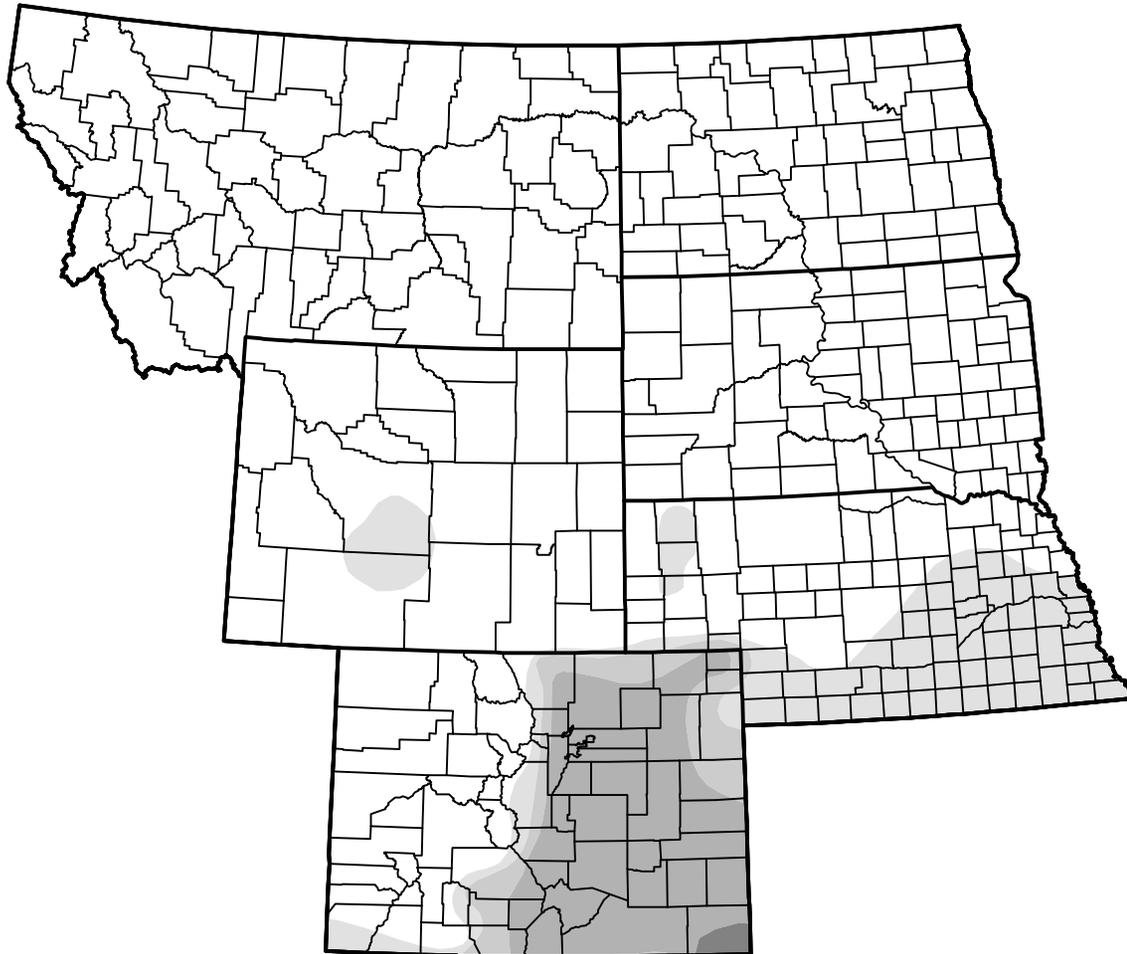


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	81.62	18.38	9.95	7.78	0.20	0.00
Last Week <i>04-12-2011</i>	79.54	20.46	11.87	7.42	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-18-2011</i>	77.24	22.76	10.51	1.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i>	76.75	23.25	10.51	1.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	71.39	28.61	3.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-20-2010</i>	65.89	34.11	13.79	3.59	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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