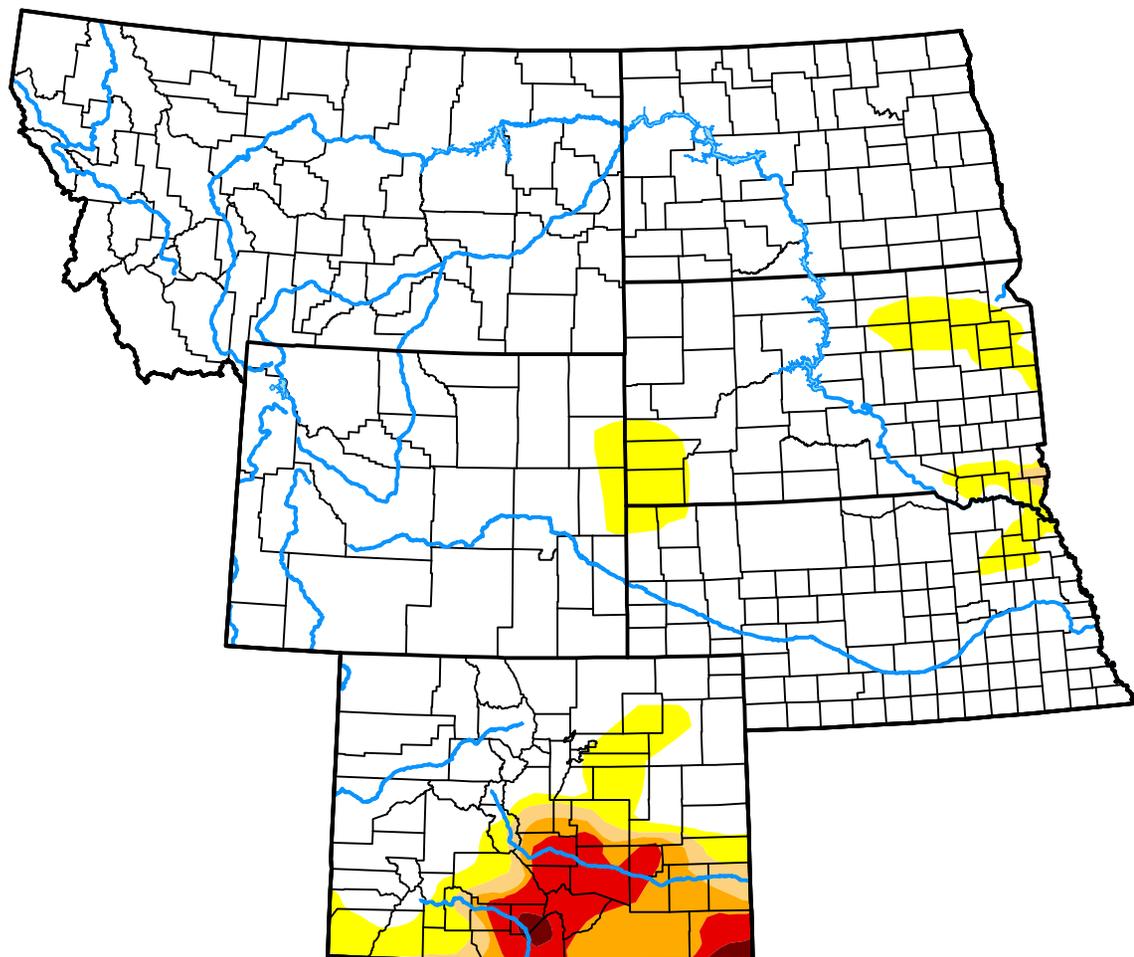


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**August 23, 2011**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	88.74	5.99	1.09	2.02	1.95	0.22
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-16-2011</i>	89.88	4.56	1.05	1.16	3.12	0.22
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-24-2011</i>	90.92	2.49	1.83	3.39	1.21	0.16
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2011</i>	76.75	12.75	8.67	1.84	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2010</i>	71.39	25.29	3.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-24-2010</i>	90.35	7.95	1.70	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>*

***Author:***

Eric Luebehusen  
 U.S. Department of Agriculture

