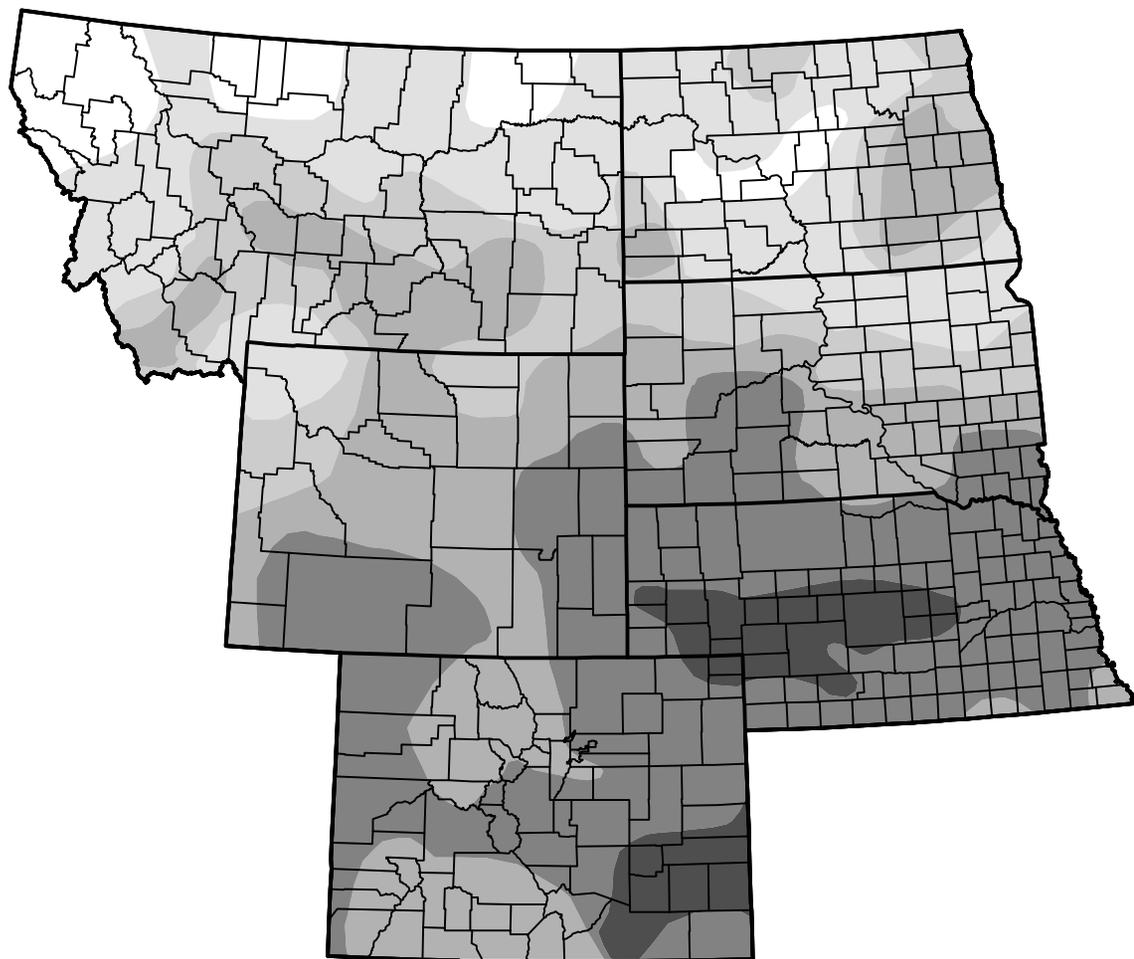


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**August 28, 2012**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	6.15	19.50	14.20	24.99	29.79	5.37
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-21-2012</i>	9.17	17.02	15.62	26.12	27.28	4.78
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-29-2012</i>	48.57	28.01	17.05	4.57	1.79	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	68.95	21.72	7.03	2.29	0.01	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2011</i>	73.09	20.90	2.38	2.20	1.33	0.10
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-30-2011</i>	87.76	6.91	1.13	2.62	1.30	0.27

***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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