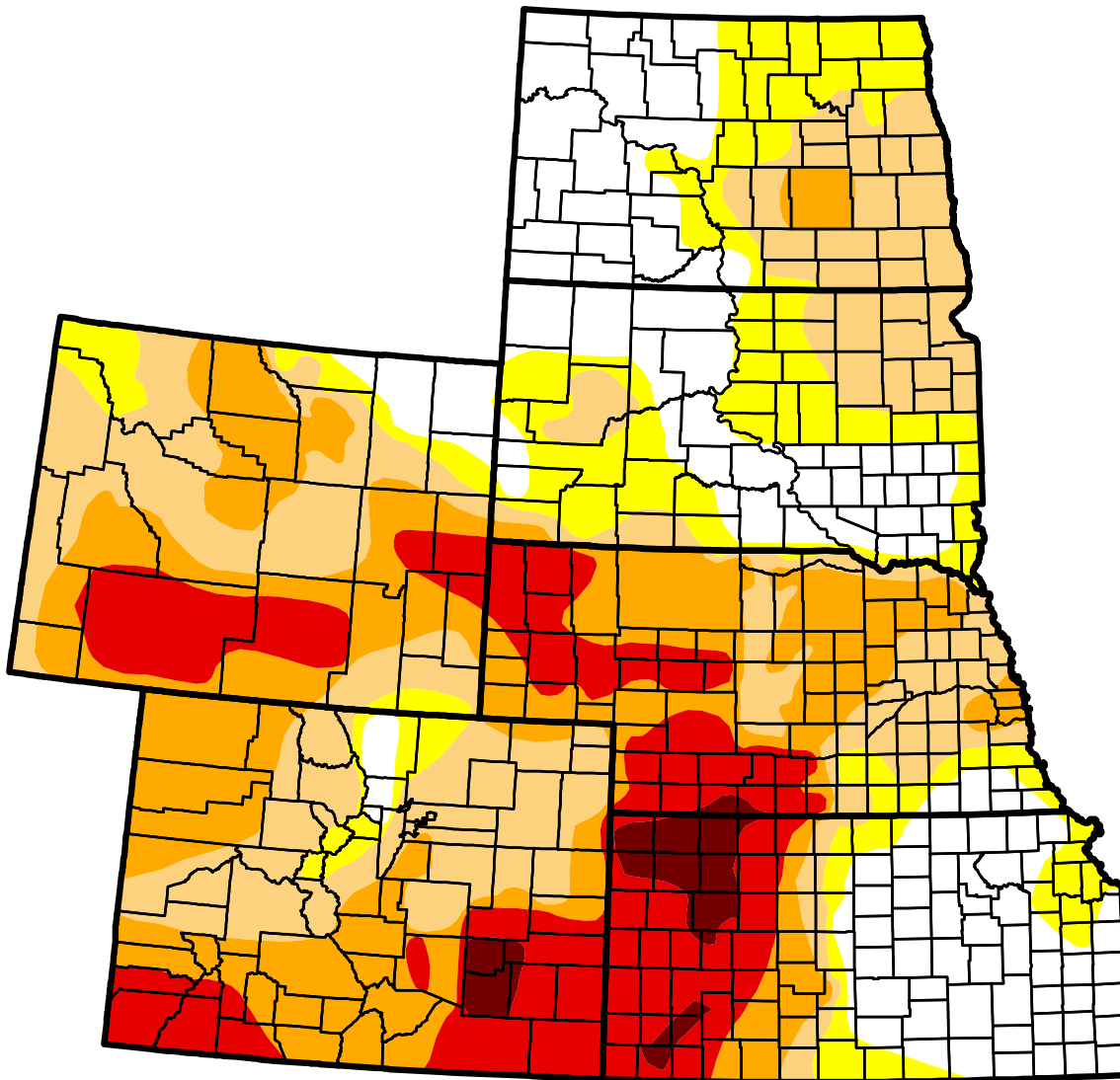


# U.S. Drought Monitor High Plains

**August 27, 2013**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	21.61	14.35	25.04	22.43	14.53	2.05
<b>Last Week</b> <i>8/20/2013</i>	27.30	14.52	19.34	21.55	15.15	2.14
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>5/28/2013</i>	15.36	11.66	17.43	34.20	13.94	7.41
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>1/1/2013</i>	1.54	5.45	6.81	25.95	33.26	26.99
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>9/25/2012</i>	0.00	1.09	15.11	22.53	36.92	24.35
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>8/28/2012</i>	17.67	16.94	15.42	16.78	26.09	7.09



***Intensity:***

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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