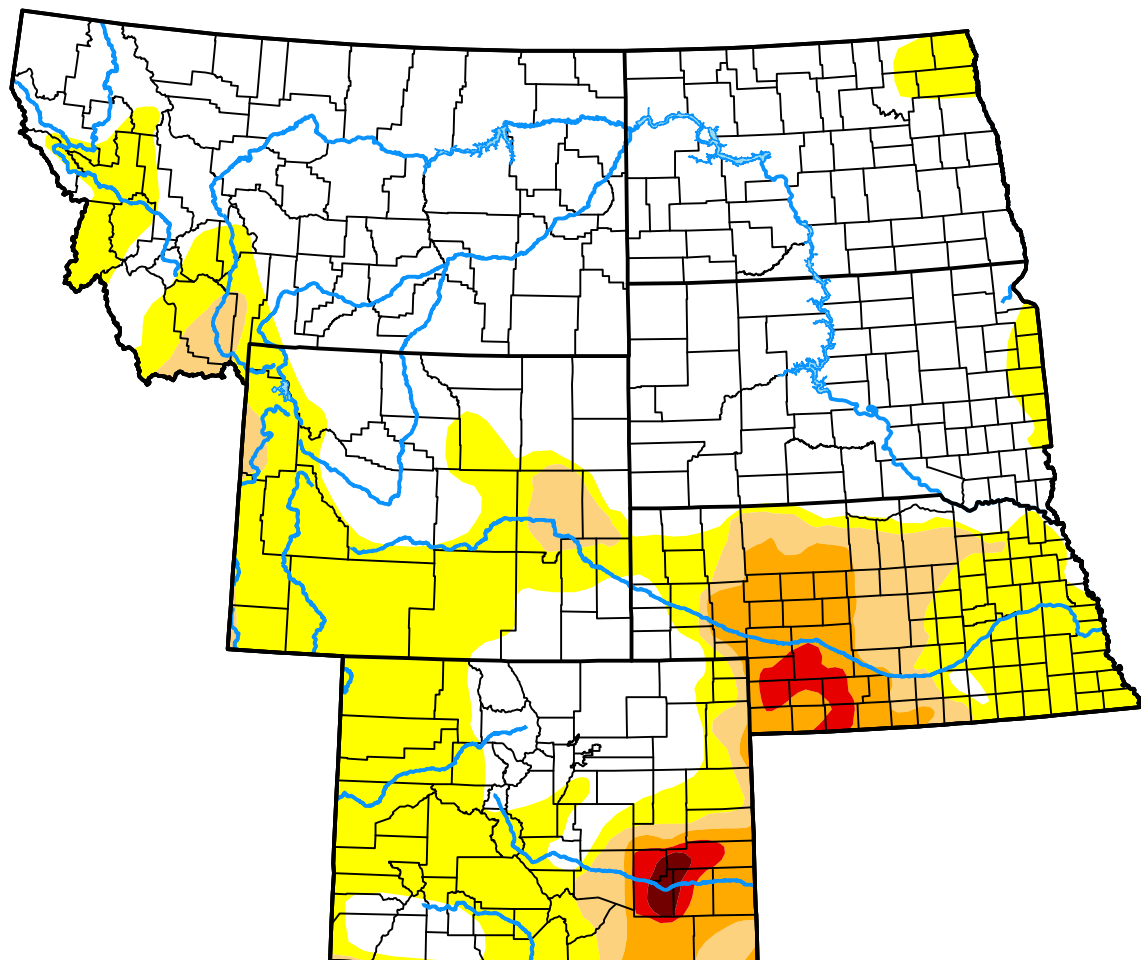


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	61.63	38.37	11.93	5.85	1.37	0.27
Last Week <i>12-10-2013</i>	61.63	38.37	11.92	5.76	1.37	0.27
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2013</i>	32.42	67.58	46.36	19.22	5.71	0.27
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2013</i>	14.83	85.17	76.87	66.98	43.85	18.79
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	58.76	33.79	12.98	2.10	0.27
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2012</i>	14.83	85.17	76.87	66.98	43.85	18.79

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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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