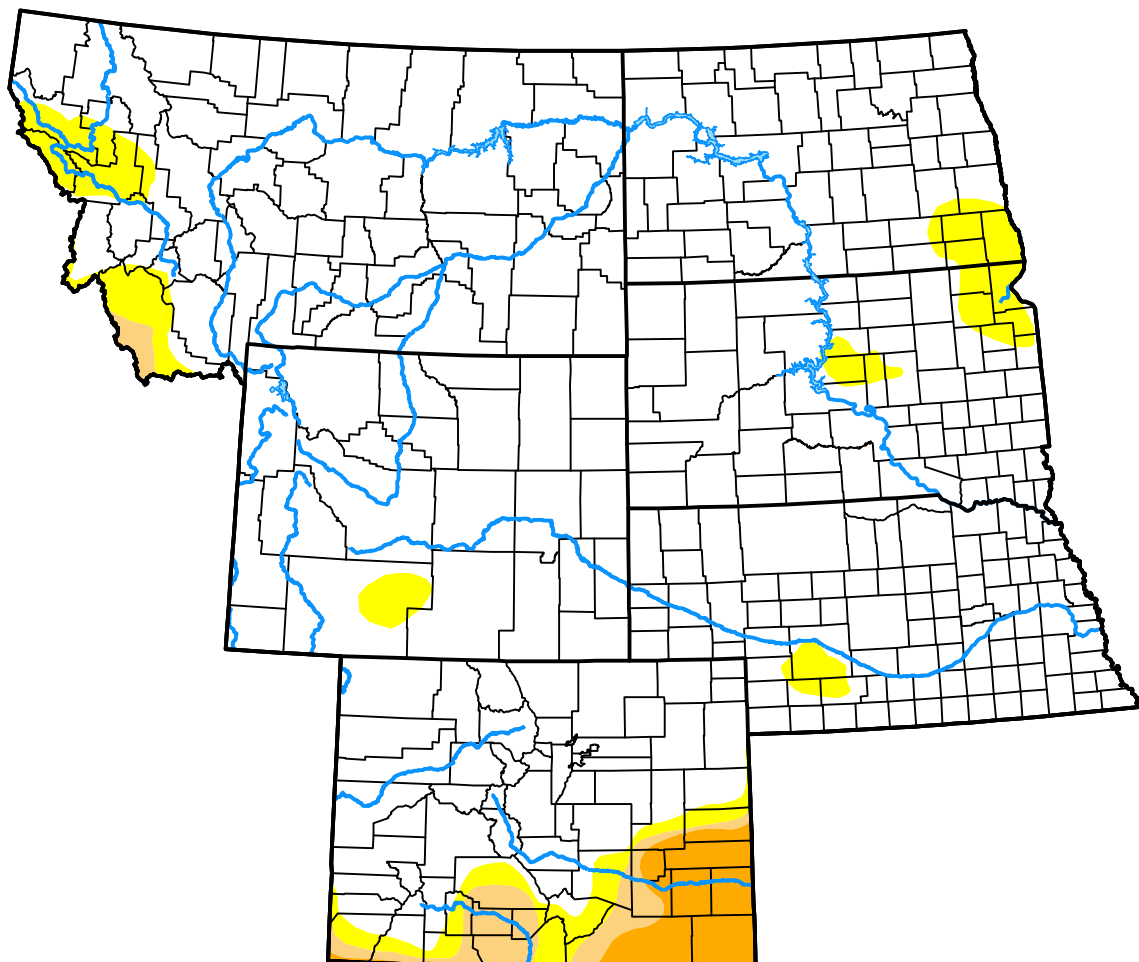


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains

### Climate Hub



**October 21, 2014**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 89.89 | 6.02  | 1.87 | 2.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-14-2014</i>              | 89.89 | 6.02  | 1.87 | 2.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-22-2014</i>           | 82.75 | 10.96 | 3.47 | 2.15 | 0.51 | 0.17 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 61.90 | 25.93 | 6.14 | 4.67 | 1.10 | 0.27 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 90.80 | 4.72  | 1.97 | 2.09 | 0.42 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-22-2013</i>           | 56.74 | 28.58 | 8.48 | 4.83 | 1.10 | 0.27 |

#### 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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