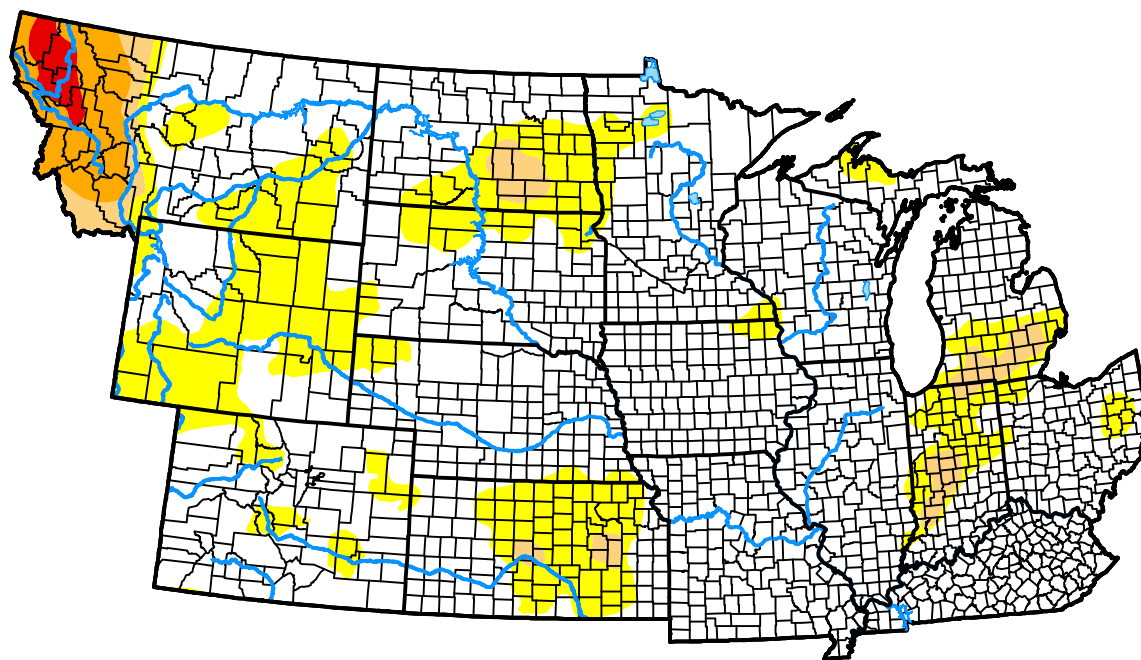


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 73.35 | 26.65 | 6.22  | 3.32  | 0.72  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-01-2015</i>              | 71.35 | 28.65 | 6.57  | 3.32  | 0.72  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-08-2015</i>           | 79.37 | 20.63 | 5.14  | 3.68  | 2.40  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 74.67 | 25.33 | 5.02  | 2.41  | 0.16  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>    | 71.52 | 28.48 | 5.67  | 3.66  | 2.15  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-09-2014</i>           | 76.42 | 23.58 | 5.10  | 2.48  | 0.16  | 0.00 |

**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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