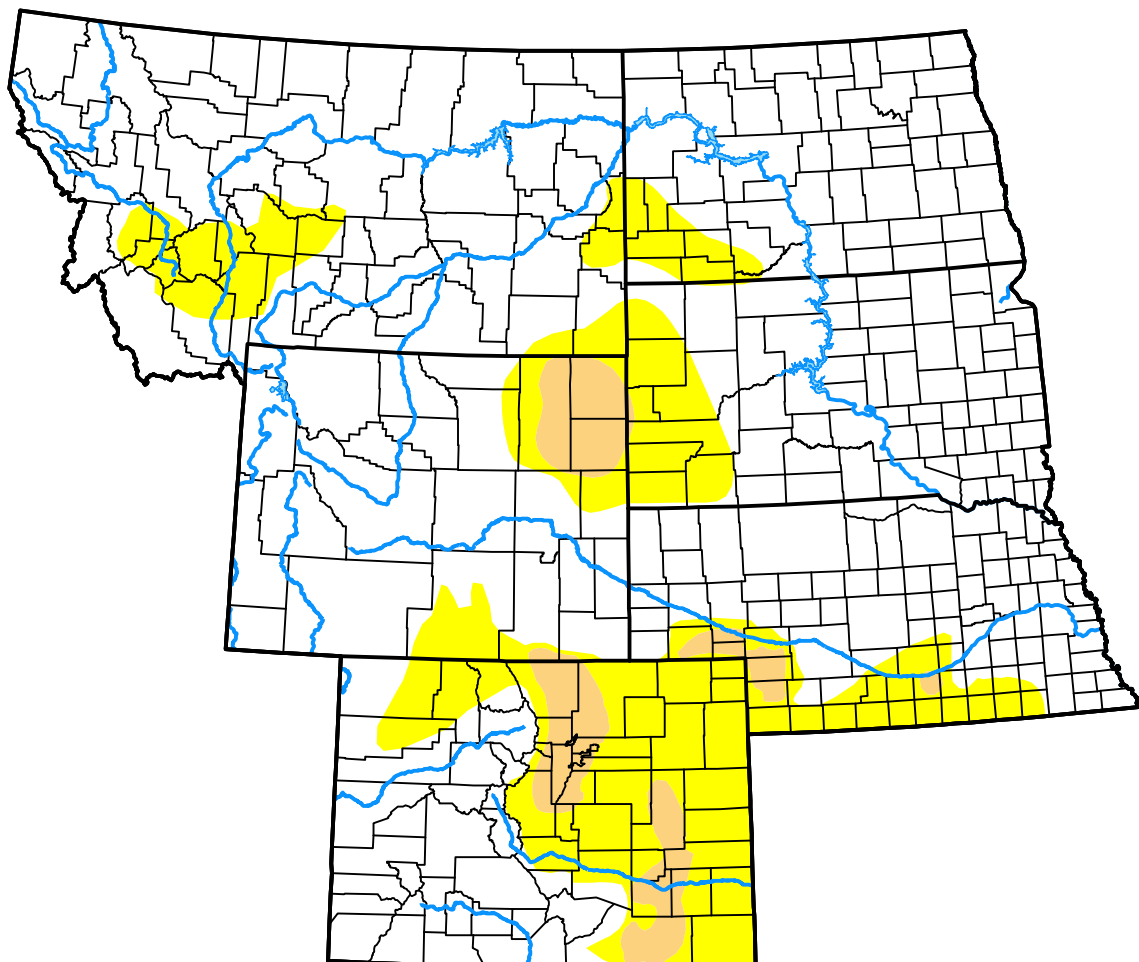


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	77.48	18.42	4.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 04-11-2017	79.28	15.25	5.47	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-17-2017	69.21	16.79	12.92	1.09	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	61.47	22.58	14.48	1.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	62.66	23.14	10.33	3.65	0.23	0.00
One Year Ago 04-19-2016	70.25	23.62	5.63	0.50	0.00	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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