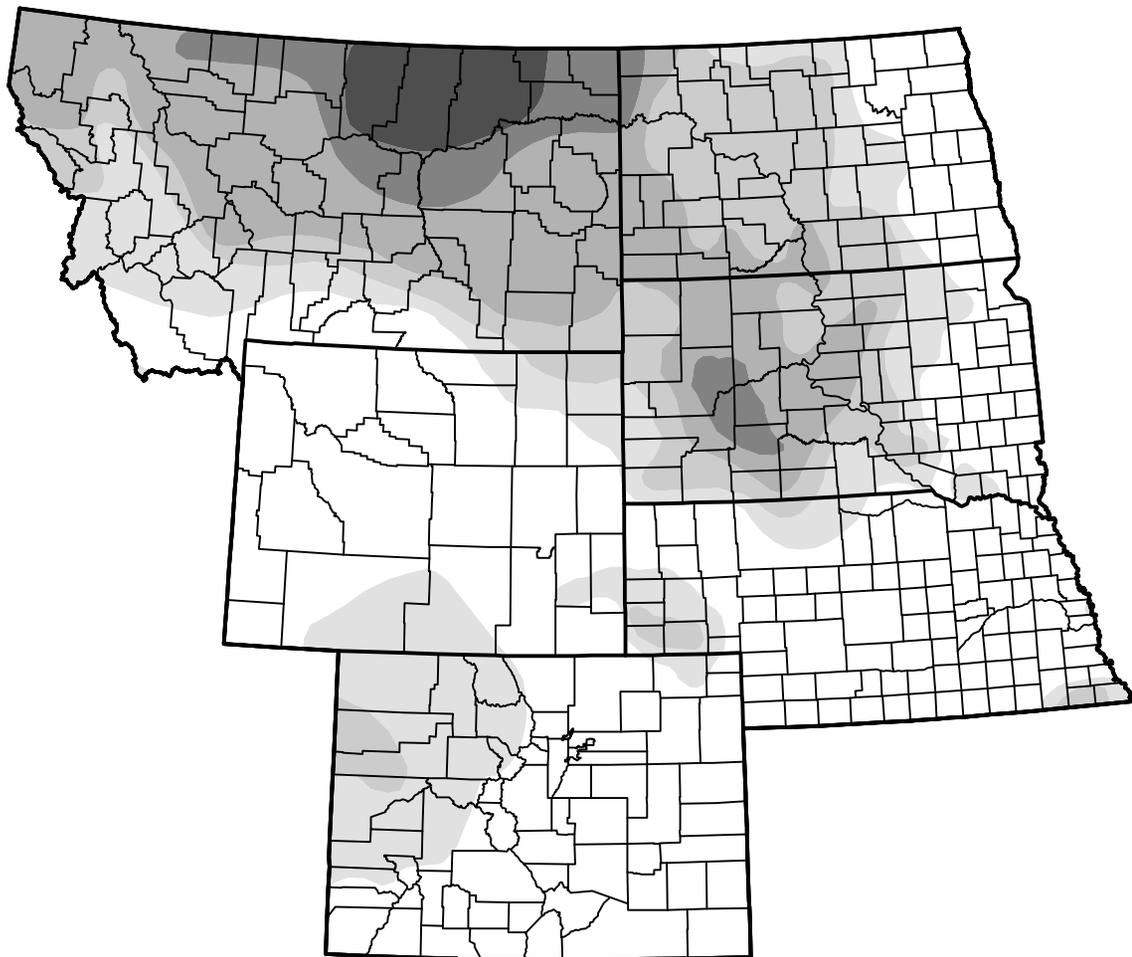


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	47.08	52.92	36.30	23.52	6.97	2.61
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-26-2017</i>	42.89	57.11	39.34	25.07	12.12	4.54
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-04-2017</i>	48.76	51.24	28.65	19.32	7.49	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2017</i>	61.47	38.53	15.95	1.47	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-26-2017</i>	42.89	57.11	39.34	25.07	12.12	4.54
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-04-2016</i>	66.91	33.09	13.12	2.68	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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