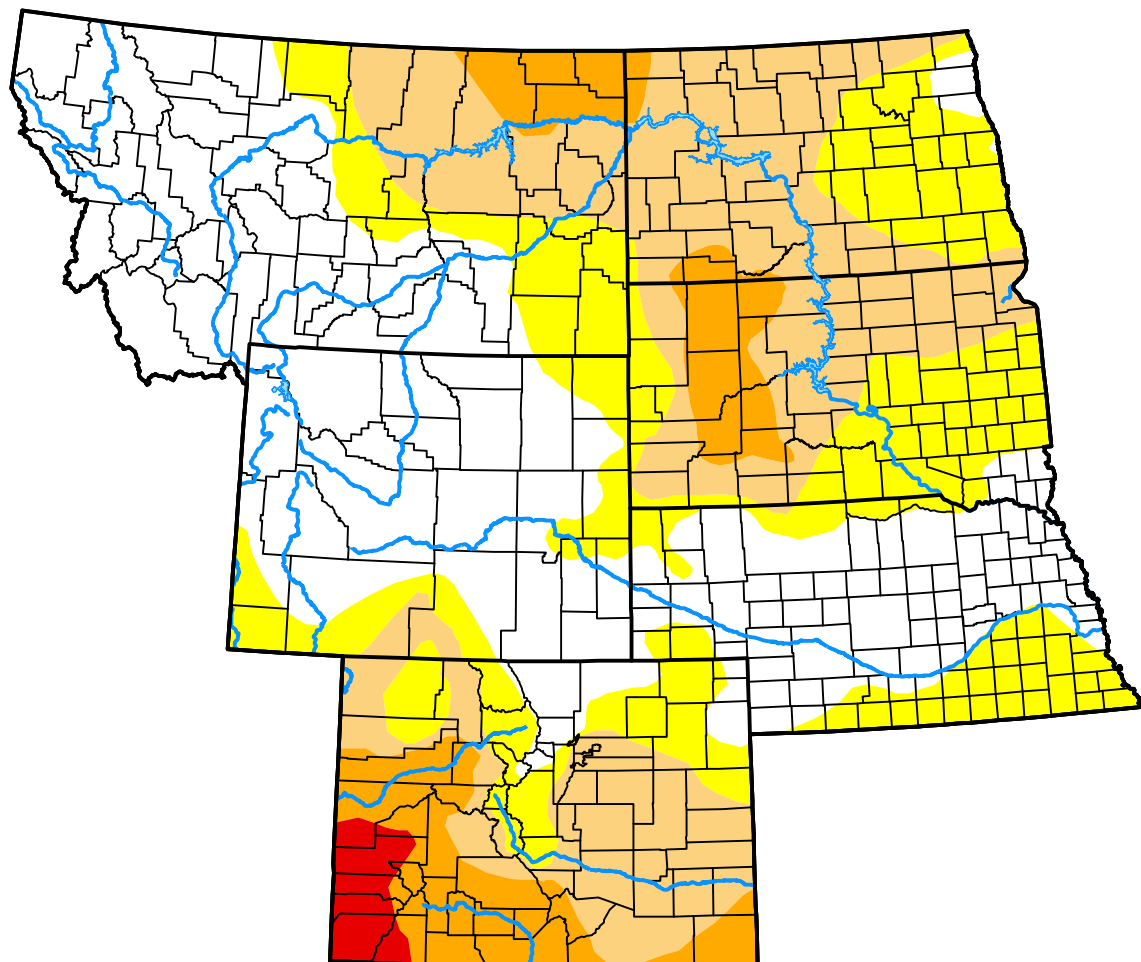


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.68	24.03	24.96	8.95	1.38	0.00
Last Week <i>02-13-2018</i>	41.20	23.50	24.96	10.34	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-21-2017</i>	52.06	19.62	17.69	6.69	3.94	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2018</i>	29.26	38.76	20.75	7.30	3.93	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2017</i>	42.89	17.77	14.27	12.95	7.58	4.54
One Year Ago <i>02-21-2017</i>	72.29	13.95	13.46	0.30	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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