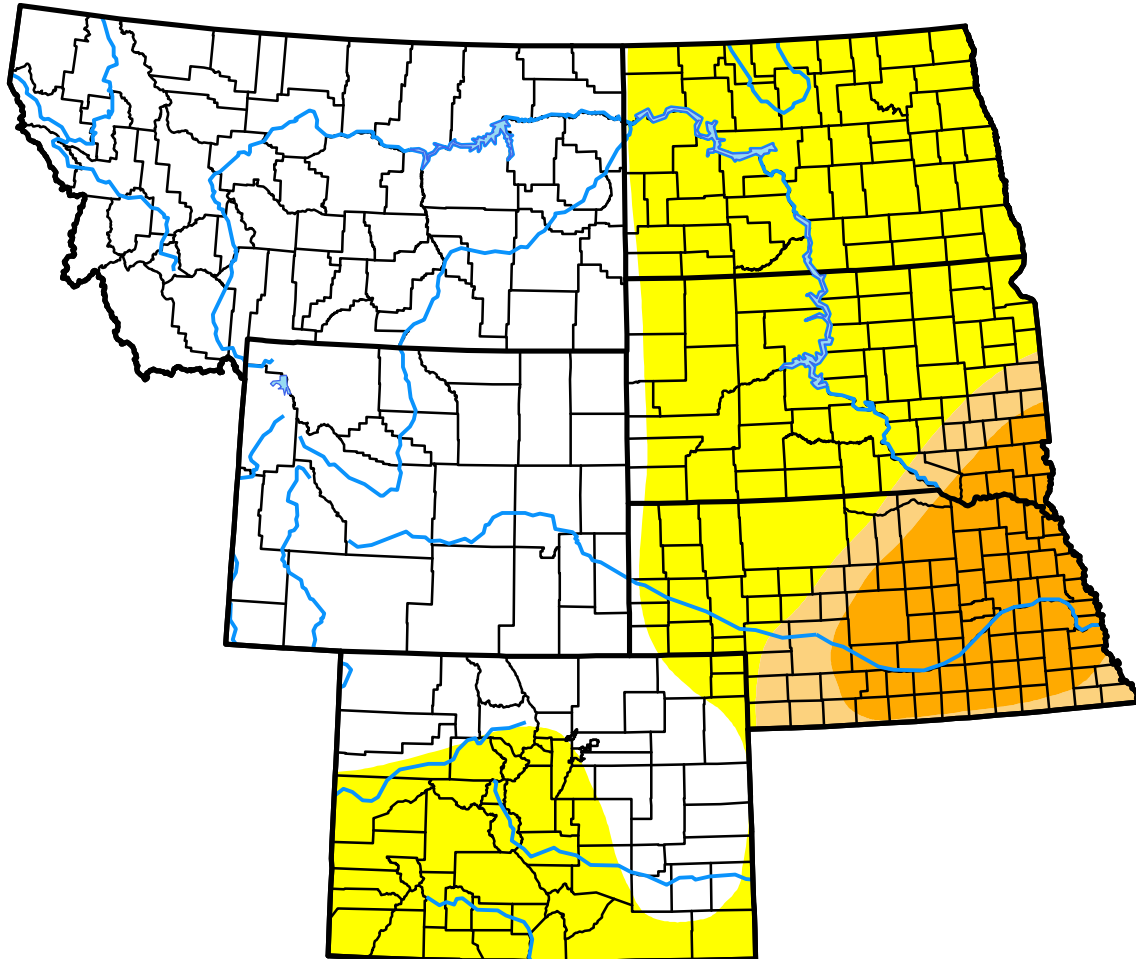


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	51.84	37.02	3.70	7.45	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>01-11-2000</i>	54.80	34.56	3.19	7.45	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago	-	-	-	-	-	-
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2000</i>	61.21	29.23	4.23	5.33	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year	-	-	-	-	-	-
One Year Ago	-	-	-	-	-	-

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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