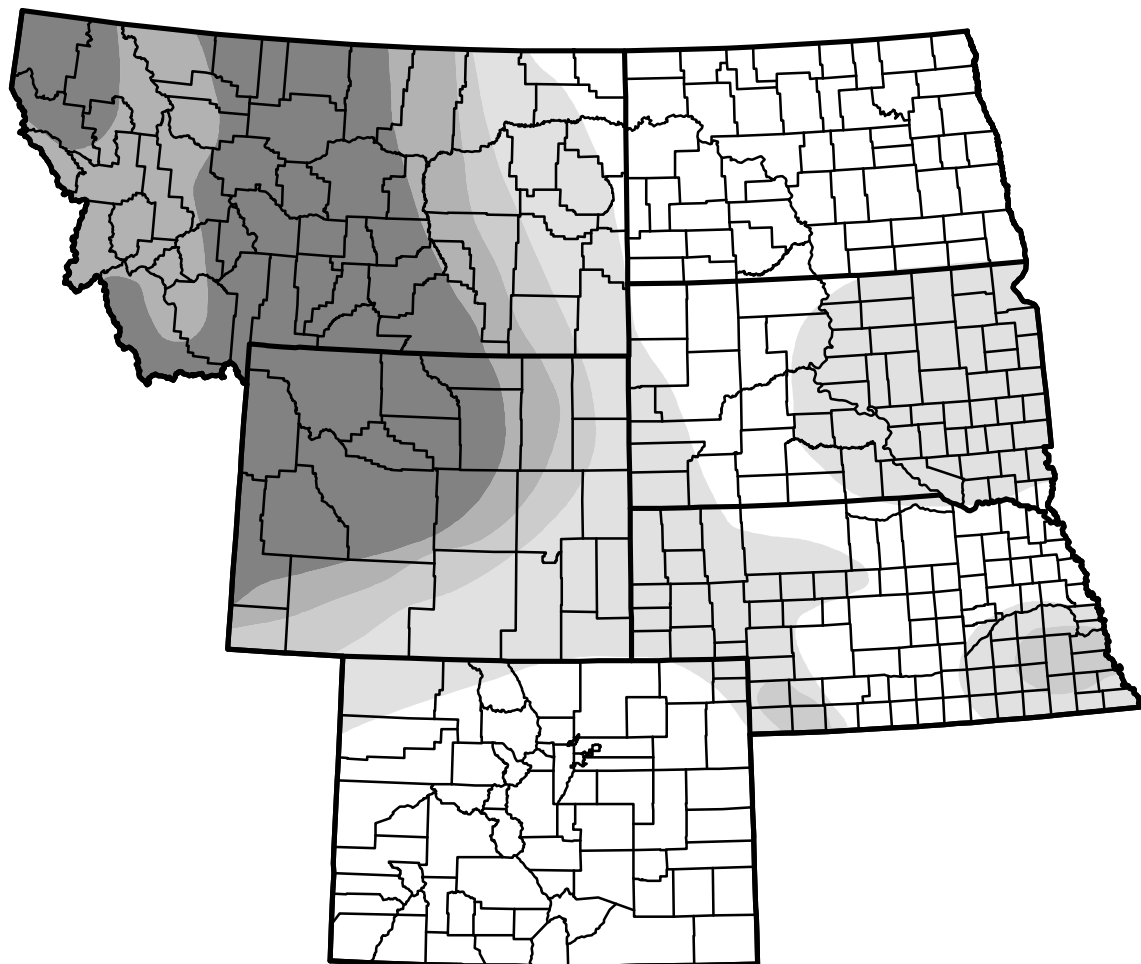


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	41.19	58.81	34.42	28.98	19.47	0.00
Last Week <i>08-28-2001</i>	53.74	46.26	32.41	27.65	18.31	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-05-2001</i>	64.34	35.66	26.59	18.52	2.96	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2001</i>	57.35	42.65	15.62	7.08	0.40	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2000</i>	27.60	72.40	36.08	21.65	2.94	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-05-2000</i>	33.21	66.79	34.77	17.56	2.13	0.00

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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