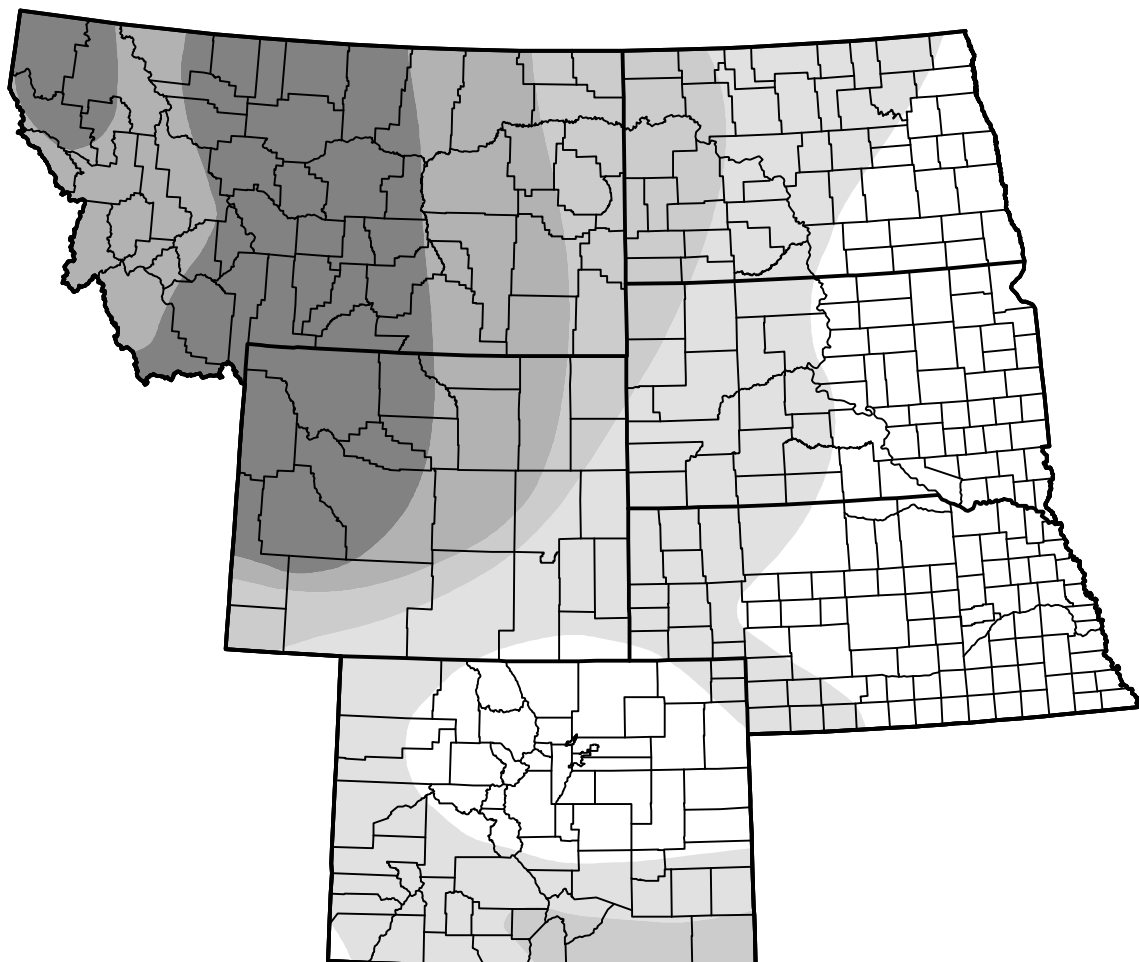


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	29.54	26.98	11.37	14.31	17.79	0.00
Last Week 12-11-2001	29.49	28.00	10.41	14.31	17.79	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-18-2001	44.81	21.34	4.86	12.81	16.17	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2001	57.35	27.03	8.53	6.68	0.40	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2001	46.53	19.62	4.86	12.80	16.18	0.00
One Year Ago 12-19-2000	53.21	30.20	10.04	6.13	0.42	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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