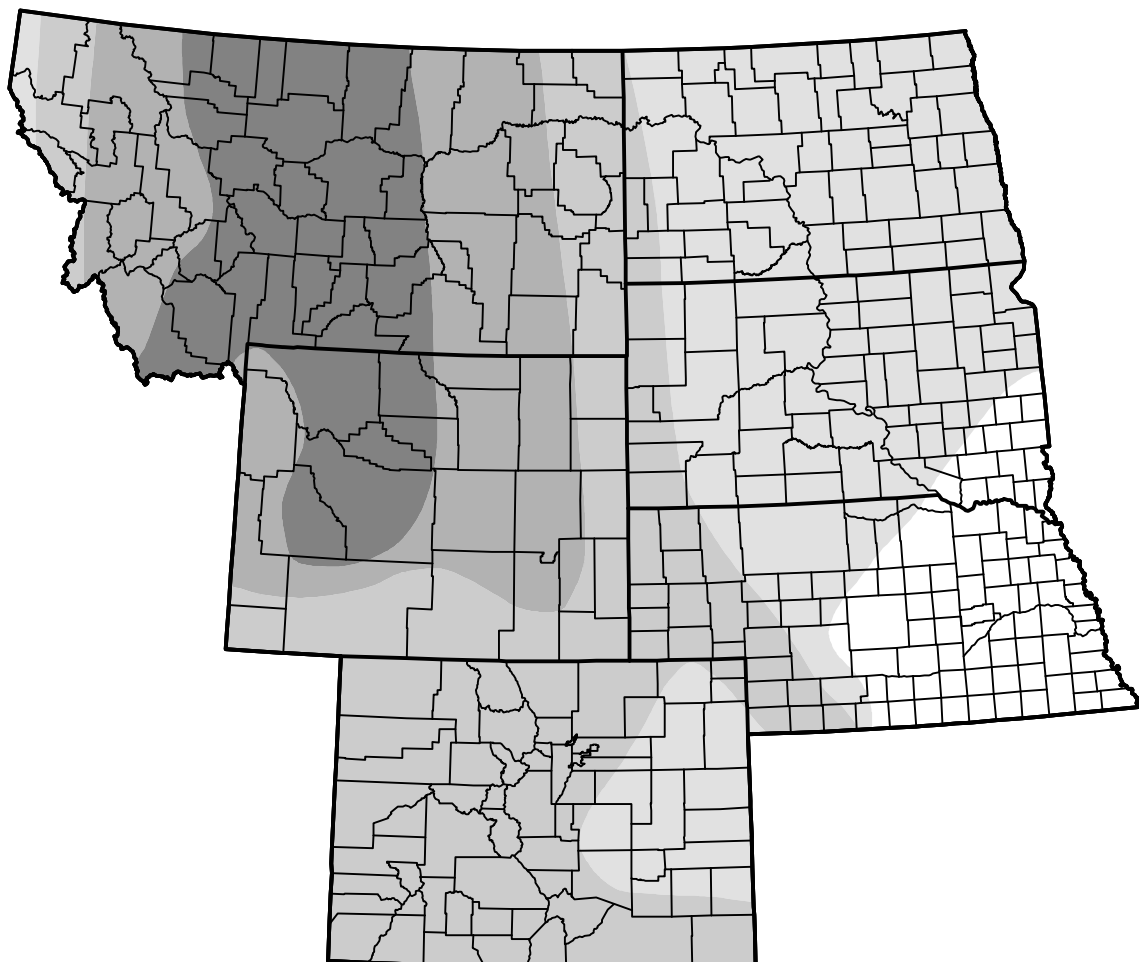


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains

### Climate Hub



**February 19, 2002**  
*(Released Thursday, Feb. 21, 2002)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST

#### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 8.52  | 91.48 | 61.93 | 32.46 | 14.96 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-12-2002</i>              | 8.51  | 91.49 | 57.27 | 32.44 | 15.04 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-20-2001</i>           | 20.49 | 79.51 | 36.09 | 29.35 | 19.53 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 29.07 | 70.93 | 44.41 | 32.06 | 17.34 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2001</i>    | 46.53 | 53.47 | 33.85 | 28.98 | 16.18 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-20-2001</i>           | 52.92 | 47.08 | 29.29 | 6.14  | 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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