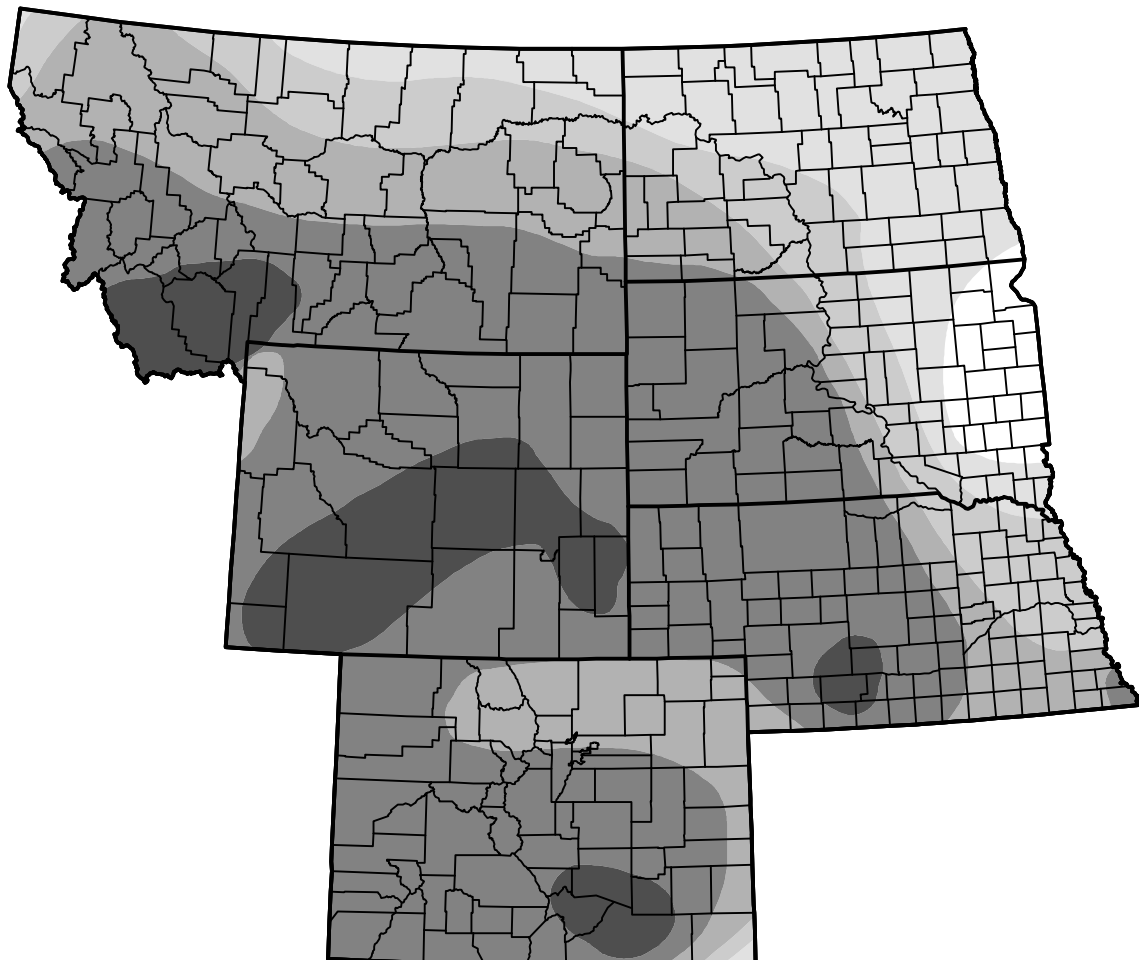


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	2.41	97.59	85.32	75.07	56.44	10.50
Last Week <i>01-07-2003</i>	2.44	97.56	84.17	72.66	53.59	6.35
3 Months Ago <i>10-15-2002</i>	11.01	88.99	74.90	63.36	45.95	3.82
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	5.32	94.68	83.14	71.20	48.98	4.25
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	14.70	85.30	70.88	59.85	46.19	9.48
One Year Ago <i>01-15-2002</i>	18.00	82.00	45.77	32.58	15.49	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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