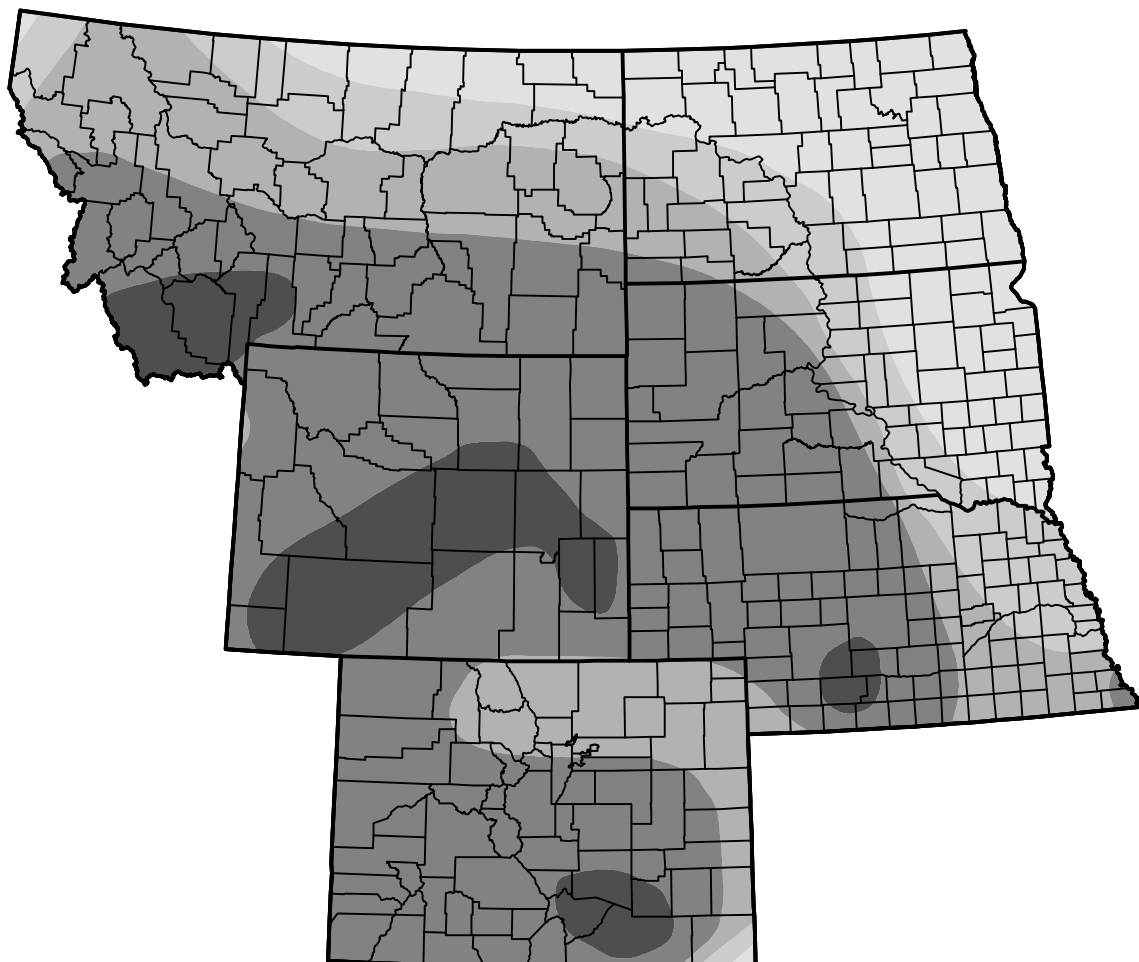


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



January 21, 2003

(Released Thursday, Jan. 23, 2003)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	14.91	10.28	18.59	46.46	9.76
Last Week <i>01-14-2003</i>	2.41	12.27	10.25	18.63	45.93	10.50
3 Months Ago <i>10-22-2002</i>	10.96	14.12	11.67	16.86	42.60	3.79
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	5.32	11.53	11.95	22.22	44.73	4.25
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	14.70	14.42	11.03	13.66	36.71	9.48
One Year Ago <i>01-22-2002</i>	17.61	36.44	13.09	17.36	15.51	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>

Author:

Brad Rippey
U.S. Department of Agriculture



droughtmonitor.unl.edu