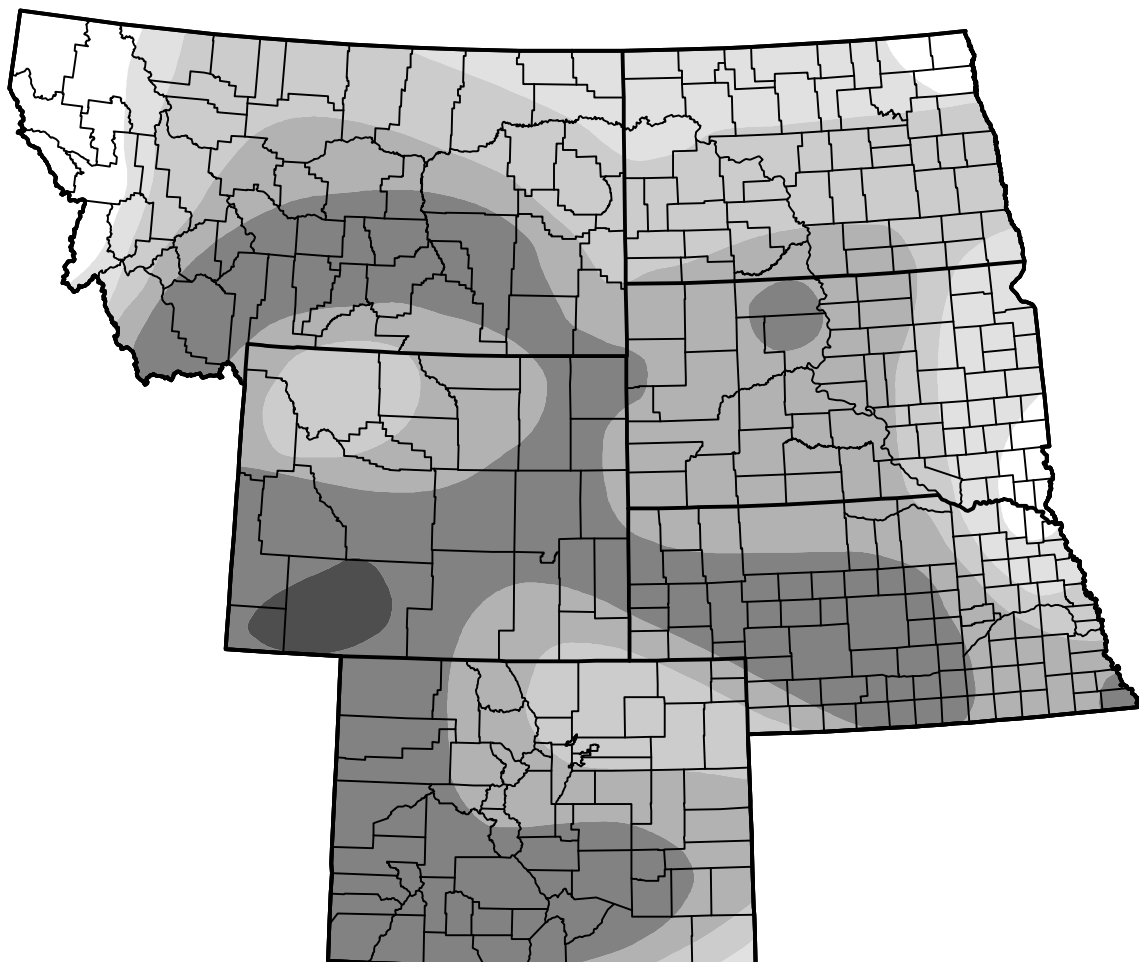


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.32	95.68	85.69	63.93	33.28	1.37
Last Week <i>04-15-2003</i>	3.87	96.13	87.37	64.25	33.17	1.20
3 Months Ago <i>01-21-2003</i>	0.00	100.00	85.09	74.81	56.21	9.76
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>04-23-2002</i>	1.92	98.08	71.80	55.26	29.44	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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