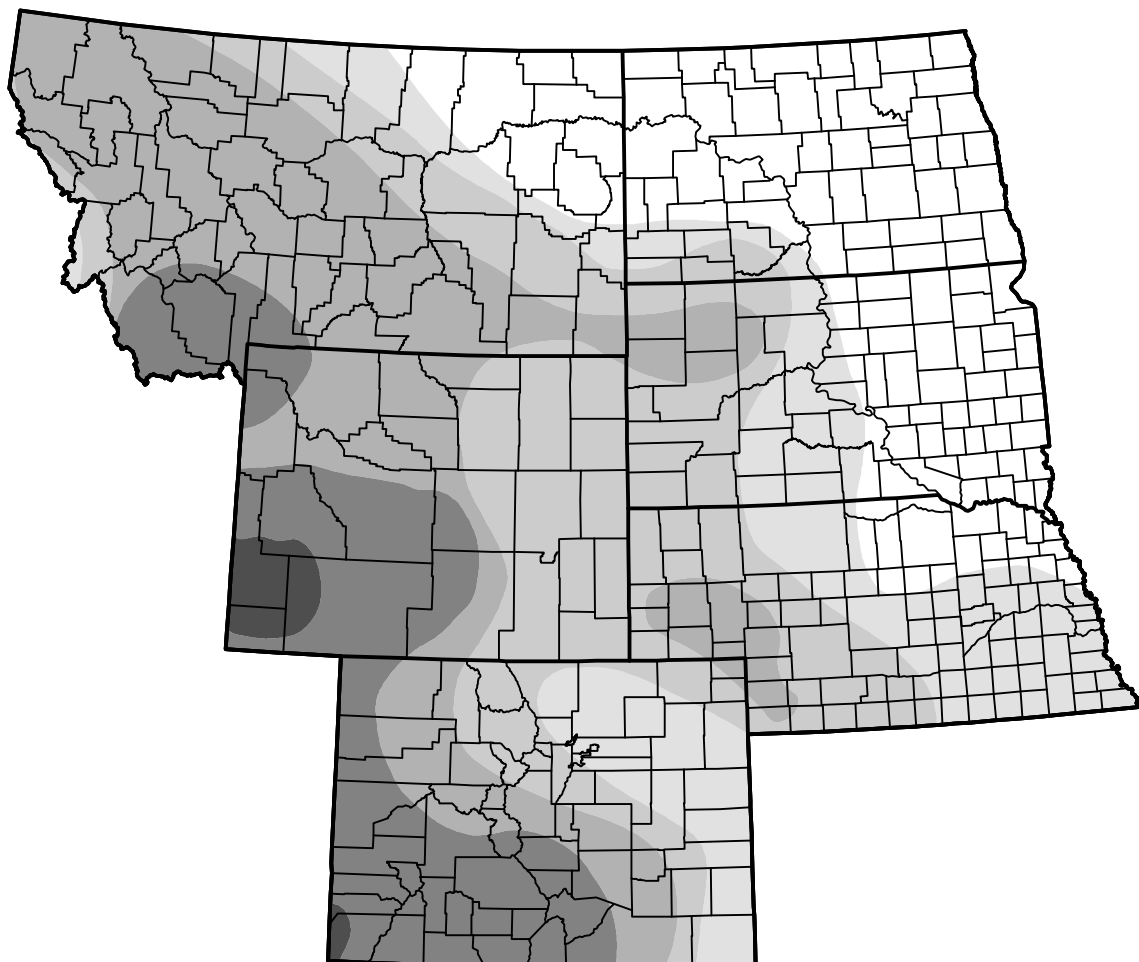


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	23.21	15.20	22.02	24.47	13.79	1.31
Last Week <i>07-08-2003</i>	28.73	19.92	16.59	21.32	12.31	1.12
3 Months Ago <i>04-15-2003</i>	3.87	8.77	23.12	31.08	31.97	1.20
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>07-16-2002</i>	12.12	10.73	14.12	24.97	28.23	9.83

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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