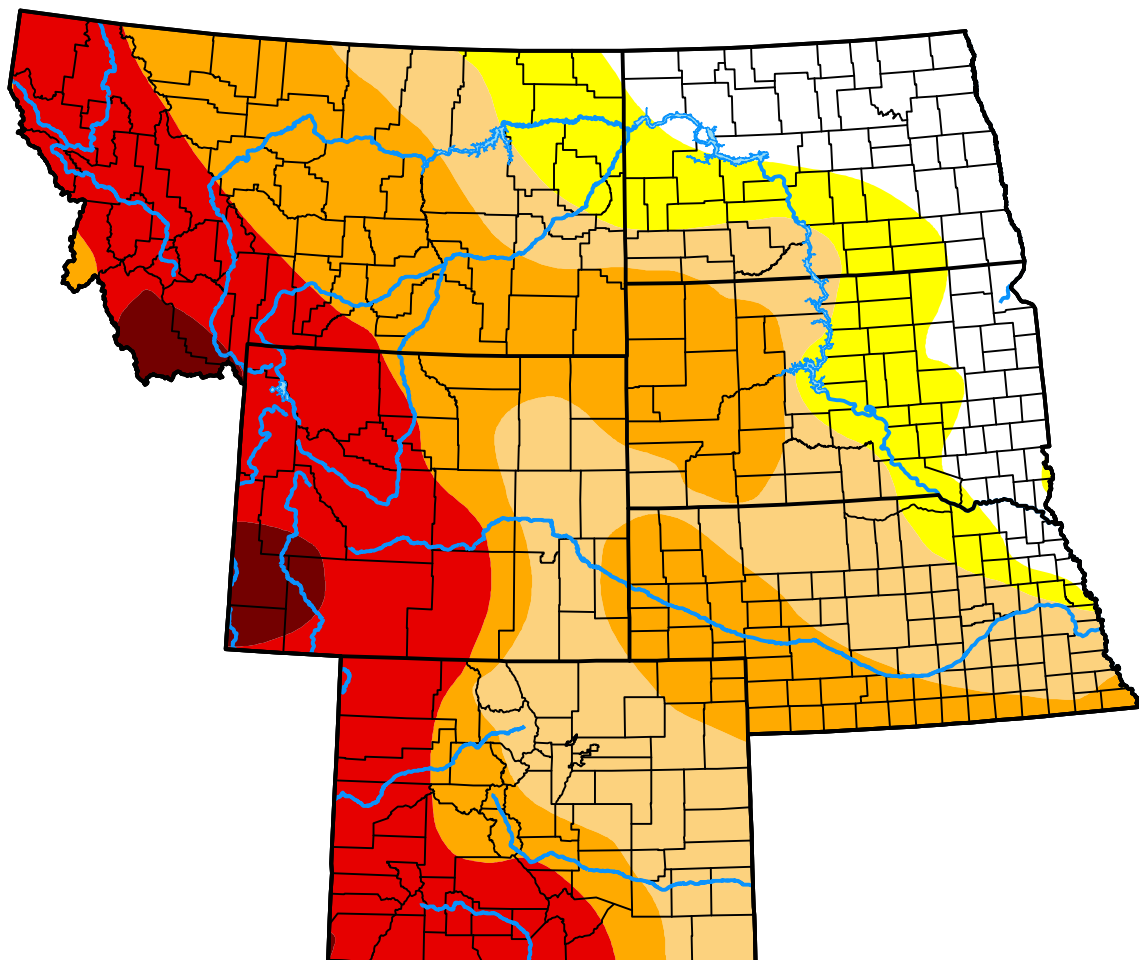


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	10.96	10.78	24.33	29.42	22.18	2.33
Last Week 07-29-2003	17.20	6.76	23.82	28.25	21.45	2.52
3 Months Ago 05-06-2003	7.55	11.59	29.75	29.78	19.96	1.37
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2002	5.32	11.53	11.95	22.22	44.73	4.25
Start of Water Year 10-01-2002	14.70	14.42	11.03	13.66	36.71	9.48
One Year Ago 08-06-2002	9.67	10.85	8.43	13.01	39.71	18.33

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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