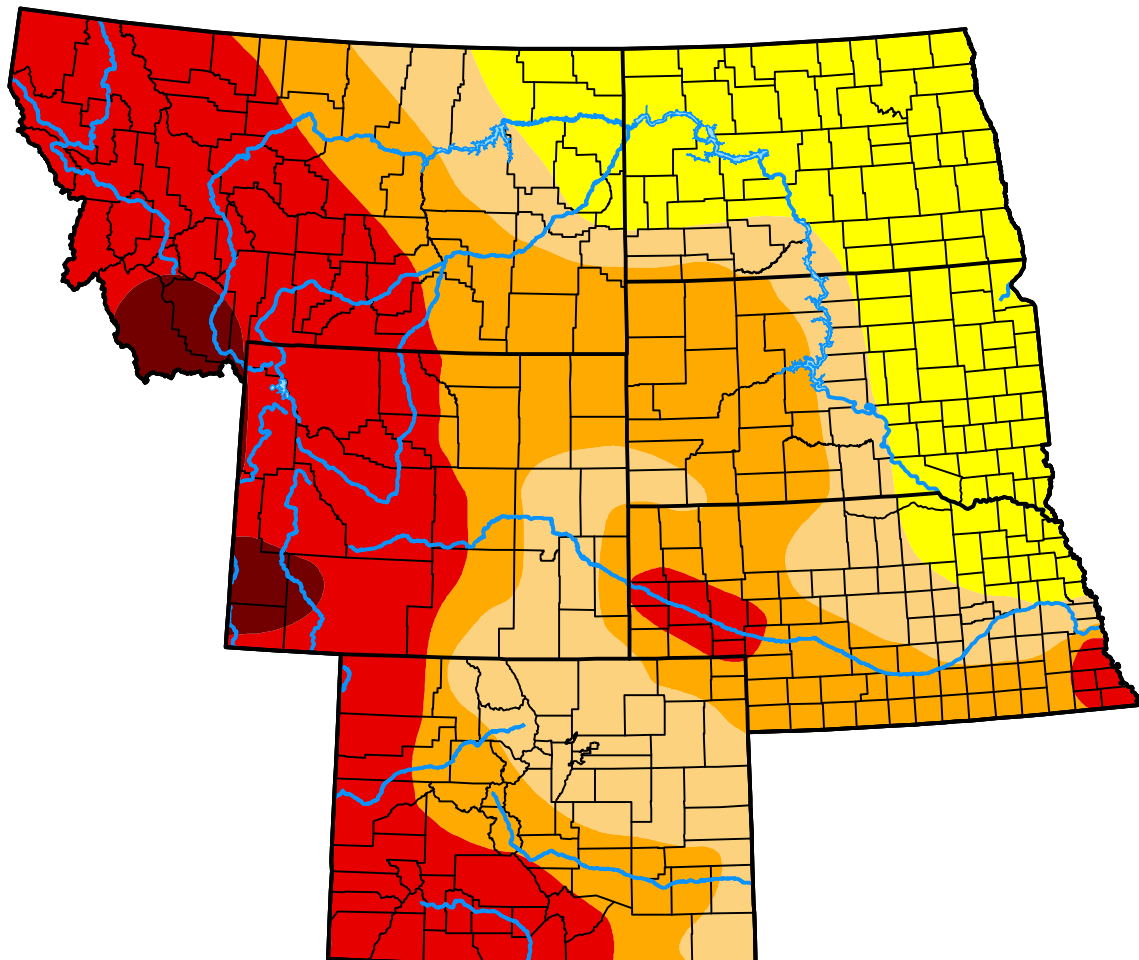


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	20.83	20.04	28.14	28.44	2.56
Last Week <i>08-12-2003</i>	12.19	9.32	21.22	32.65	22.27	2.35
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2003</i>	17.78	13.57	27.76	26.21	12.79	1.89
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>08-20-2002</i>	14.56	8.99	9.65	10.28	38.32	18.19

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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