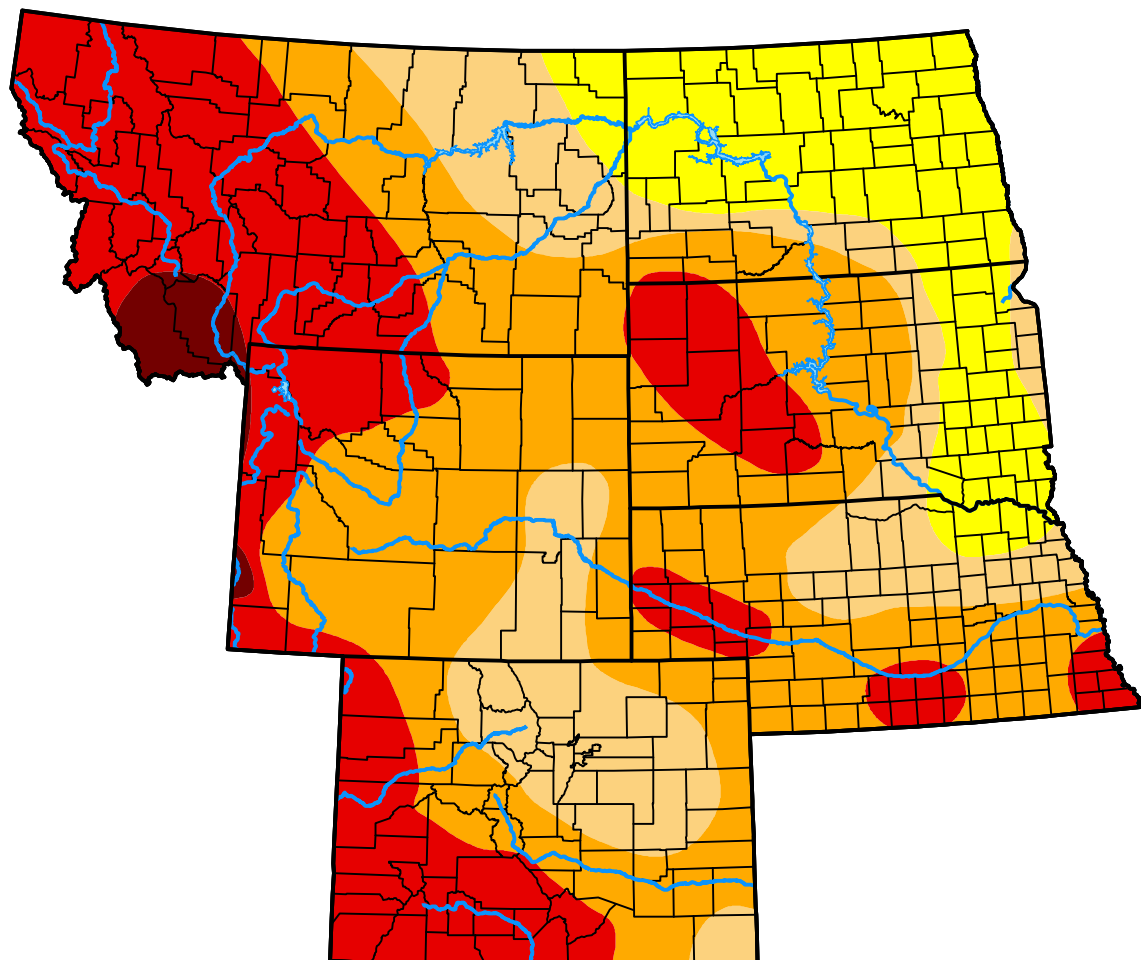


U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	14.47	18.88	37.12	27.78	1.74
Last Week <i>08-26-2003</i>	0.00	13.81	20.81	31.18	31.40	2.79
3 Months Ago <i>06-03-2003</i>	17.06	15.49	28.18	25.37	11.97	1.92
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>09-03-2002</i>	15.40	10.89	10.22	11.51	34.67	17.32

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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