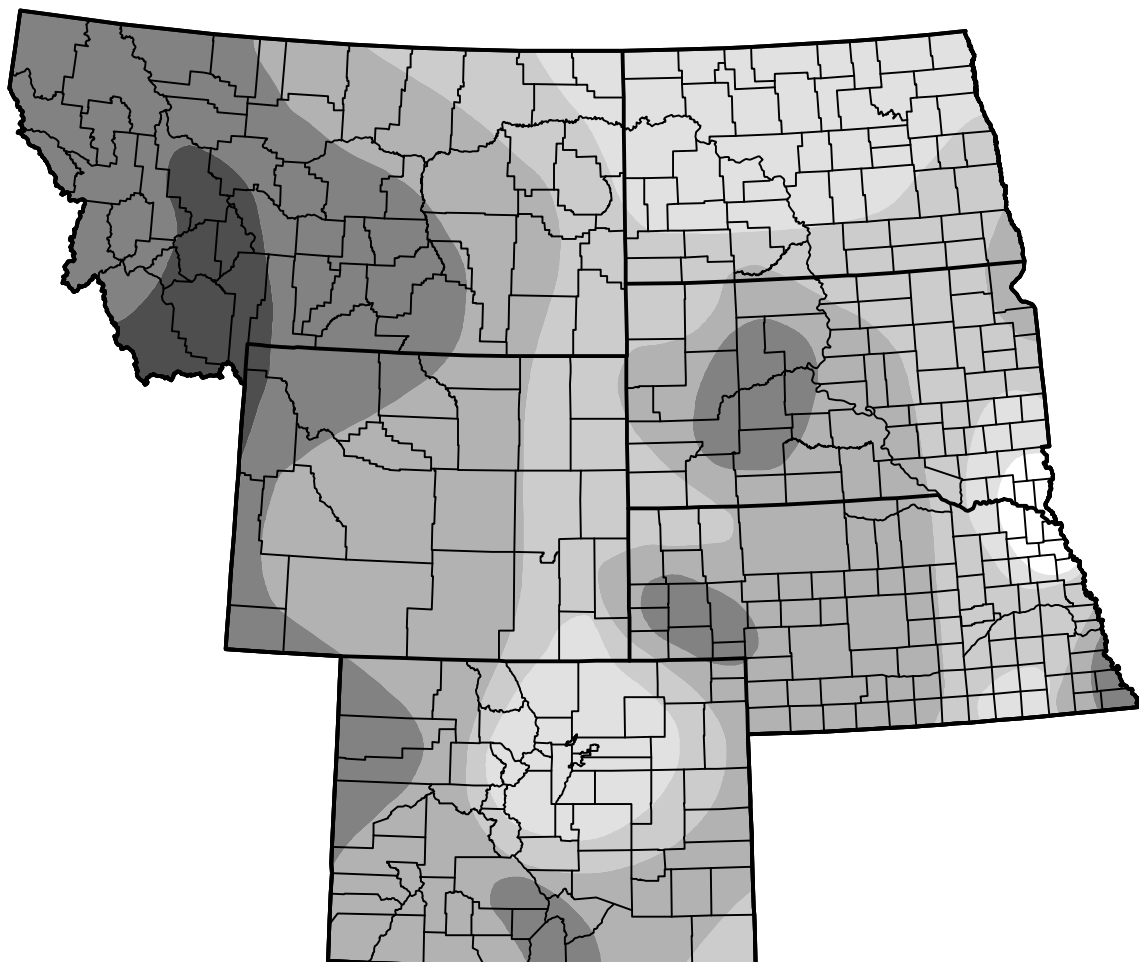


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USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.84	99.16	84.11	61.58	24.69	3.56
Last Week <i>09-16-2003</i>	0.81	99.19	84.18	62.87	26.46	4.31
3 Months Ago <i>06-24-2003</i>	23.60	76.40	58.47	33.71	12.33	1.71
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>09-24-2002</i>	16.15	83.85	73.40	60.95	47.32	10.11

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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