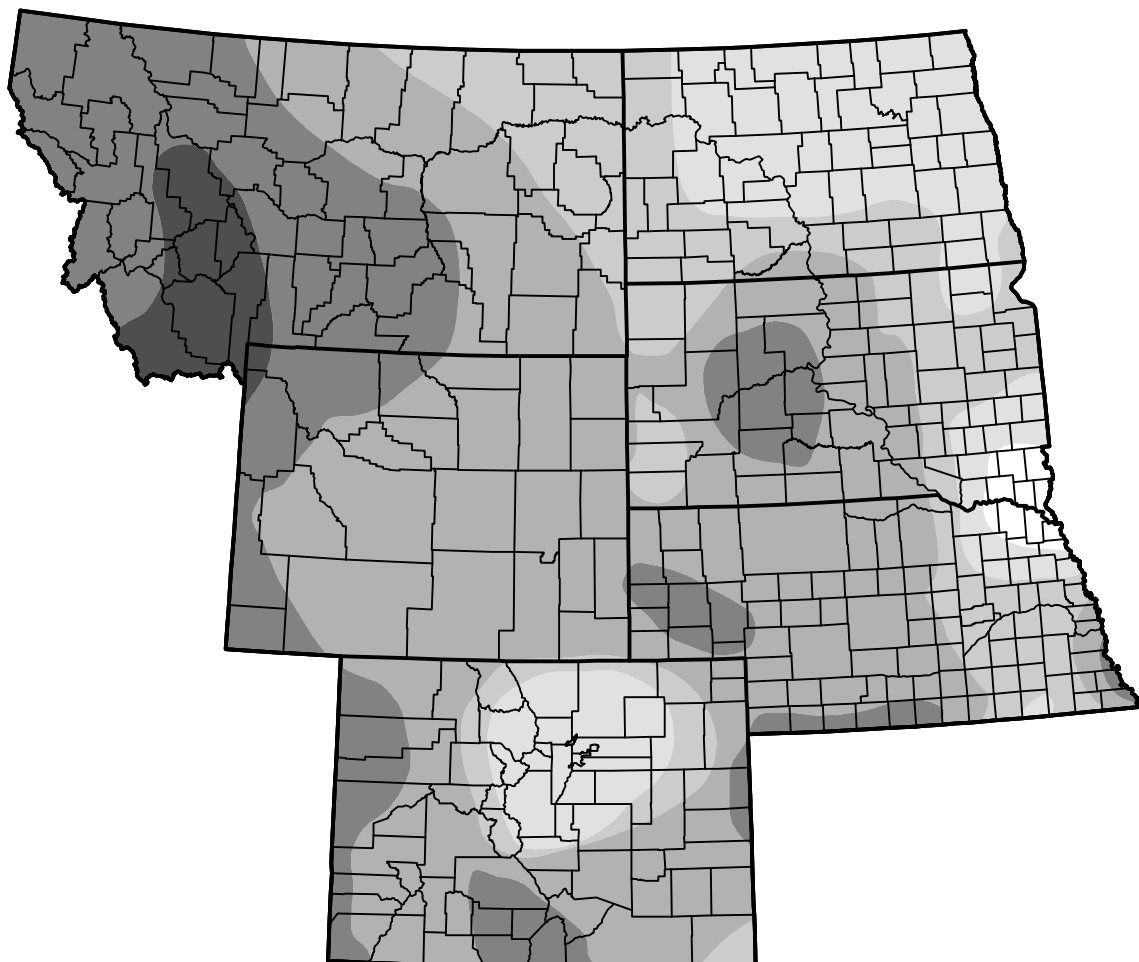


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.91	13.74	16.67	43.39	21.87	3.43
Last Week <i>10-21-2003</i>	0.87	15.04	16.15	43.18	21.39	3.38
3 Months Ago <i>07-29-2003</i>	17.20	6.76	23.82	28.25	21.45	2.52
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>09-30-2003</i>	0.79	14.94	22.87	36.55	21.28	3.57
One Year Ago <i>10-29-2002</i>	10.86	14.64	11.38	17.07	42.30	3.75

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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