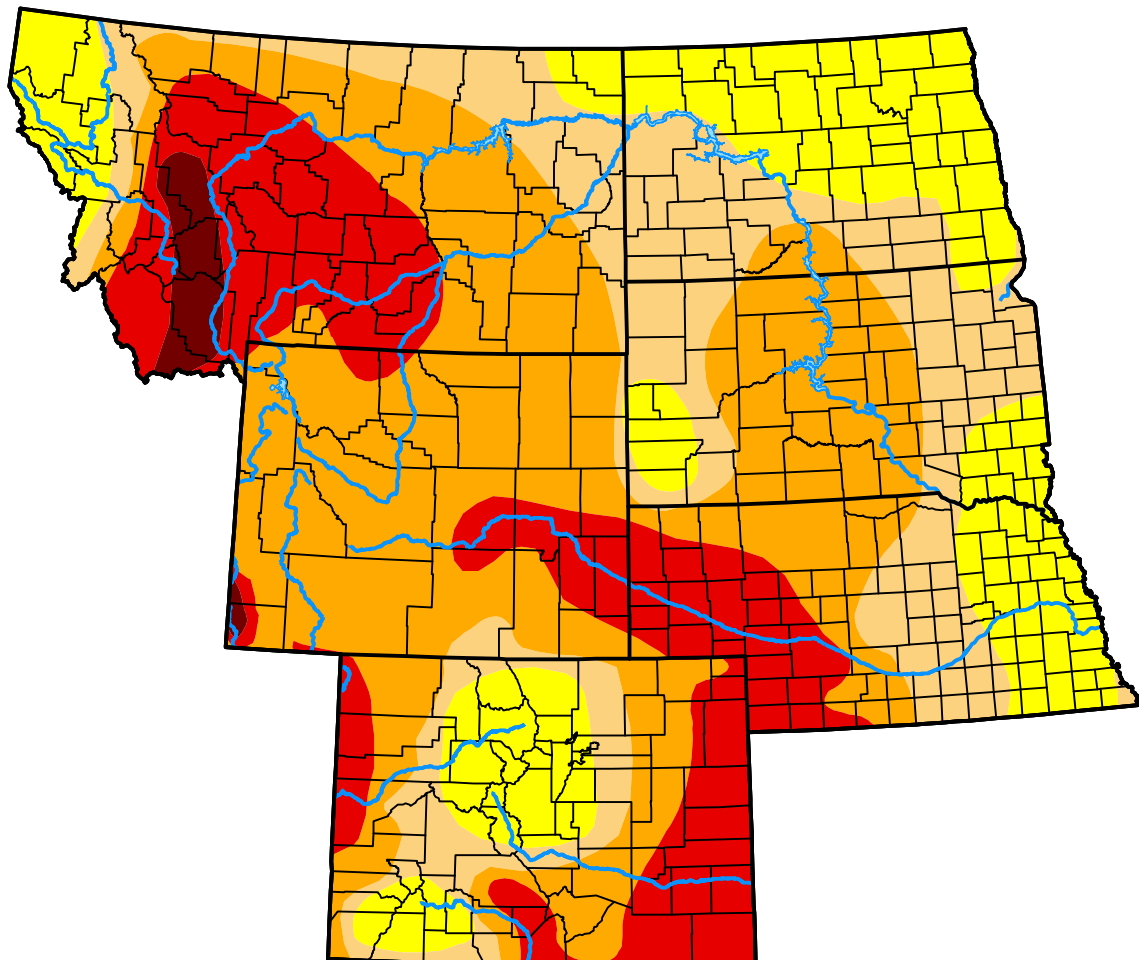


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	20.08	21.31	37.72	19.24	1.65
Last Week <i>02-24-2004</i>	0.00	17.90	20.85	37.73	21.83	1.69
3 Months Ago <i>12-02-2003</i>	1.00	15.01	19.24	43.11	17.81	3.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	0.00	16.29	18.77	42.96	18.35	3.63
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>03-04-2003</i>	0.00	11.13	13.82	16.93	47.67	10.44

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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