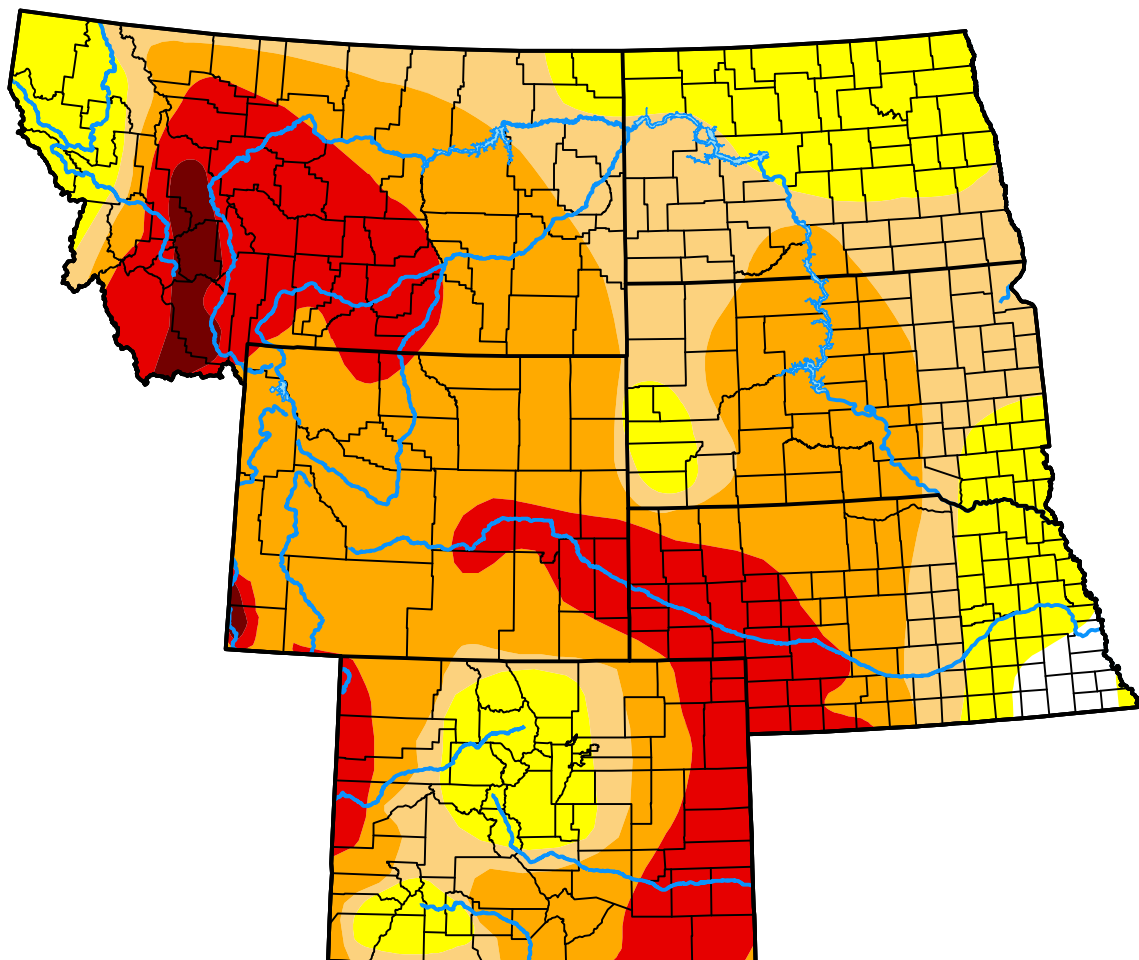


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	1.04	98.96	79.98	59.41	20.36	1.44
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-02-2004</i>	0.00	100.00	79.92	58.61	20.90	1.65
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-09-2003</i>	0.96	99.04	85.21	66.30	21.23	3.87
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2003</i>	0.00	100.00	83.71	64.94	21.98	3.63
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	0.79	99.21	84.27	61.39	24.85	3.57
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-11-2003</i>	0.03	99.97	88.53	74.51	54.93	8.78

### 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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