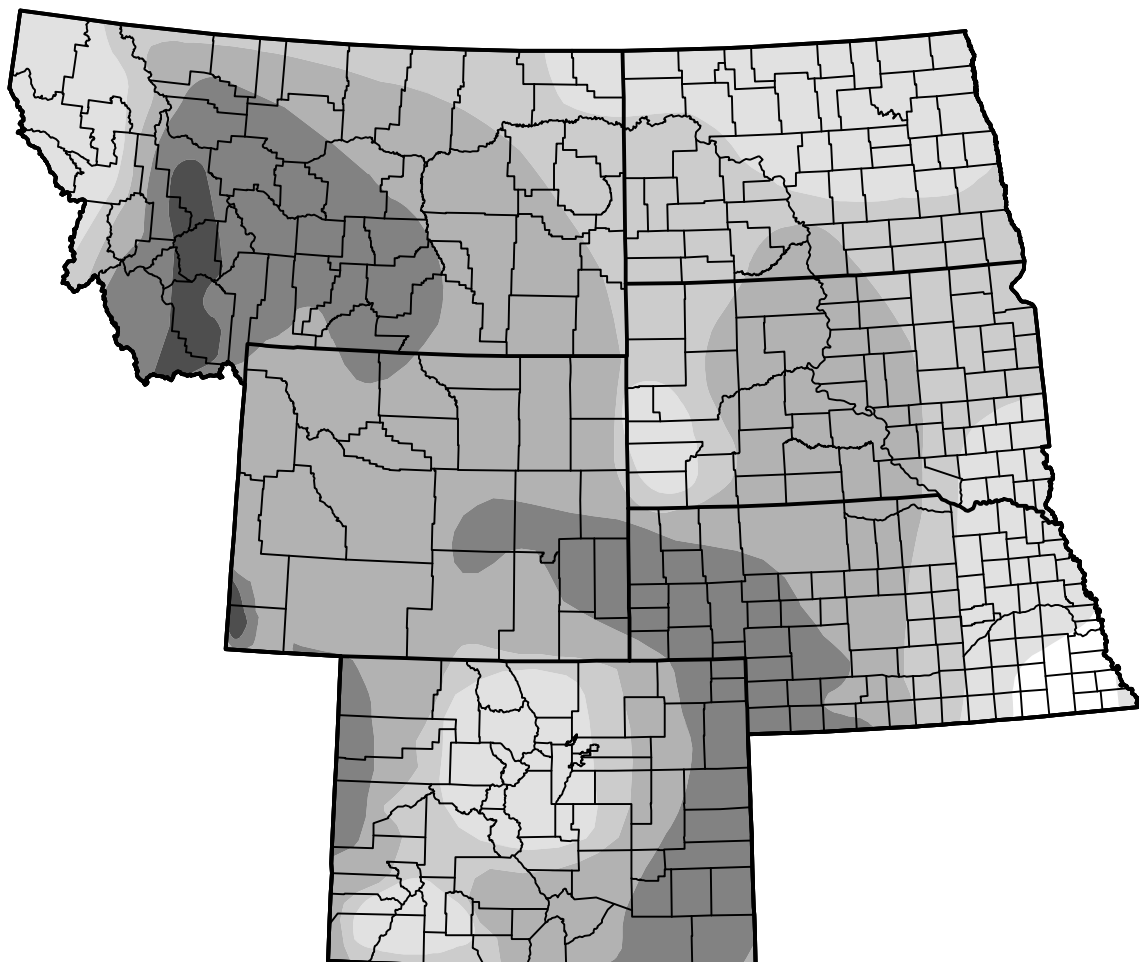


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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