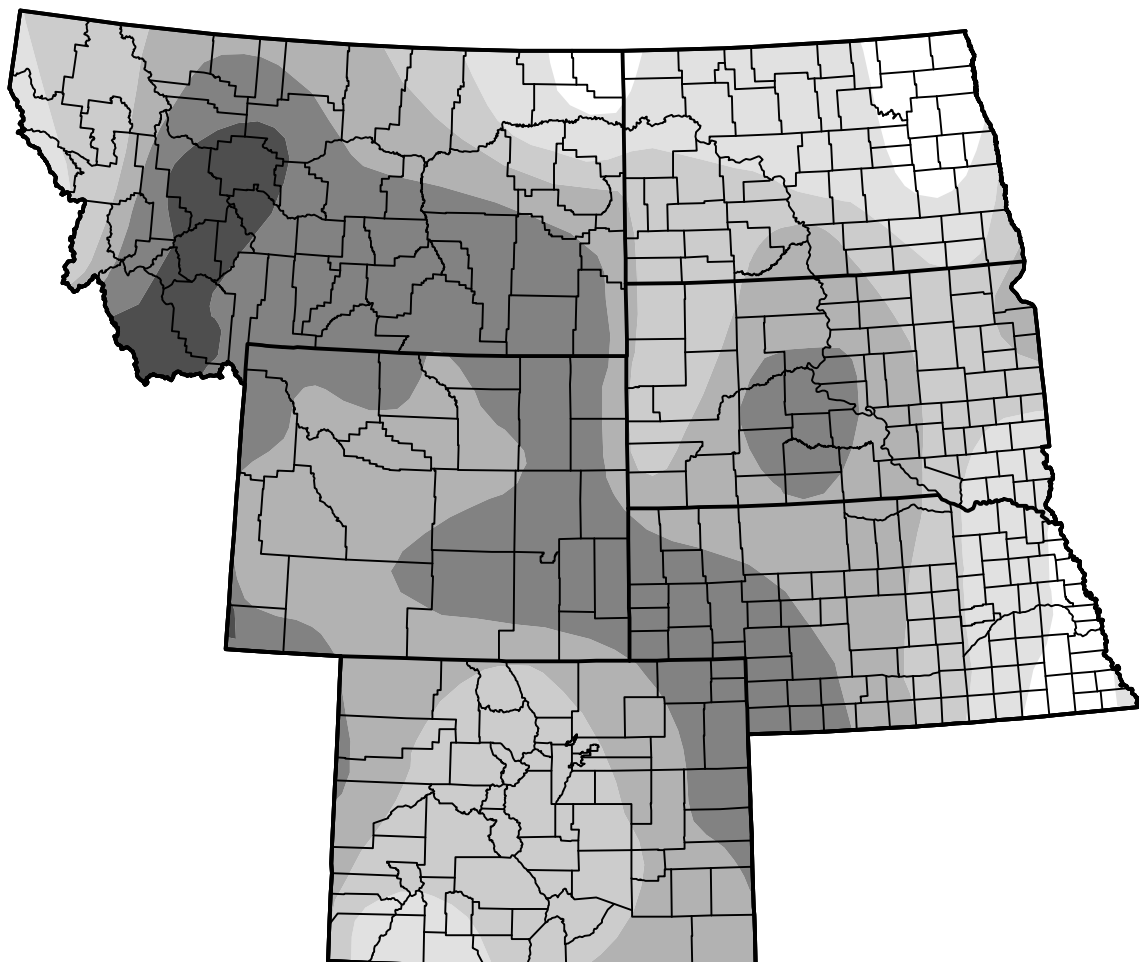


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USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.17	12.32	22.58	30.65	27.06	3.21
Last Week <i>04-27-2004</i>	4.61	11.91	24.47	34.93	22.15	1.92
3 Months Ago <i>02-03-2004</i>	0.00	17.95	20.65	39.11	19.87	2.42
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>05-06-2003</i>	7.55	11.59	29.75	29.78	19.96	1.37

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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