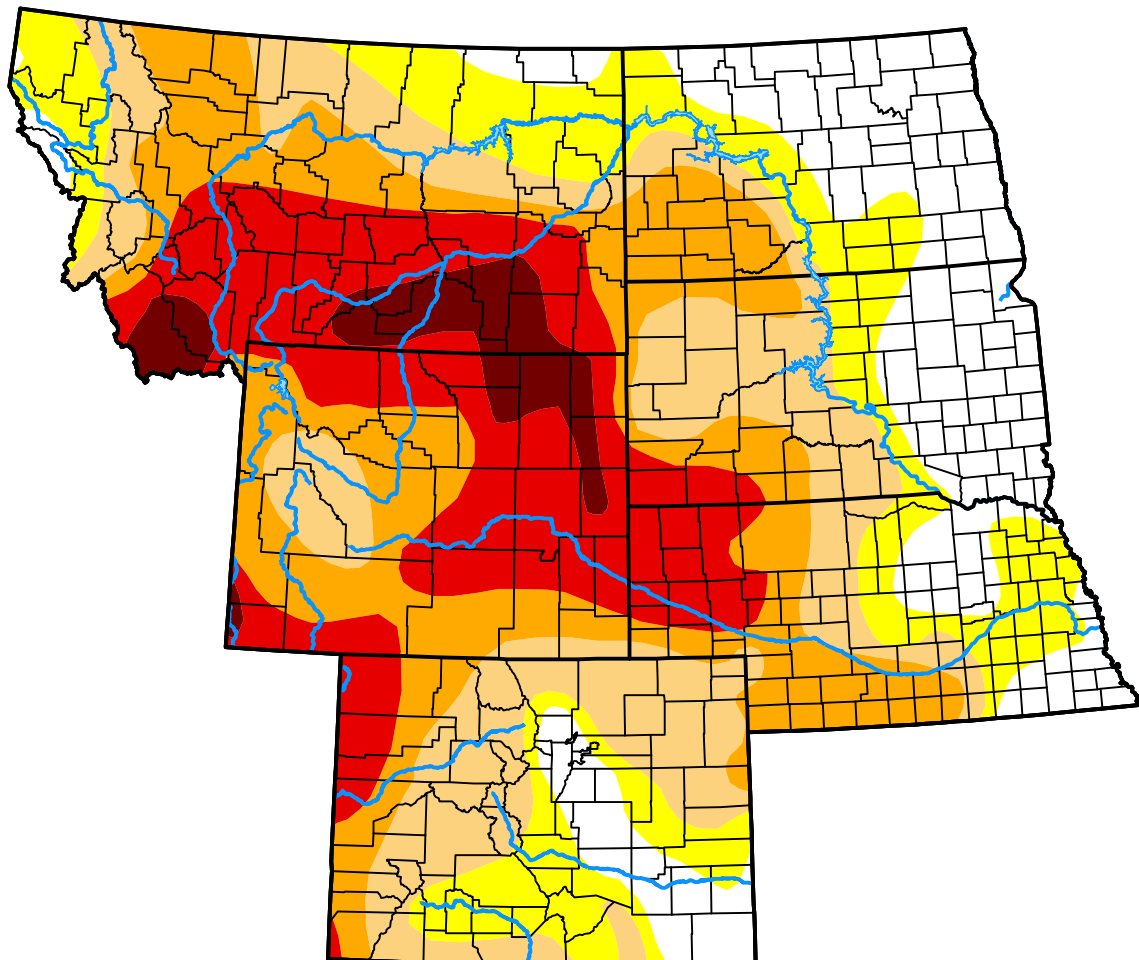


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	17.74	82.26	65.94	44.30	22.52	4.23
Last Week 08-17-2004	12.13	87.87	69.78	47.38	23.38	4.22
3 Months Ago 05-25-2004	10.85	89.15	79.75	56.55	30.90	2.01
Start of Calendar Year 12-30-2003	0.00	100.00	83.71	64.94	21.98	3.63
Start of Water Year 09-30-2003	0.79	99.21	84.27	61.39	24.85	3.57
One Year Ago 08-26-2003	0.00	100.00	86.19	65.38	34.20	2.79

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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