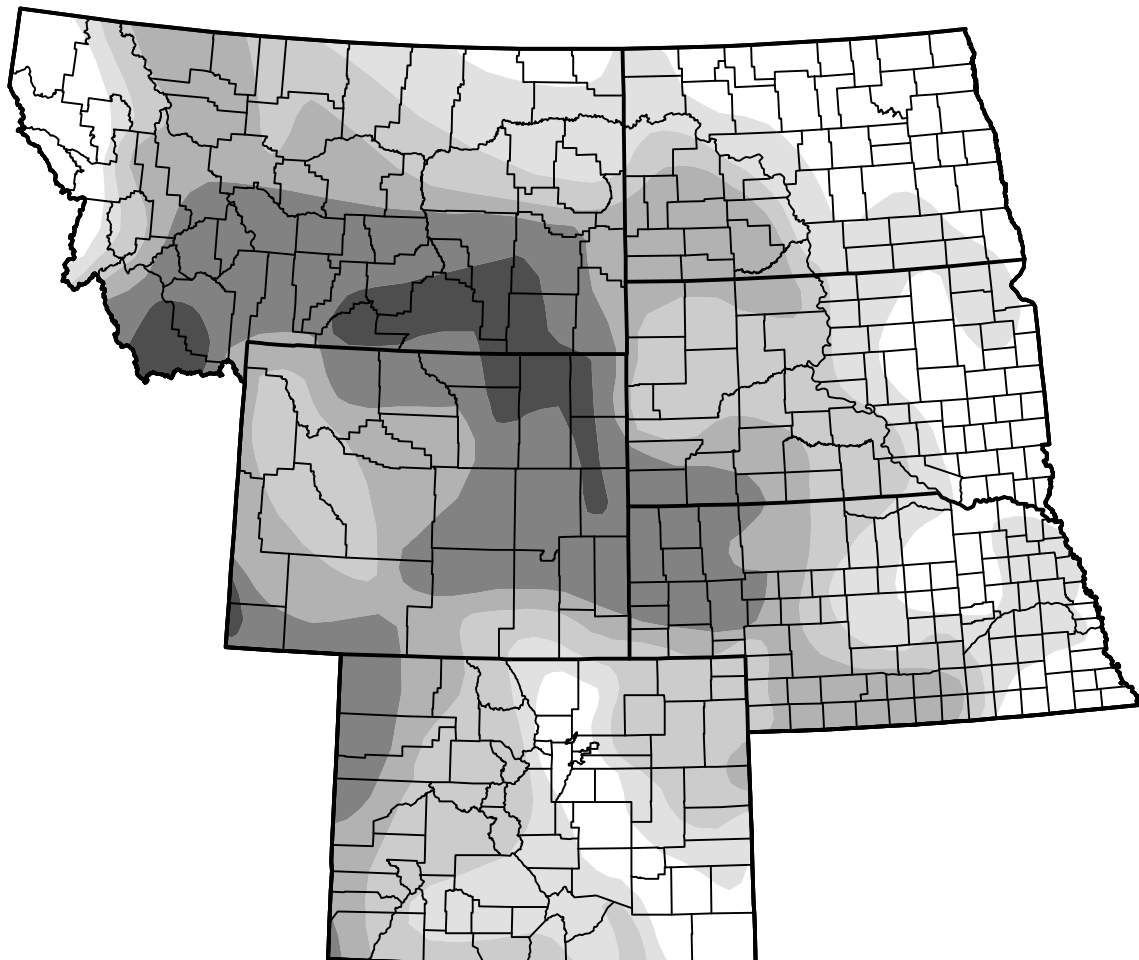


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	18.17	17.63	21.70	20.47	17.90	4.13
Last Week <i>08-24-2004</i>	17.74	16.32	21.64	21.78	18.29	4.23
3 Months Ago <i>06-01-2004</i>	15.85	7.97	19.47	26.51	28.19	2.01
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>09-02-2003</i>	0.00	14.47	18.88	37.12	27.78	1.74

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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