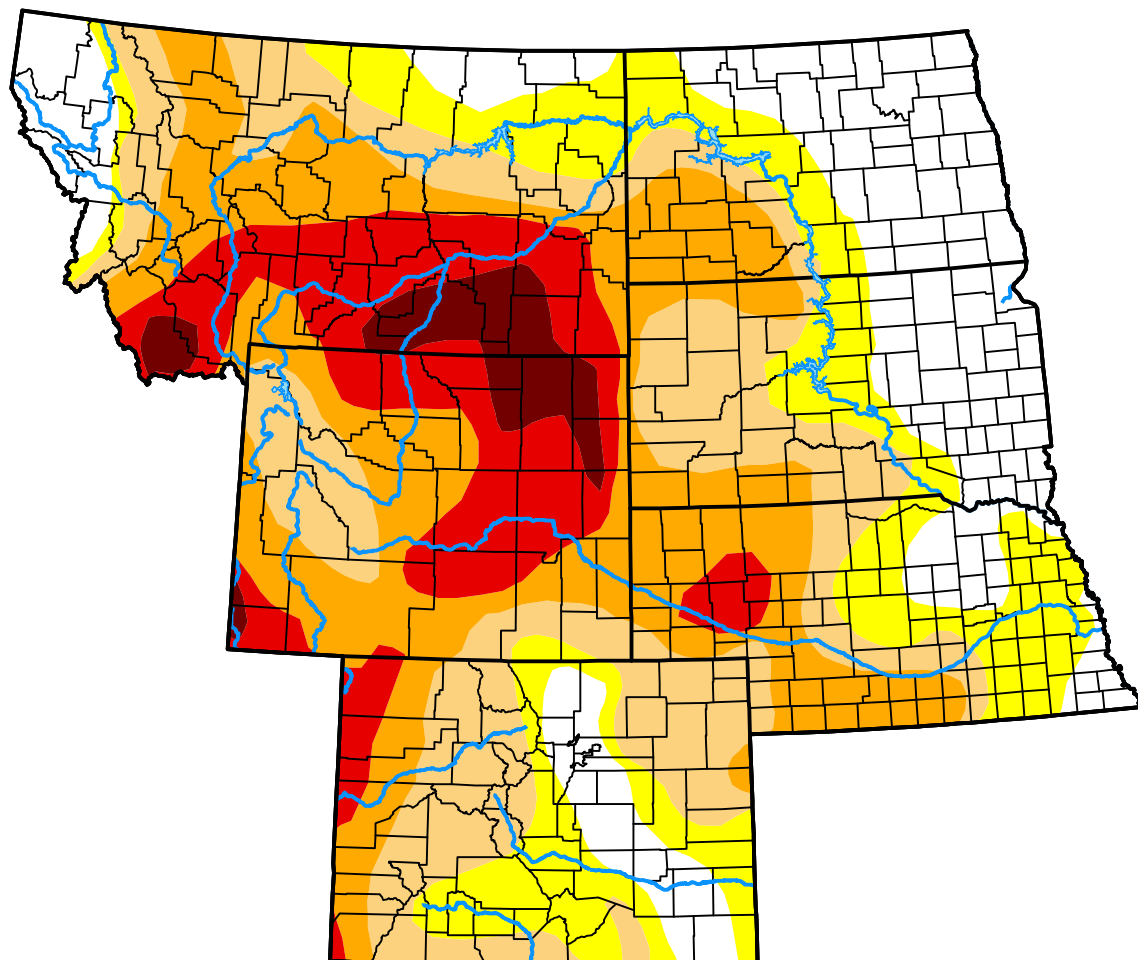


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	19.95	17.15	23.06	23.58	12.73	3.52
Last Week <i>09-07-2004</i>	20.25	16.59	22.15	22.97	14.04	4.01
3 Months Ago <i>06-15-2004</i>	18.82	7.79	19.14	25.23	24.54	4.48
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>09-16-2003</i>	0.81	15.01	21.30	36.42	22.15	4.31

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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