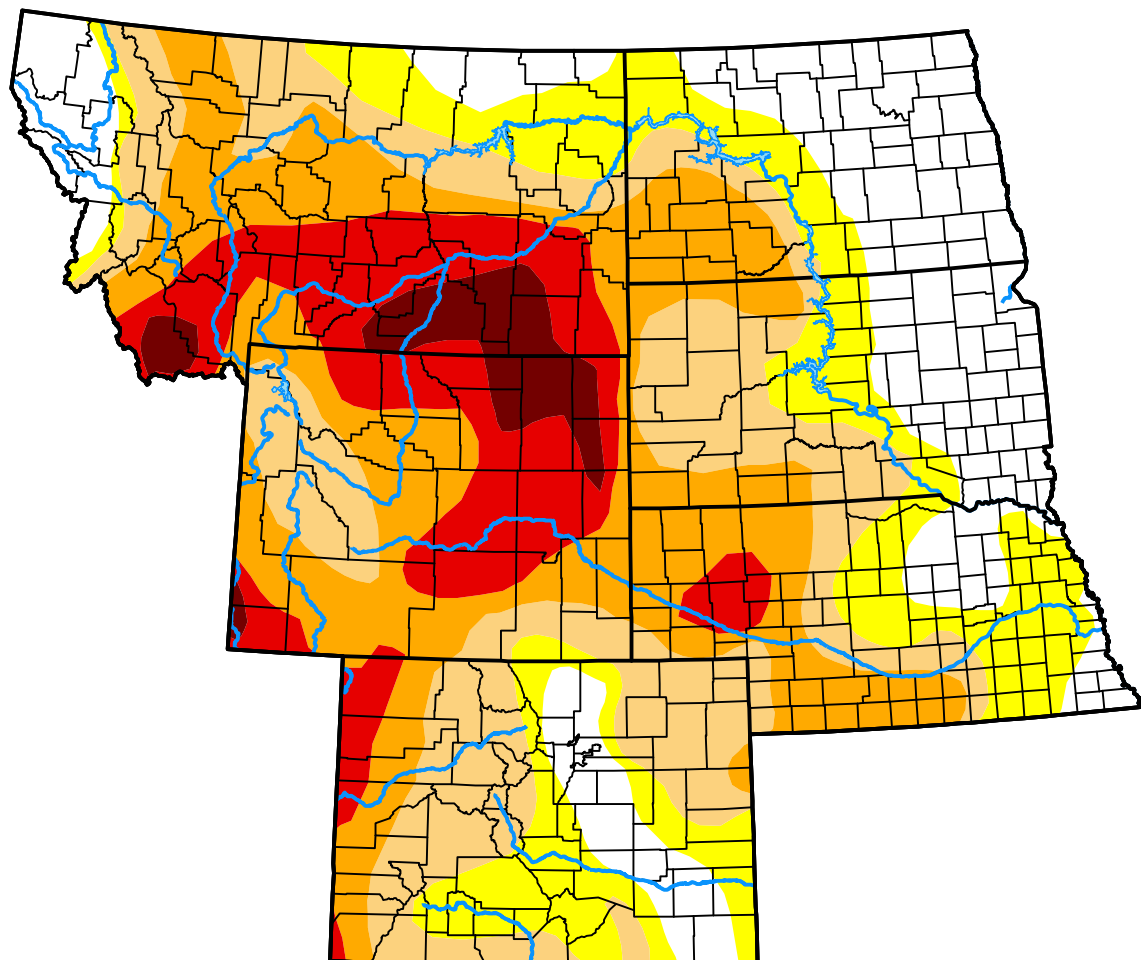


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	19.95	80.05	62.90	39.83	16.25	3.52
Last Week <i>09-07-2004</i>	20.25	79.75	63.16	41.01	18.05	4.01
3 Months Ago <i>06-15-2004</i>	18.82	81.18	73.39	54.25	29.02	4.48
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>09-16-2003</i>	0.81	99.19	84.18	62.87	26.46	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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