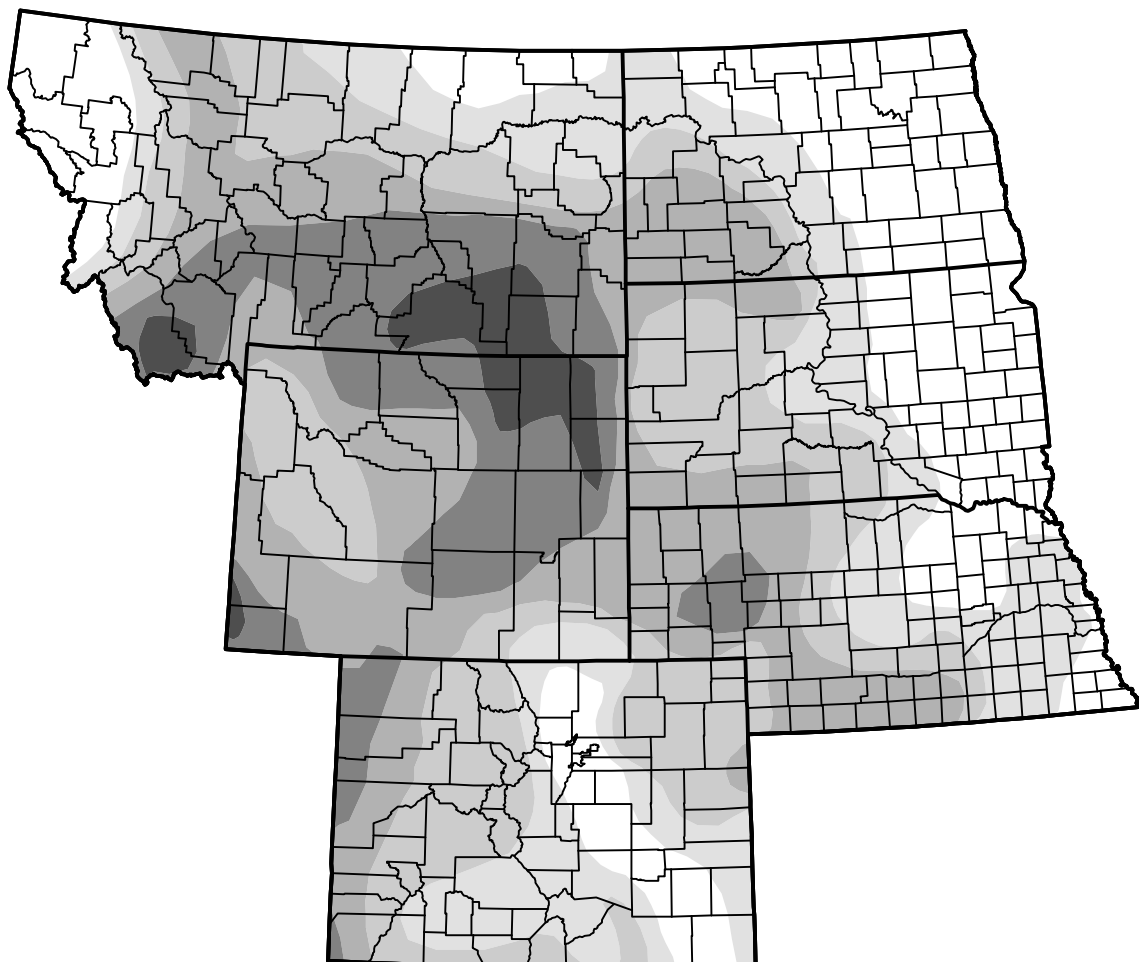


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.92	79.08	61.18	38.90	16.25	3.35
Last Week <i>09-14-2004</i>	19.95	80.05	62.90	39.83	16.25	3.52
3 Months Ago <i>06-22-2004</i>	18.91	81.09	72.77	53.58	23.49	4.19
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>09-23-2003</i>	0.84	99.16	84.11	61.58	24.69	3.56

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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