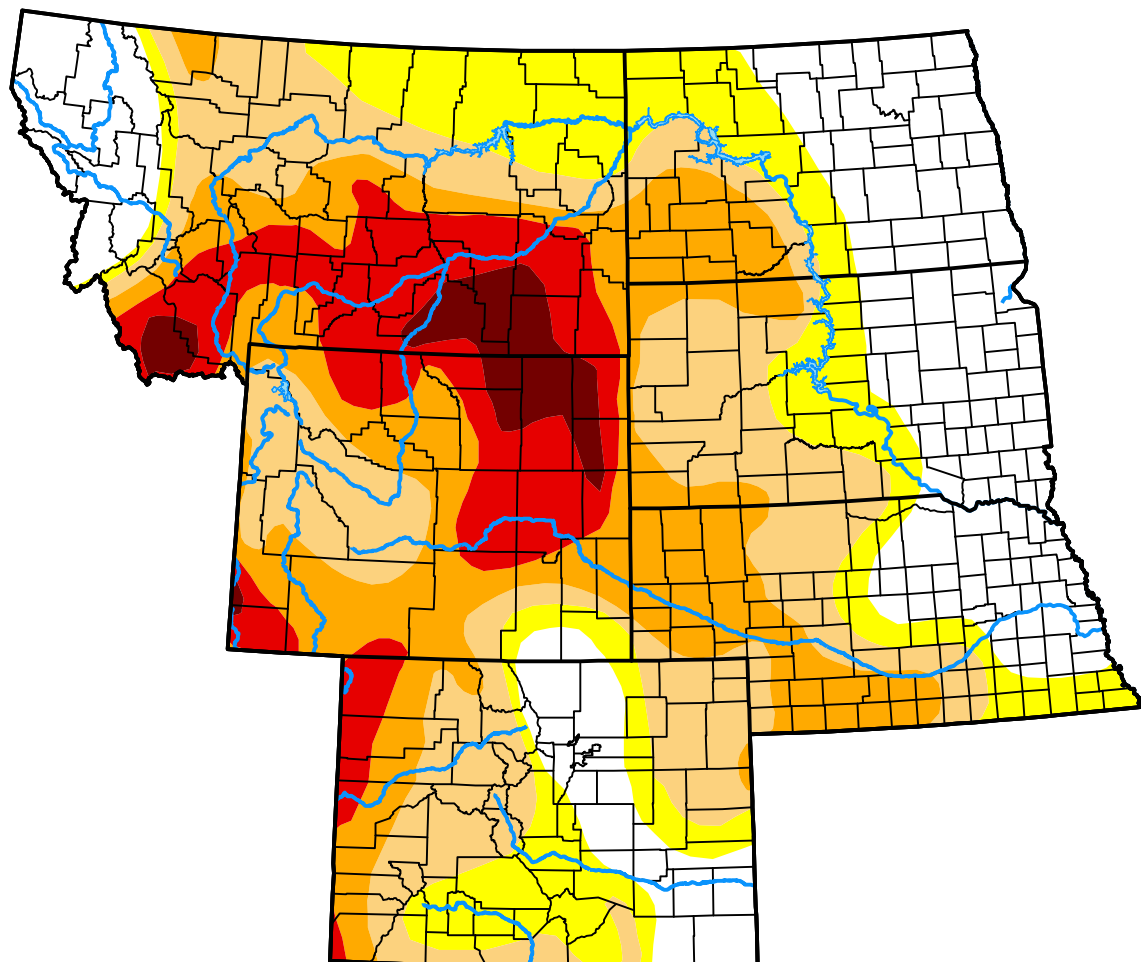


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USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	23.87	76.13	59.33	34.68	14.34	3.13
Last Week <i>10-19-2004</i>	23.87	76.13	59.33	34.75	14.57	3.19
3 Months Ago <i>07-27-2004</i>	18.70	81.30	68.23	48.08	21.01	4.83
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>09-28-2004</i>	25.67	74.33	60.29	38.26	16.18	3.35
One Year Ago <i>10-28-2003</i>	0.91	99.09	85.35	68.69	25.30	3.43

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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