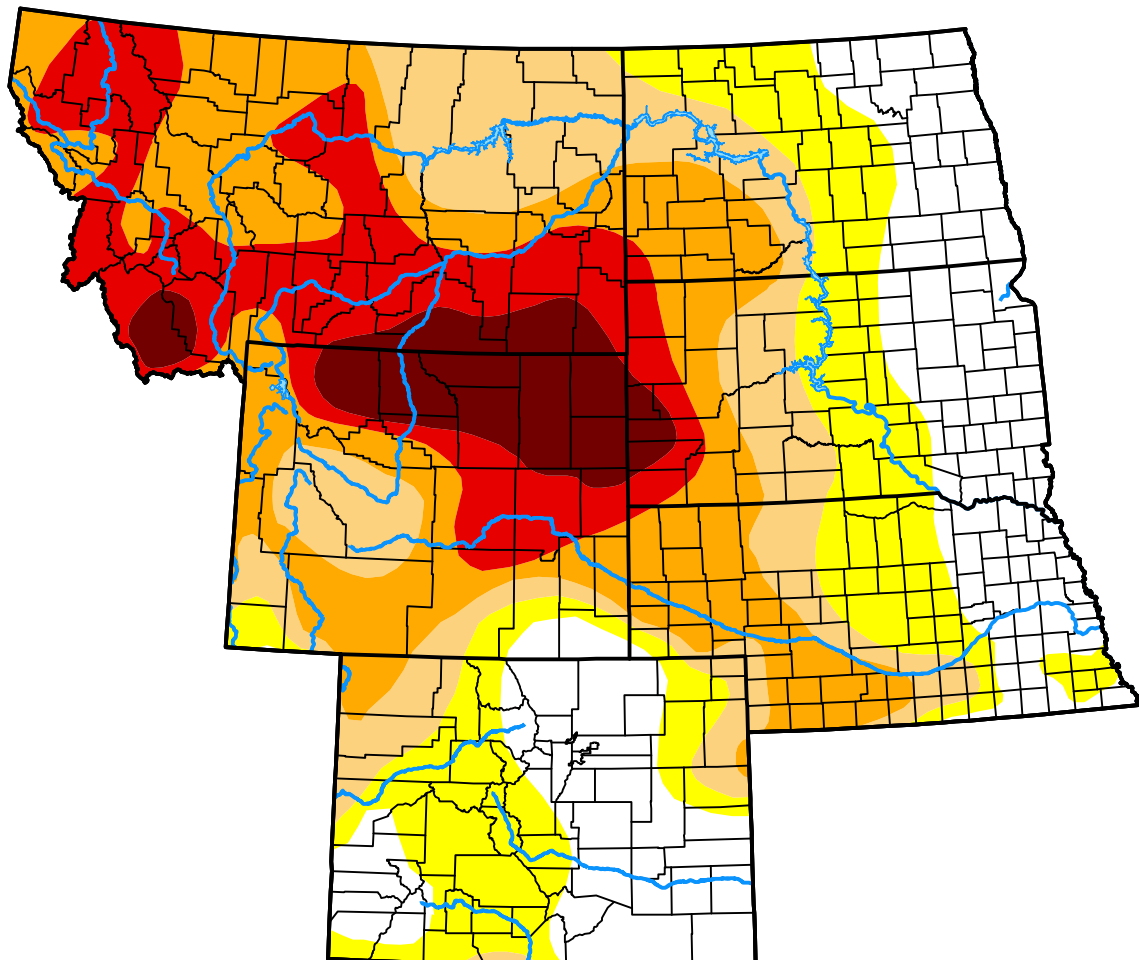


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USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	21.73	17.79	17.17	22.15	14.61	6.56
Last Week <i>04-12-2005</i>	22.98	16.53	17.17	21.06	15.97	6.29
3 Months Ago <i>01-18-2005</i>	18.81	23.57	22.20	20.80	11.39	3.22
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	21.51	20.08	22.67	21.85	10.61	3.27
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	25.67	14.04	22.03	22.08	12.83	3.35
One Year Ago <i>04-20-2004</i>	4.61	12.17	22.94	34.51	23.85	1.92

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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