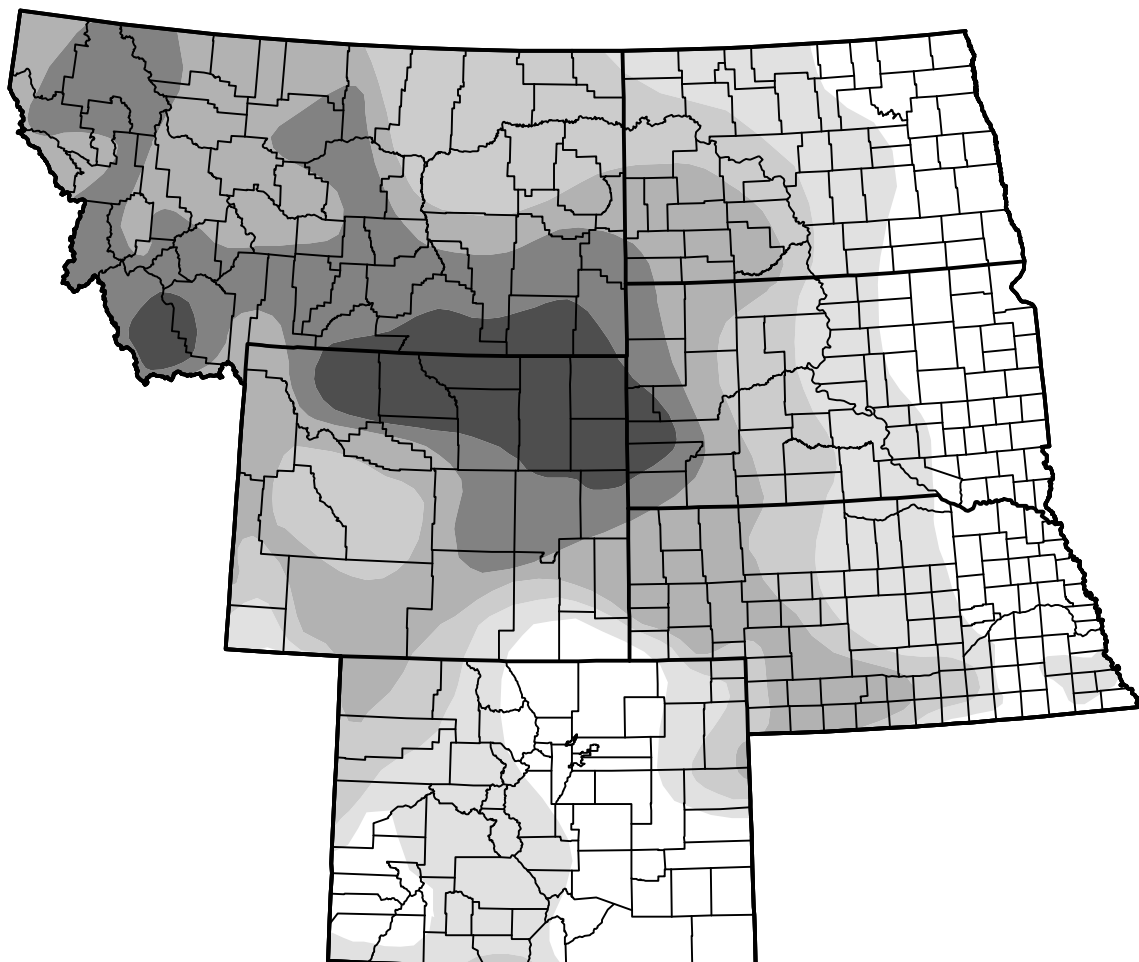


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USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	21.73	78.27	60.49	43.32	21.17	6.56
Last Week <i>04-12-2005</i>	22.98	77.02	60.49	43.32	22.25	6.29
3 Months Ago <i>01-18-2005</i>	18.81	81.19	57.61	35.41	14.61	3.22
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	21.51	78.49	58.40	35.73	13.88	3.27
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>04-20-2004</i>	4.61	95.39	83.22	60.28	25.77	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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