

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

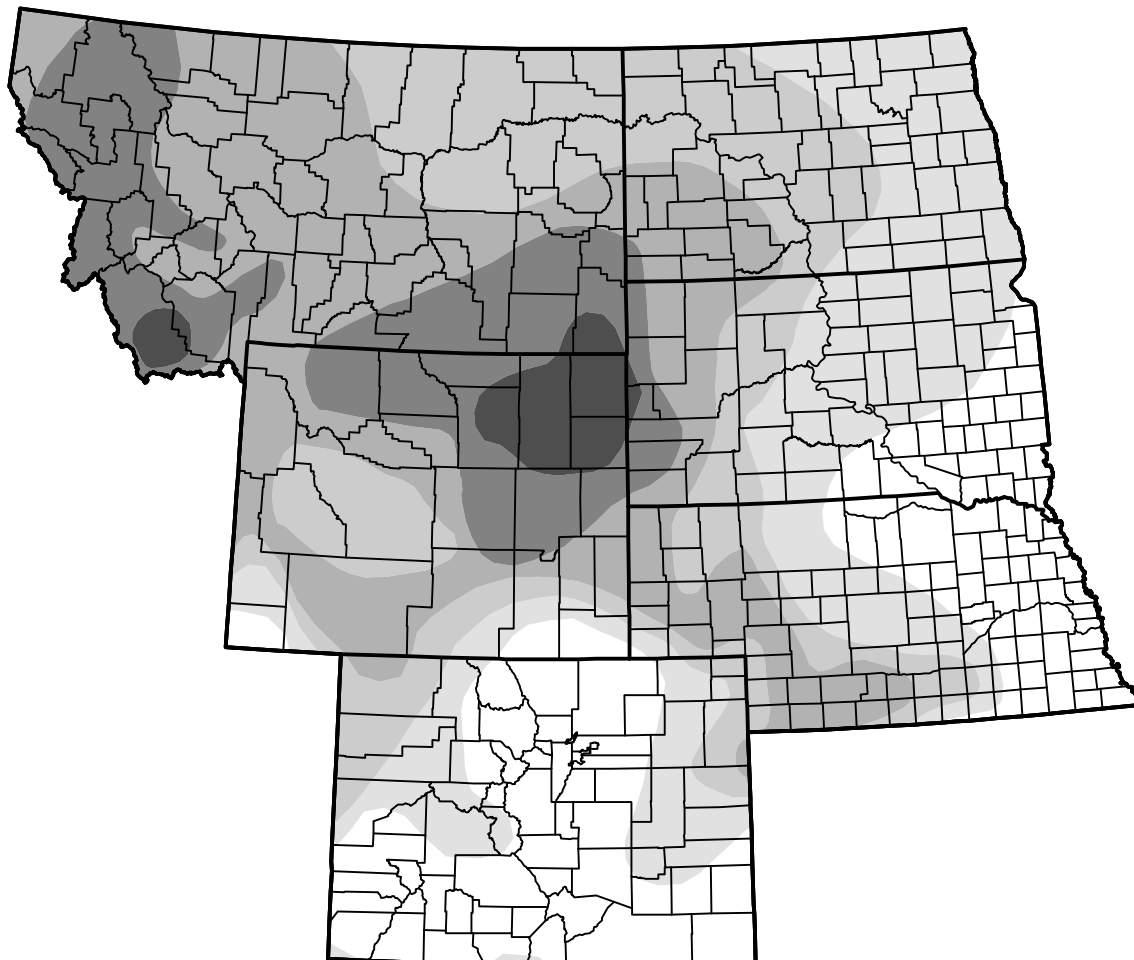
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	20.48	79.52	60.46	40.27	16.38	2.87
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-26-2005</i>	21.62	78.38	61.10	40.78	16.85	3.81
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-01-2005</i>	16.74	83.26	61.14	40.48	15.54	3.22
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2005</i>	21.51	78.49	58.40	35.73	13.88	3.27
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2004</i>	25.67	74.33	60.29	38.26	16.18	3.35
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-04-2004</i>	4.17	95.83	83.50	60.92	30.27	3.21



***Intensity:***



*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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