

# U.S. Drought Monitor

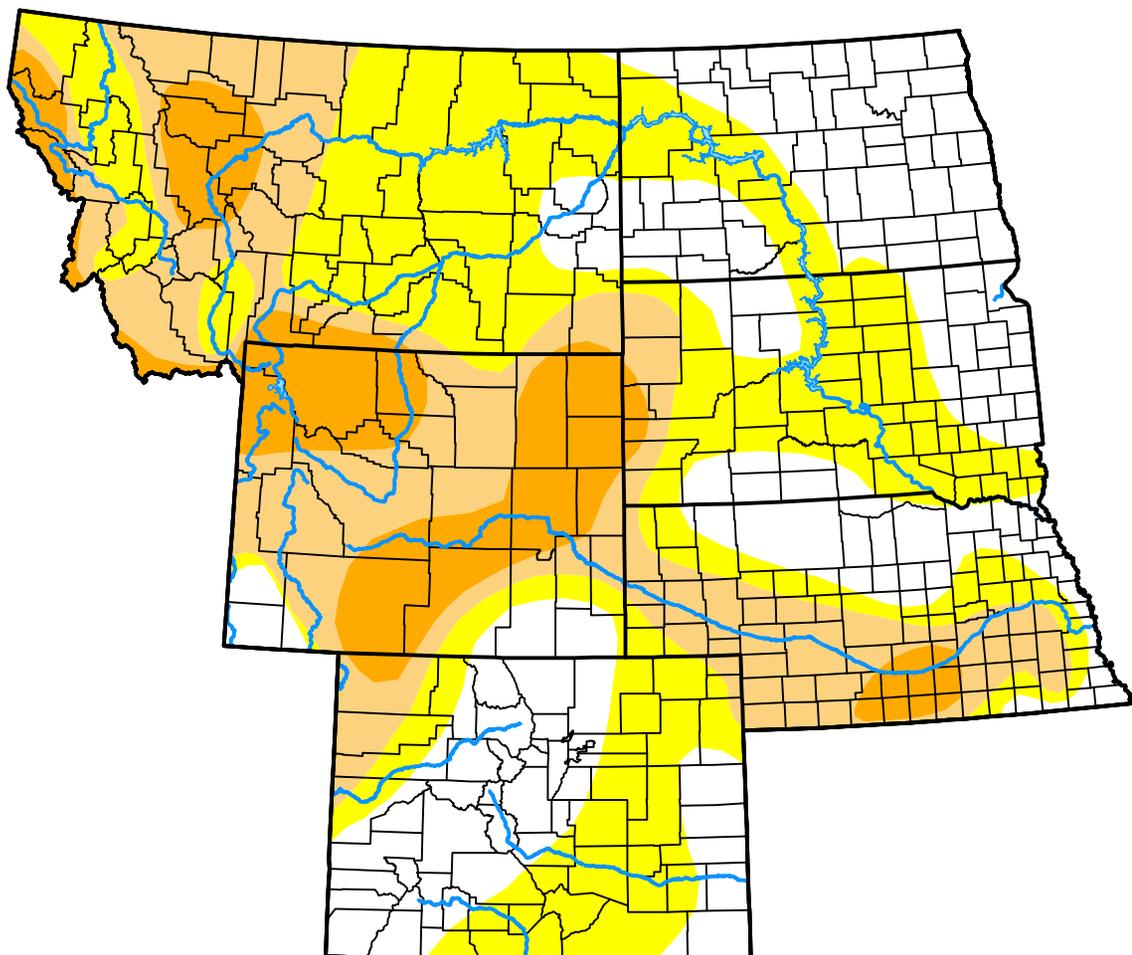
## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 30.55 | 69.45 | 34.23 | 12.54 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-09-2005</i>              | 22.94 | 77.06 | 37.90 | 15.75 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-17-2005</i>           | 27.93 | 72.07 | 56.61 | 29.72 | 6.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 21.51 | 78.49 | 58.40 | 35.73 | 13.88 | 3.27 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 25.67 | 74.33 | 60.29 | 38.26 | 16.18 | 3.35 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-17-2004</i>           | 12.13 | 87.87 | 69.78 | 47.38 | 23.38 | 4.22 |



***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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