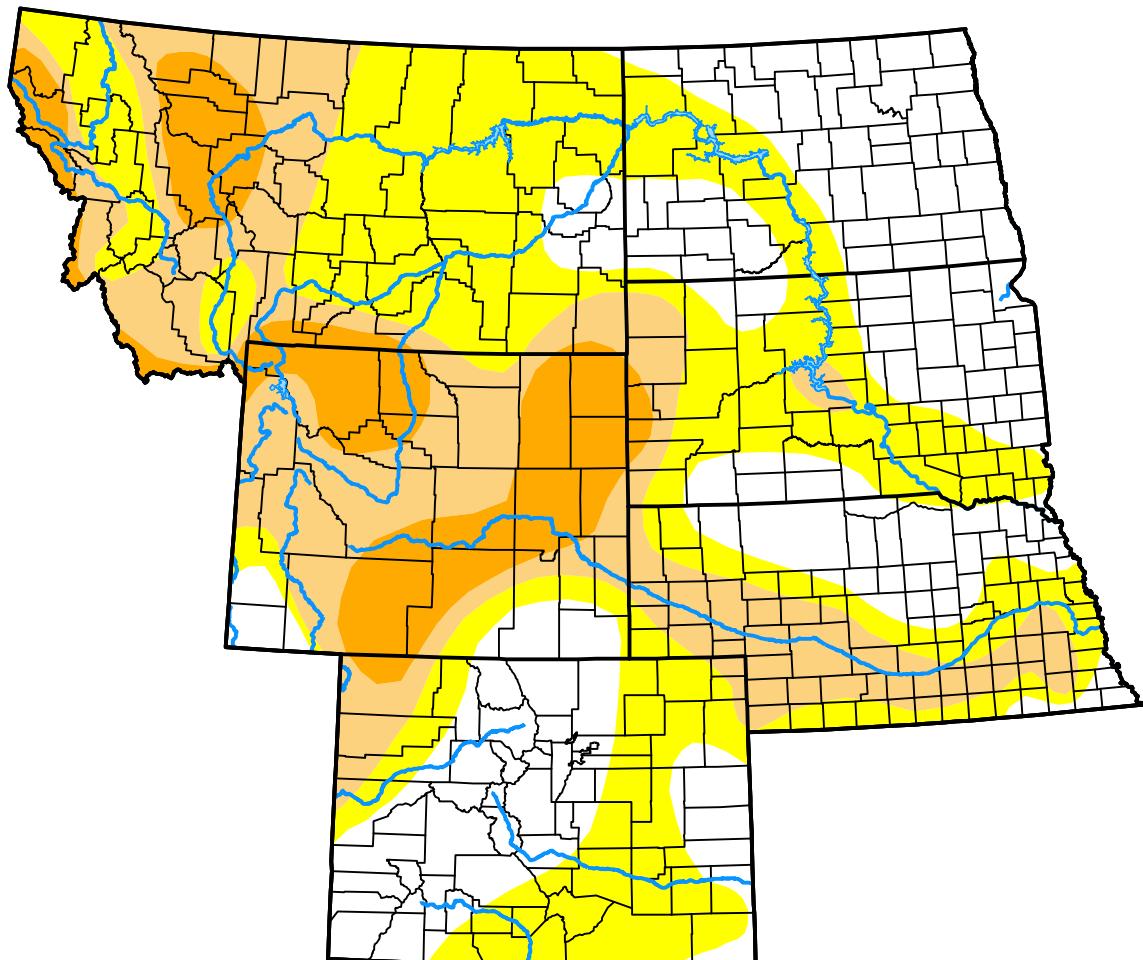


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	31.73	68.27	32.89	11.16	0.00	0.00
Last Week 08-23-2005	31.76	68.24	33.32	10.93	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-31-2005	27.92	72.08	54.56	29.72	6.04	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2005	21.51	78.49	58.40	35.73	13.88	3.27
Start of Water Year 09-28-2004	25.67	74.33	60.29	38.26	16.18	3.35
One Year Ago 08-31-2004	18.17	81.83	64.21	42.50	22.04	4.13

Intensity:

	None		D2 Severe Drought
	D0 Abnormally Dry		D3 Extreme Drought
	D1 Moderate Drought		D4 Exceptional Drought

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