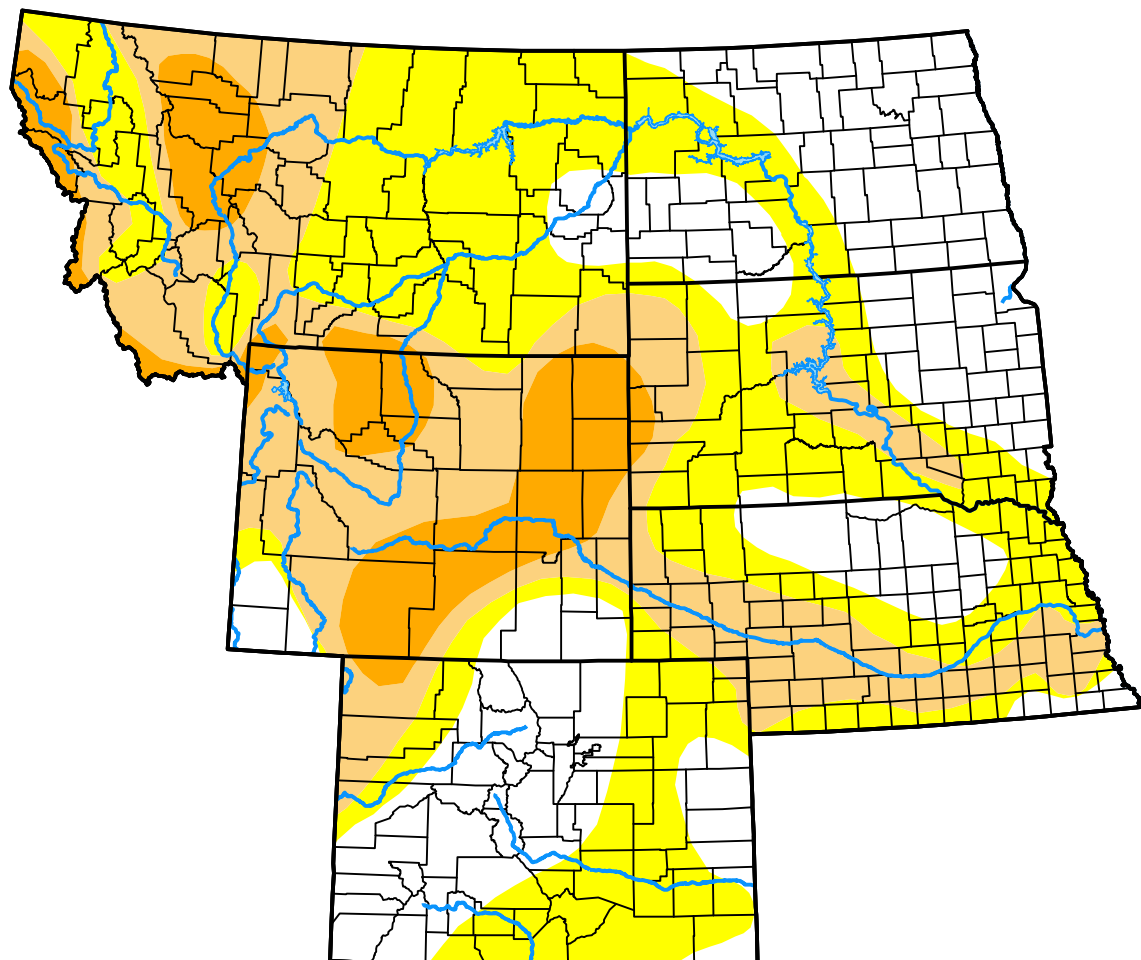


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	29.37	35.92	24.00	10.70	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>09-13-2005</i>	29.92	35.58	23.34	11.16	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-21-2005</i>	39.98	18.75	26.47	14.80	0.00	0.00
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>09-21-2004</i>	20.92	17.90	22.27	22.65	12.90	3.35

Intensity:

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

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