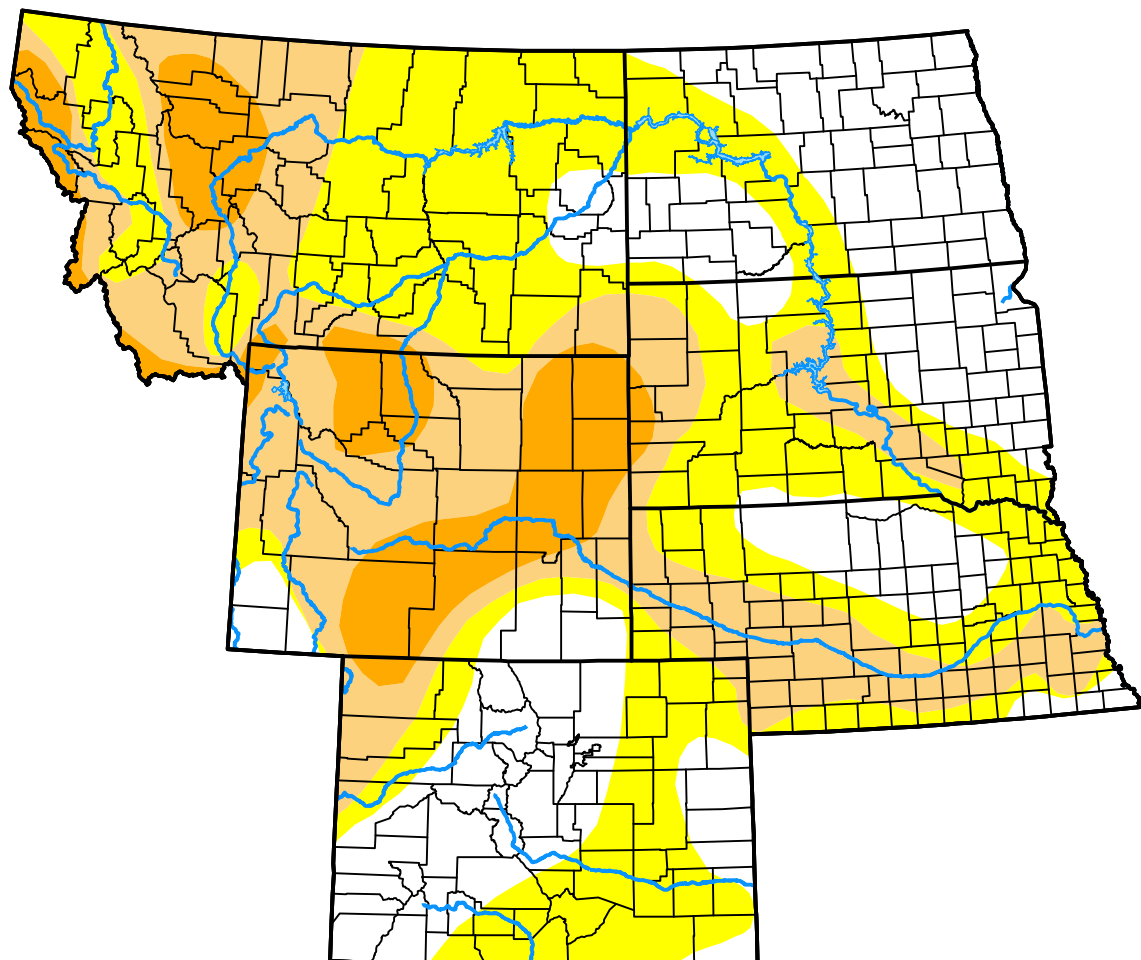


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	29.37	70.63	34.71	10.70	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>09-13-2005</i>	29.92	70.08	34.50	11.16	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-21-2005</i>	39.98	60.02	41.27	14.80	0.00	0.00
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>09-21-2004</i>	20.92	79.08	61.18	38.90	16.25	3.35

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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