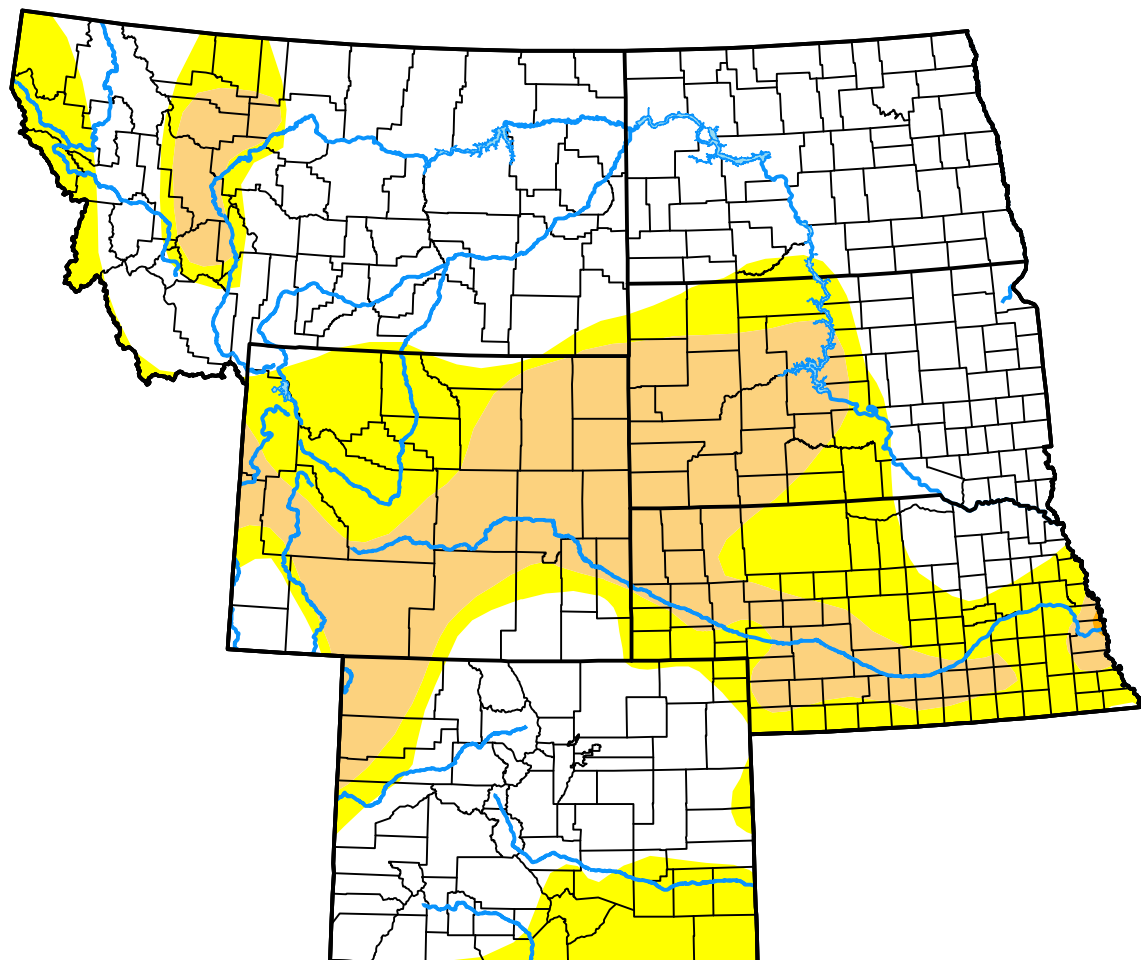


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.90	24.35	20.72	0.03	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>11-29-2005</i>	50.87	28.54	20.56	0.03	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-06-2005</i>	30.26	35.68	22.90	11.16	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>09-27-2005</i>	30.88	34.75	25.01	9.35	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-07-2004</i>	24.26	19.38	23.99	19.94	9.30	3.13

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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