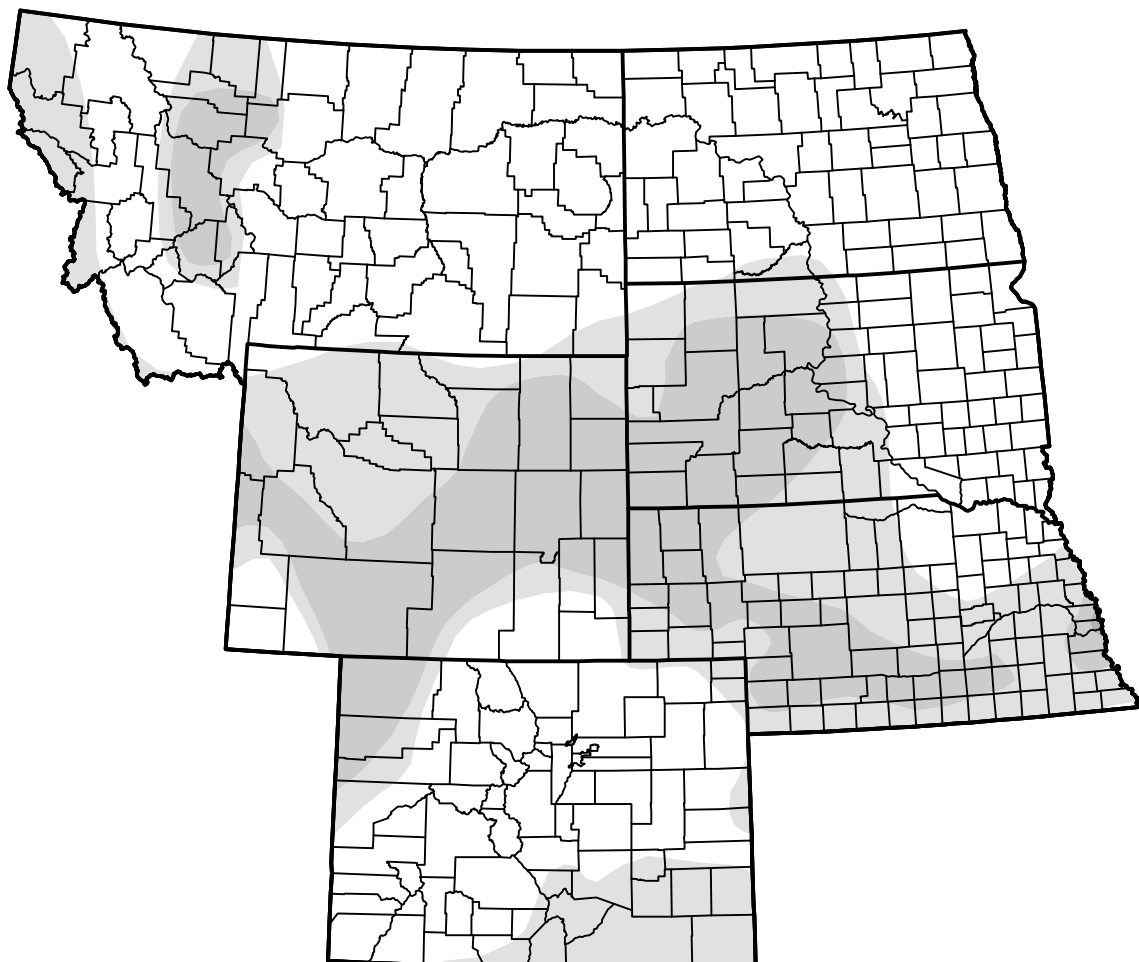


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.90	25.04	20.03	0.03	0.00	0.00
Last Week 12-06-2005	54.90	24.35	20.72	0.03	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-13-2005	29.92	35.58	23.34	11.16	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2005	21.51	20.08	22.67	21.85	10.61	3.27
Start of Water Year 09-27-2005	30.88	34.75	25.01	9.35	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 12-14-2004	24.26	18.65	24.72	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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