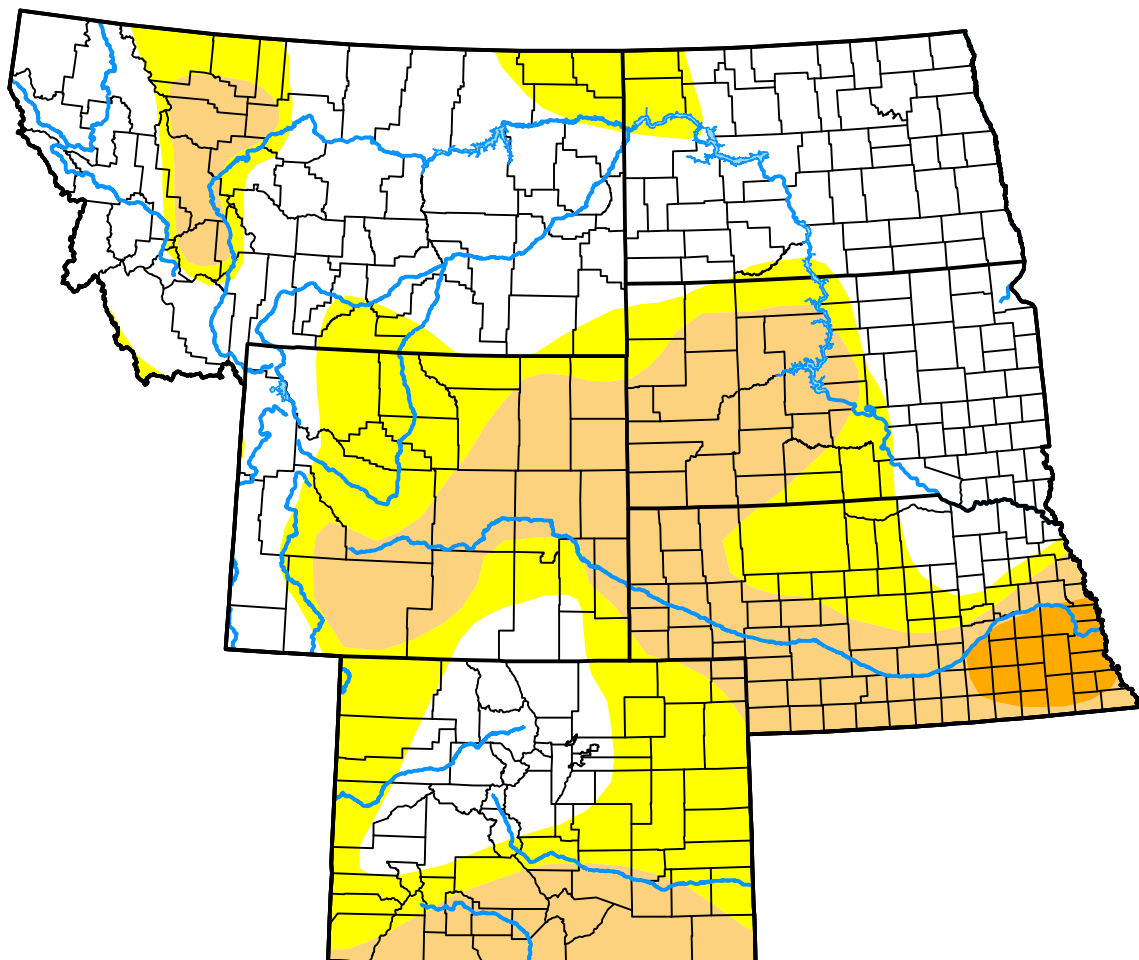


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	47.26	25.98	25.03	1.73	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>02-21-2006</i>	47.26	26.54	25.45	0.75	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-29-2005</i>	50.87	28.54	20.56	0.03	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	49.75	29.62	20.60	0.03	0.00	0.00
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>03-01-2005</i>	15.48	20.04	17.71	24.53	15.86	6.39

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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