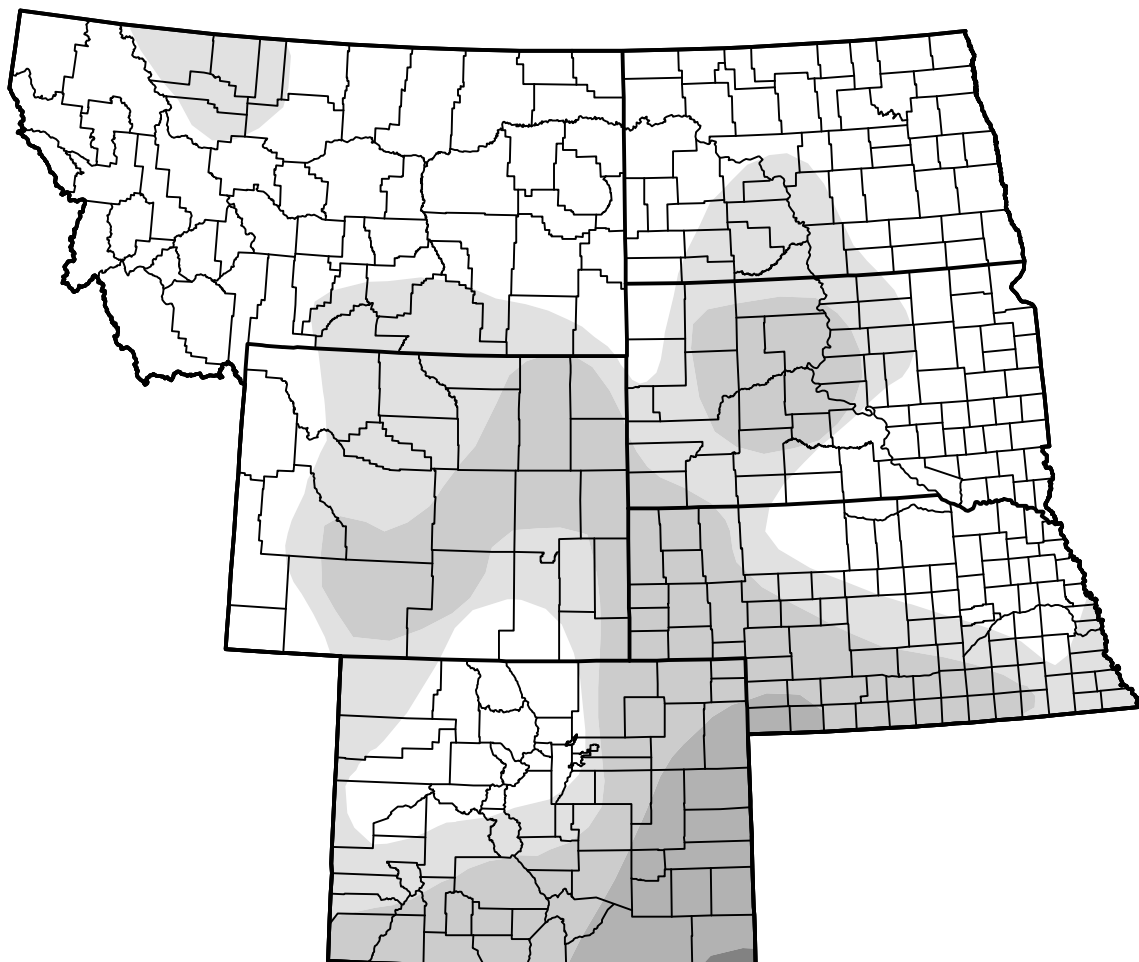


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	50.91	49.09	25.93	4.66	0.09	0.00
Last Week <i>04-25-2006</i>	51.66	48.34	26.17	4.07	0.01	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-31-2006</i>	45.90	54.10	26.91	0.03	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	49.75	50.25	20.63	0.03	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	30.88	69.12	34.37	9.35	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-03-2005</i>	20.48	79.52	60.46	40.27	16.38	2.87

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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