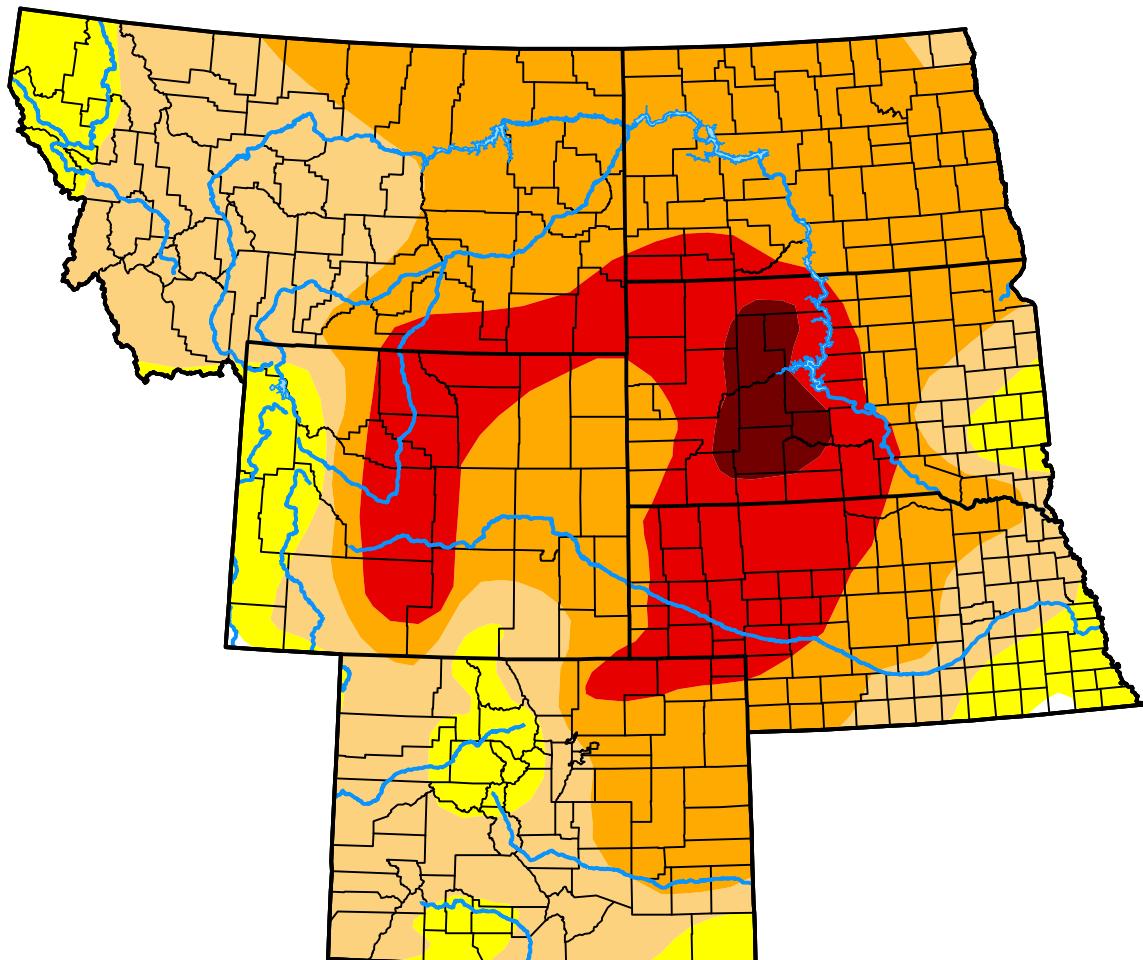


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.15	99.85	88.74	59.79	19.34	2.11
Last Week 08-15-2006	0.04	99.96	91.05	61.61	22.10	3.63
3 Months Ago 05-23-2006	44.06	55.94	31.20	10.64	1.11	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2006	49.75	50.25	20.63	0.03	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2005	30.88	69.12	34.37	9.35	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 08-23-2005	31.76	68.24	33.32	10.93	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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