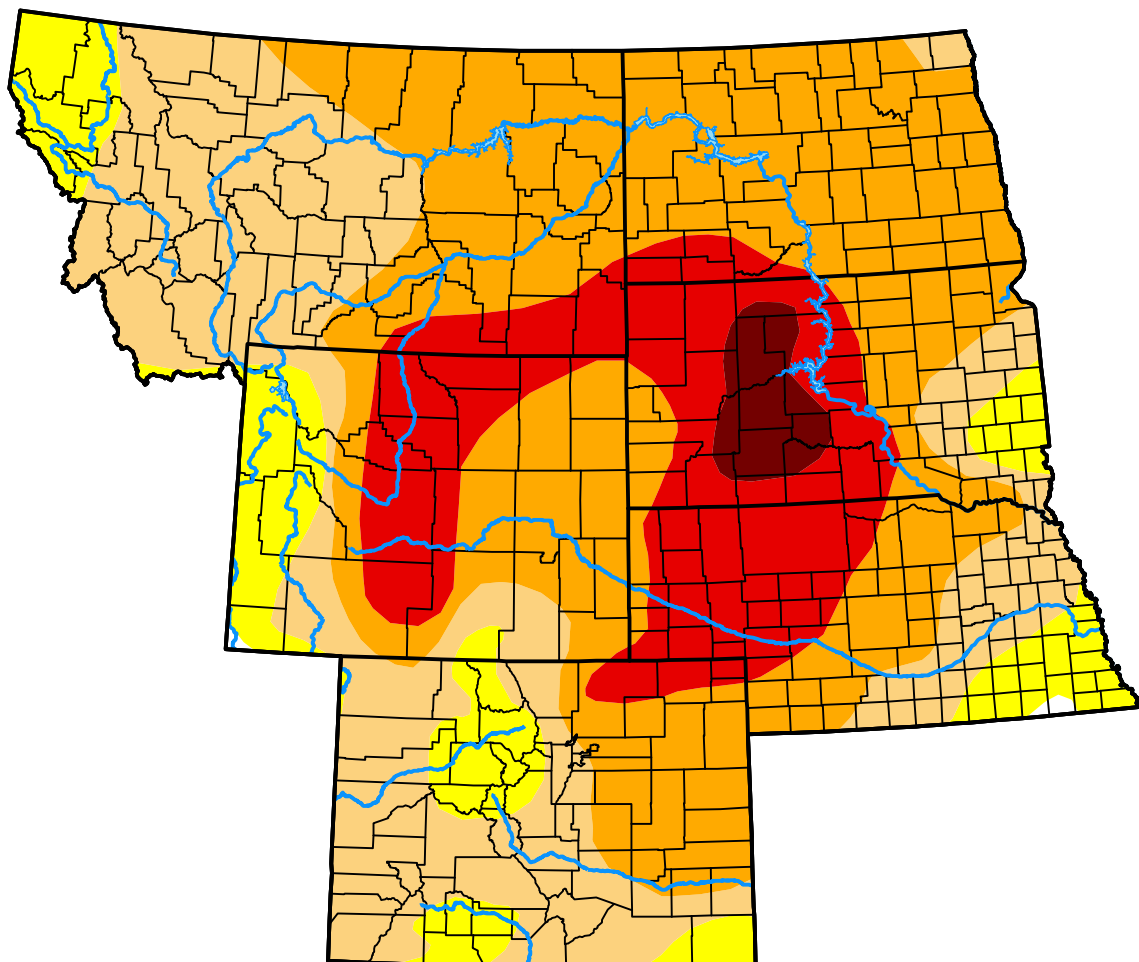


U.S. Drought Monitor

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 <i>08-15-2006</i>	0.04	99.96	91.05	61.61	22.10	3.63
3 Months Ago <i>05-23-2006</i>	44.06	55.94	31.20	10.64	1.11	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>08-23-2005</i>	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

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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