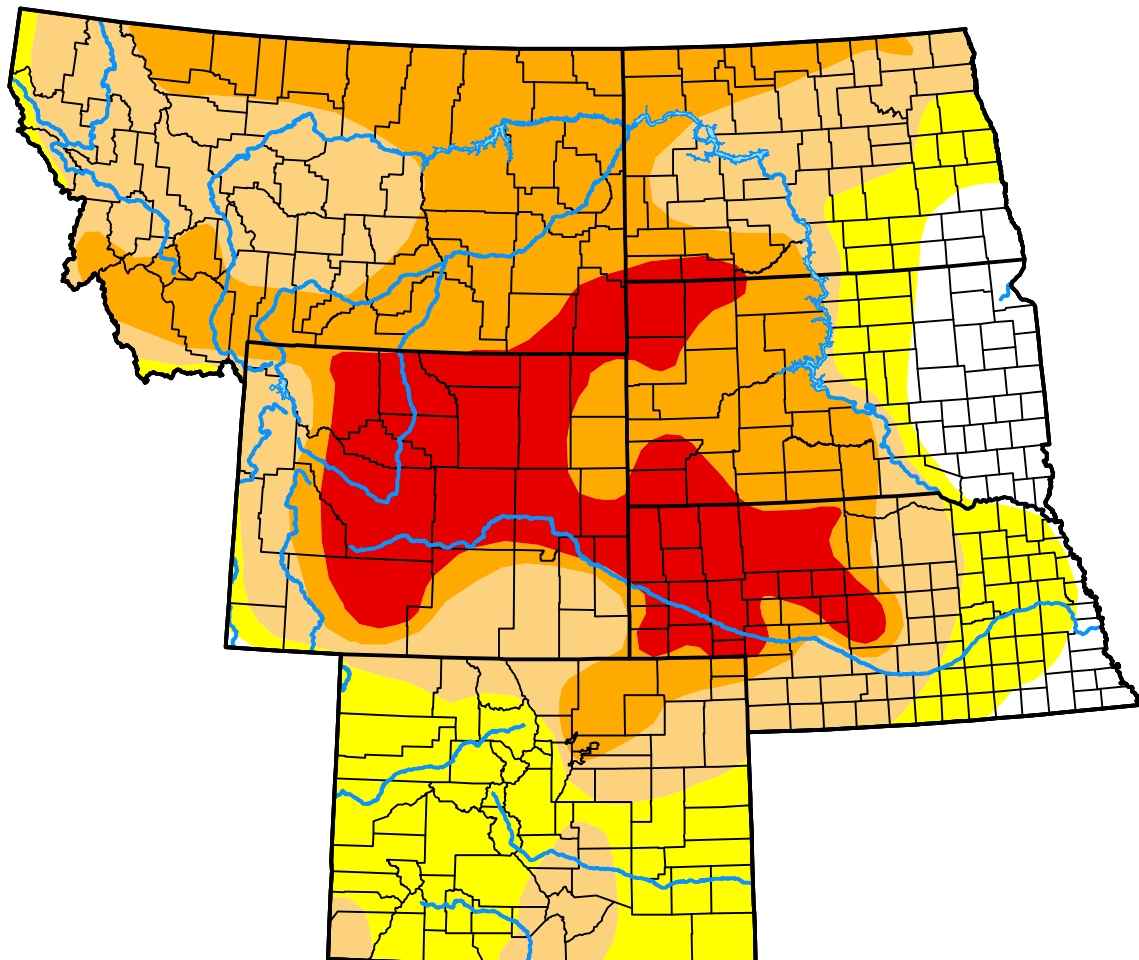


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	6.23	19.52	29.08	29.51	15.65	0.00
Last Week <i>09-26-2006</i>	5.69	21.41	28.70	29.13	15.07	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-04-2006</i>	27.56	18.56	27.61	20.30	5.96	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>09-26-2006</i>	5.69	21.41	28.70	29.13	15.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-04-2005</i>	29.58	36.10	25.71	8.61	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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