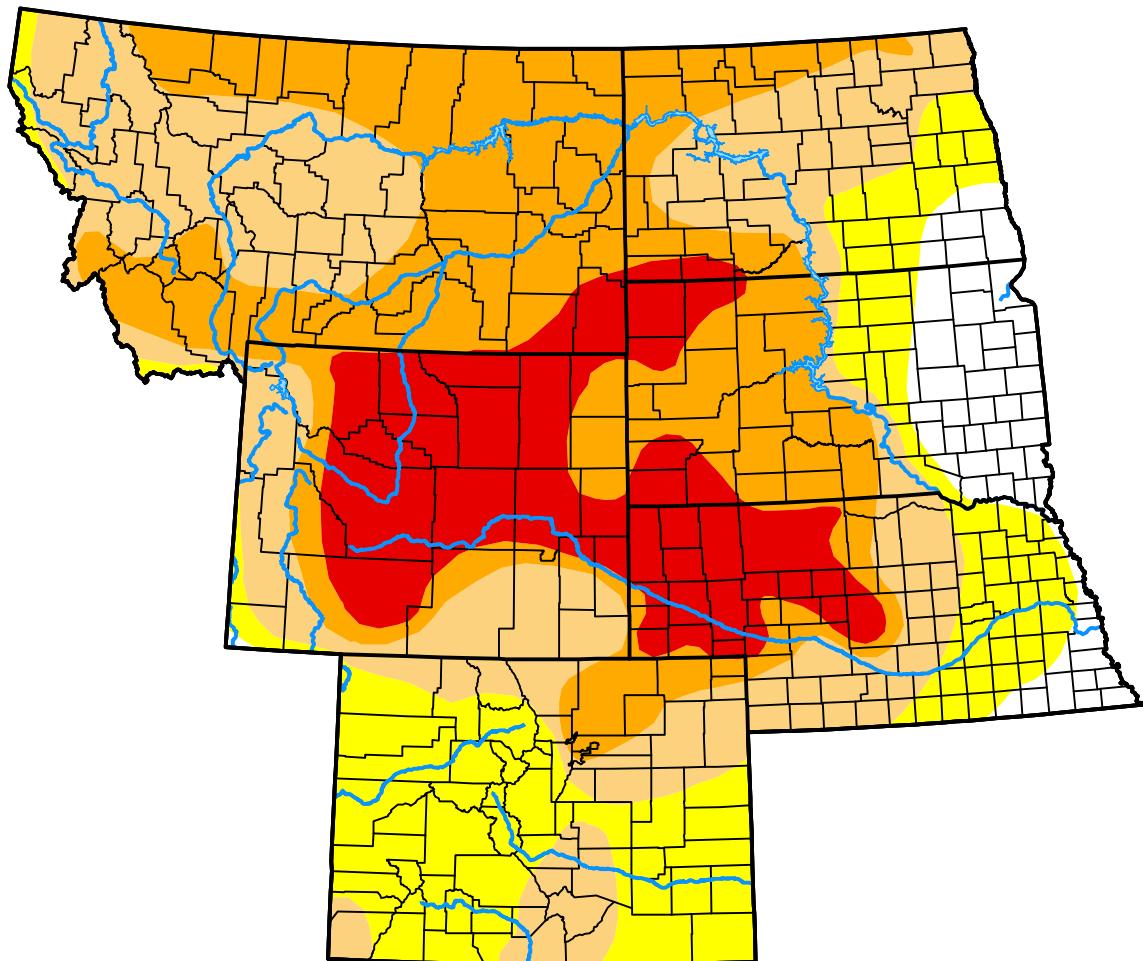


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6.23	93.77	74.24	45.16	15.65	0.00
Last Week 09-26-2006	5.69	94.31	72.90	44.20	15.07	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-04-2006	27.56	72.44	53.87	26.27	5.96	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 09-26-2006	5.69	94.31	72.90	44.20	15.07	0.00
One Year Ago 10-04-2005	29.58	70.42	34.32	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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