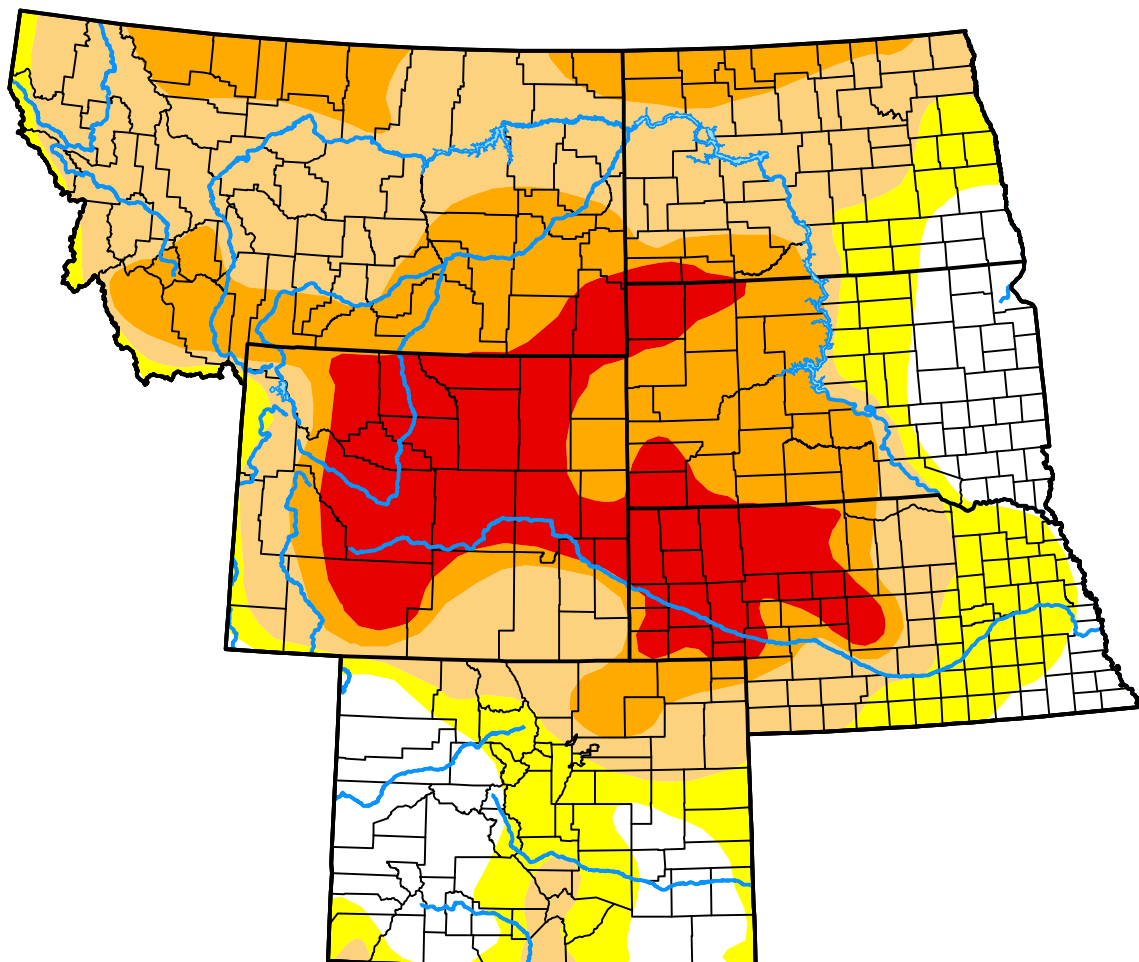


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	13.86	86.14	71.46	38.98	15.28	0.00
Last Week <i>10-24-2006</i>	11.02	88.98	72.50	42.92	15.28	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-01-2006</i>	0.73	99.27	86.23	54.28	17.19	3.10
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>09-26-2006</i>	5.69	94.31	72.90	44.20	15.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>11-01-2005</i>	37.95	62.05	26.22	0.49	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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