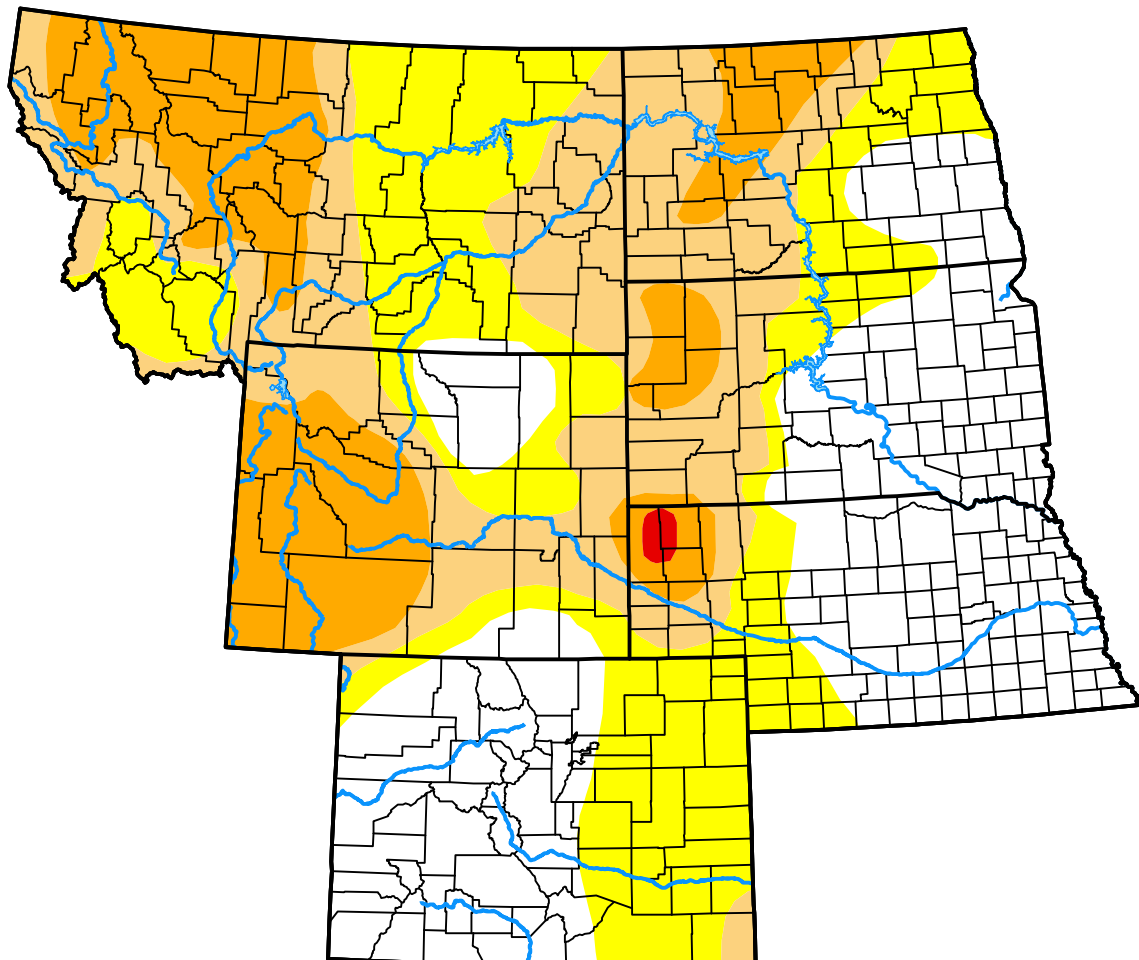


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	32.44	67.56	40.90	17.35	0.23	0.00
Last Week <i>12-11-2007</i>	36.12	63.88	39.92	16.76	0.23	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2007</i>	36.41	63.59	41.42	23.05	4.92	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2007</i>	23.11	76.89	52.82	29.89	12.75	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2007</i>	37.87	62.13	41.89	22.11	3.34	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2006</i>	14.32	85.68	54.95	31.28	13.46	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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