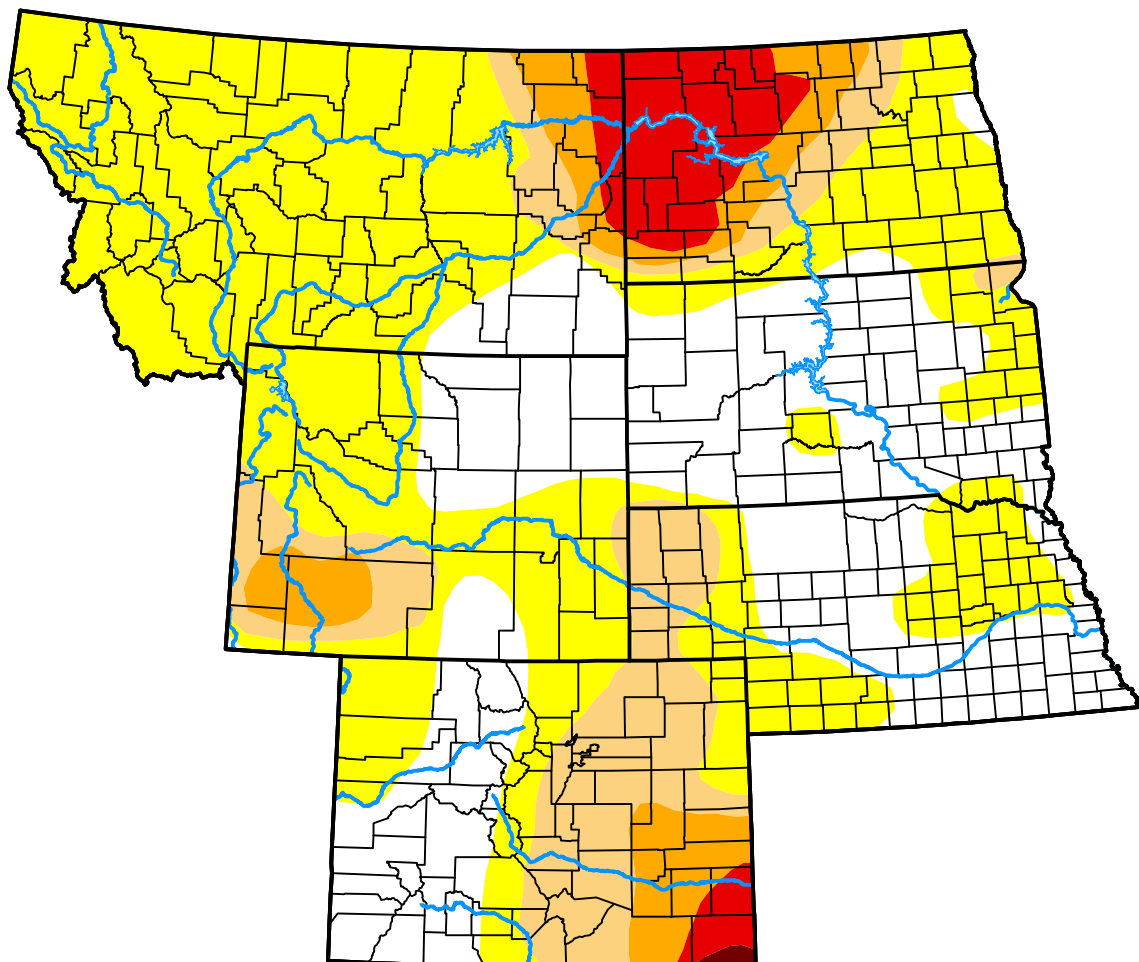


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**August 5, 2008**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 30.36 | 69.64 | 23.34 | 11.27 | 5.29  | 0.12 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>07-29-2008</i>              | 36.06 | 63.94 | 21.89 | 11.35 | 6.20  | 0.12 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-06-2008</i>           | 37.84 | 62.16 | 38.50 | 13.62 | 3.86  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2008</i> | 32.44 | 67.56 | 41.04 | 17.24 | 0.23  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2007</i>    | 37.87 | 62.13 | 41.89 | 22.11 | 3.34  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-07-2007</i>           | 28.54 | 71.46 | 40.53 | 25.94 | 5.02  | 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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