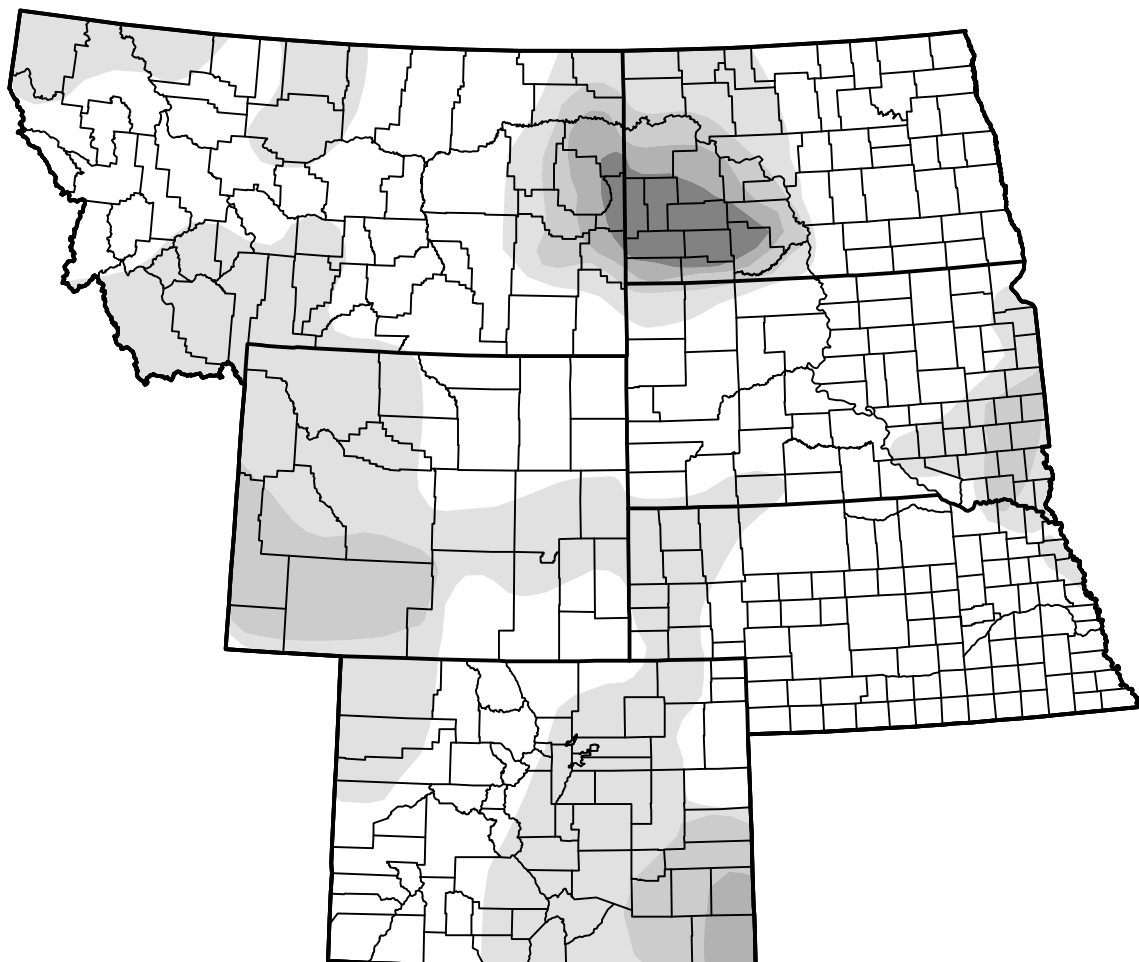


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.54	43.46	12.03	3.99	1.72	0.00
Last Week <i>09-23-2008</i>	56.53	43.47	12.64	4.25	1.72	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-01-2008</i>	67.93	32.07	13.47	4.13	0.45	0.04
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	32.44	67.56	41.04	17.24	0.23	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	56.54	43.46	12.03	3.99	1.72	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-02-2007</i>	37.70	62.30	43.28	21.37	3.34	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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