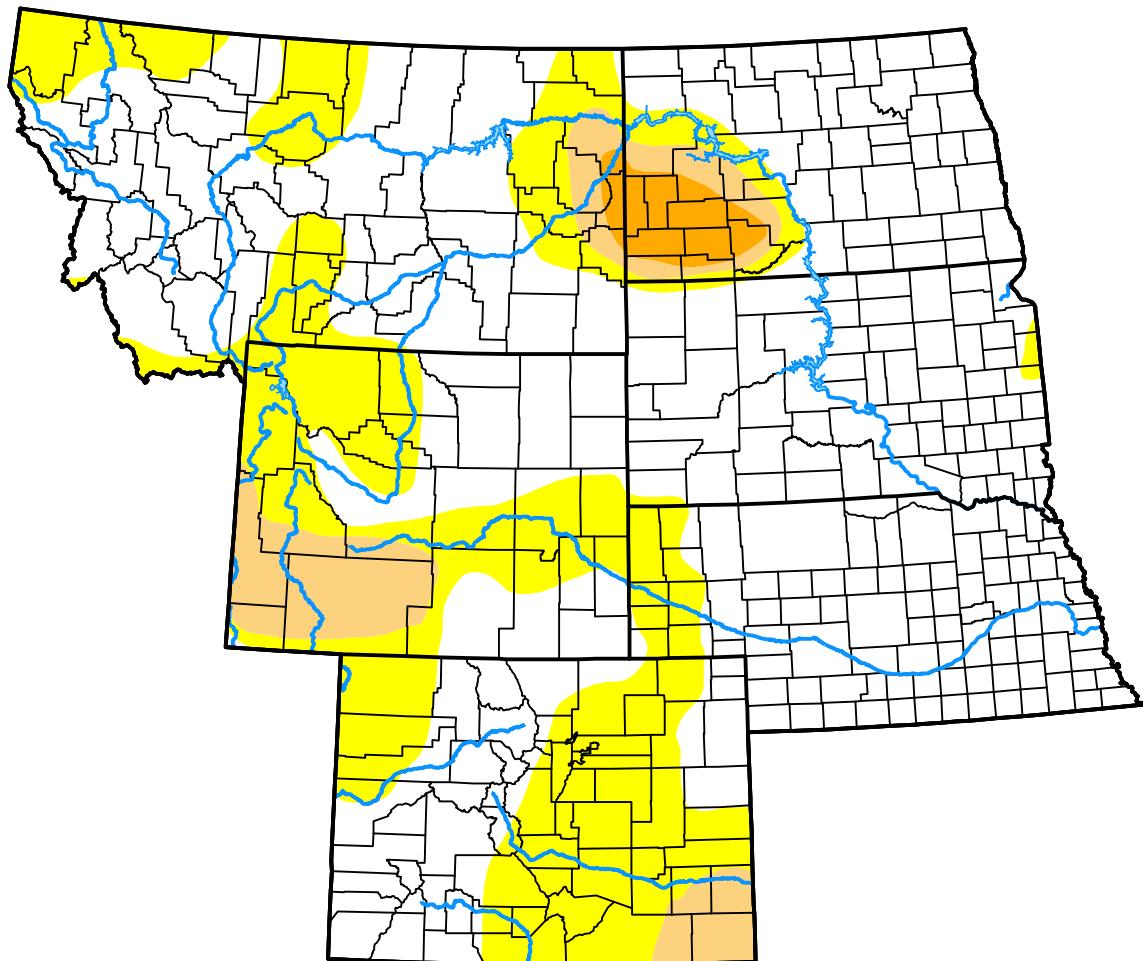


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	66.24	26.16	5.87	1.74	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-07-2008	56.54	32.28	7.19	2.27	1.72	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-15-2008	61.21	22.48	9.05	6.81	0.31	0.13
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2008	32.44	26.52	23.79	17.01	0.23	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2008	56.54	31.43	8.04	2.27	1.72	0.00
One Year Ago 10-16-2007	39.81	17.55	22.27	17.59	2.78	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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