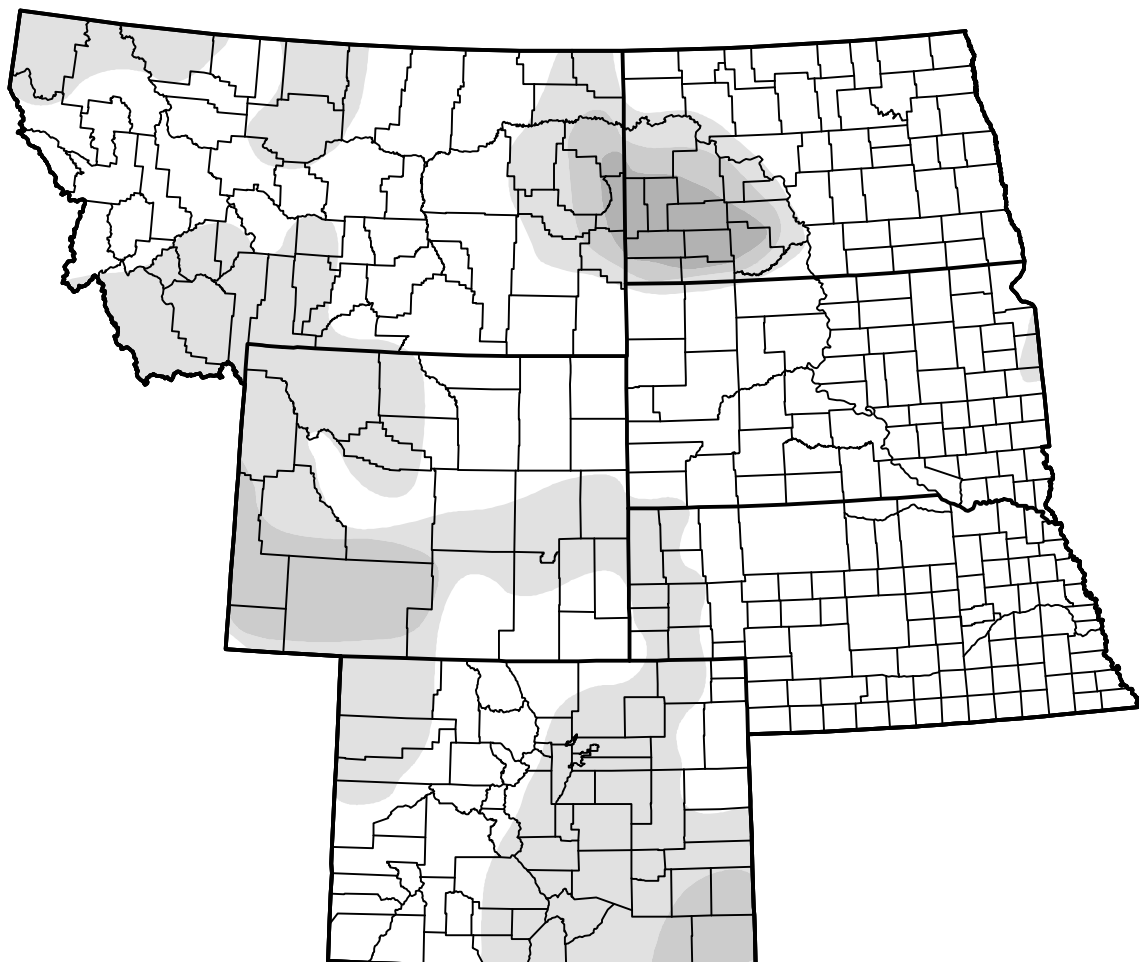


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	64.00	36.00	7.64	1.74	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-14-2008</i>	66.24	33.76	7.61	1.74	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-22-2008</i>	35.01	64.99	20.57	9.36	2.98	0.12
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>10-23-2007</i>	39.81	60.19	38.25	17.12	2.57	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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