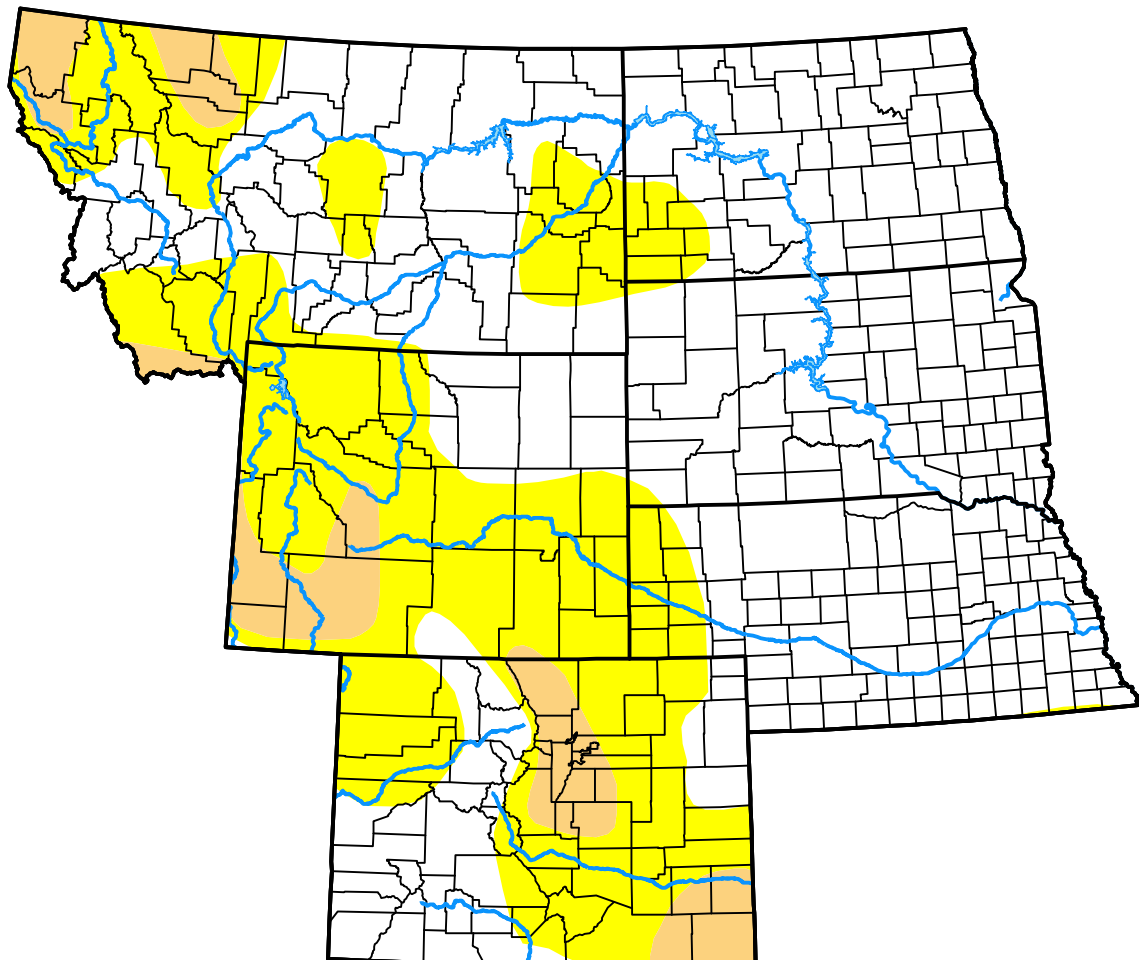


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	61.80	31.14	7.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>02-24-2009</i>	62.96	31.67	5.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-02-2008</i>	56.59	34.23	9.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.97	36.48	7.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	56.54	31.43	8.04	2.27	1.72	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-04-2008</i>	33.47	28.65	23.06	13.87	0.95	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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