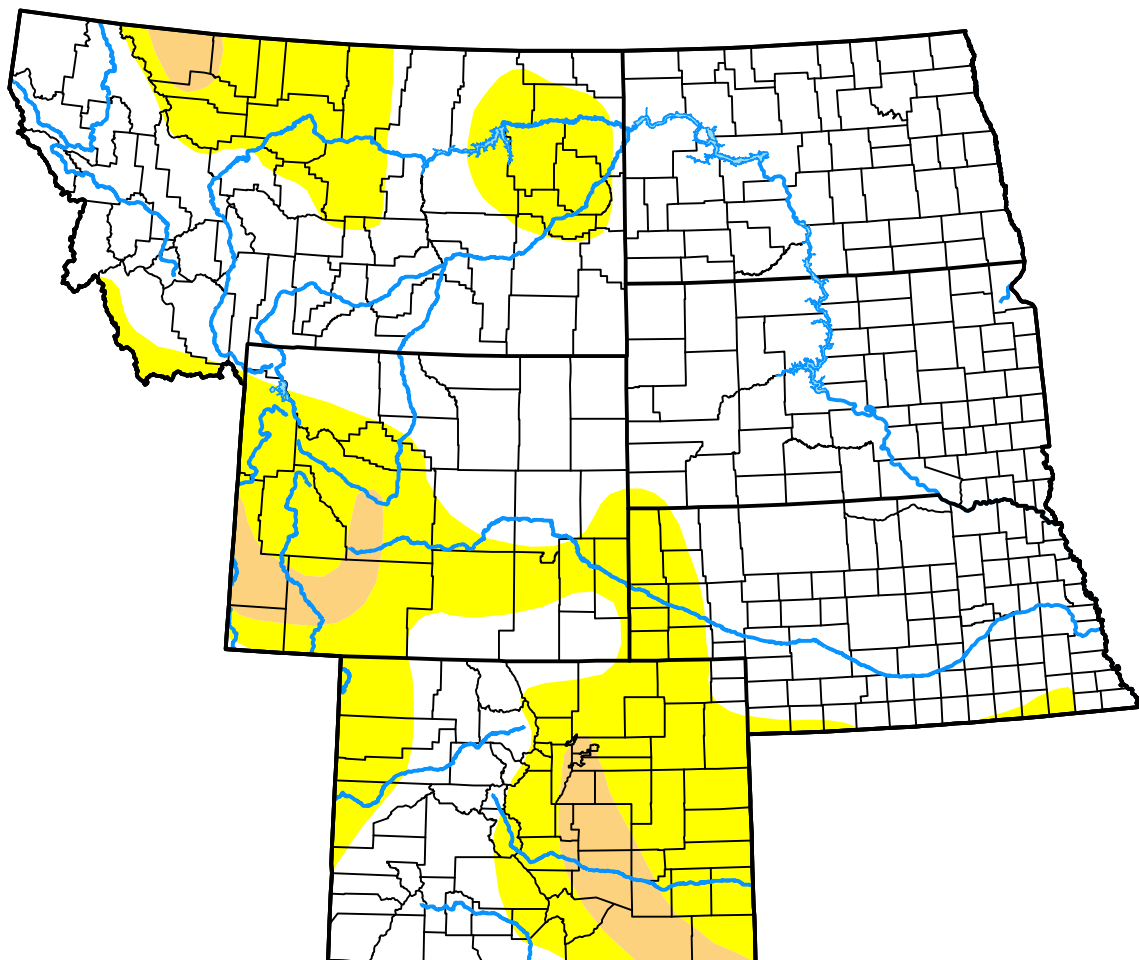


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	69.40	26.20	4.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-31-2009</i>	61.38	31.63	6.98	0.02	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-06-2009</i>	56.62	35.82	7.56	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>04-08-2008</i>	34.63	23.89	27.71	10.73	3.04	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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