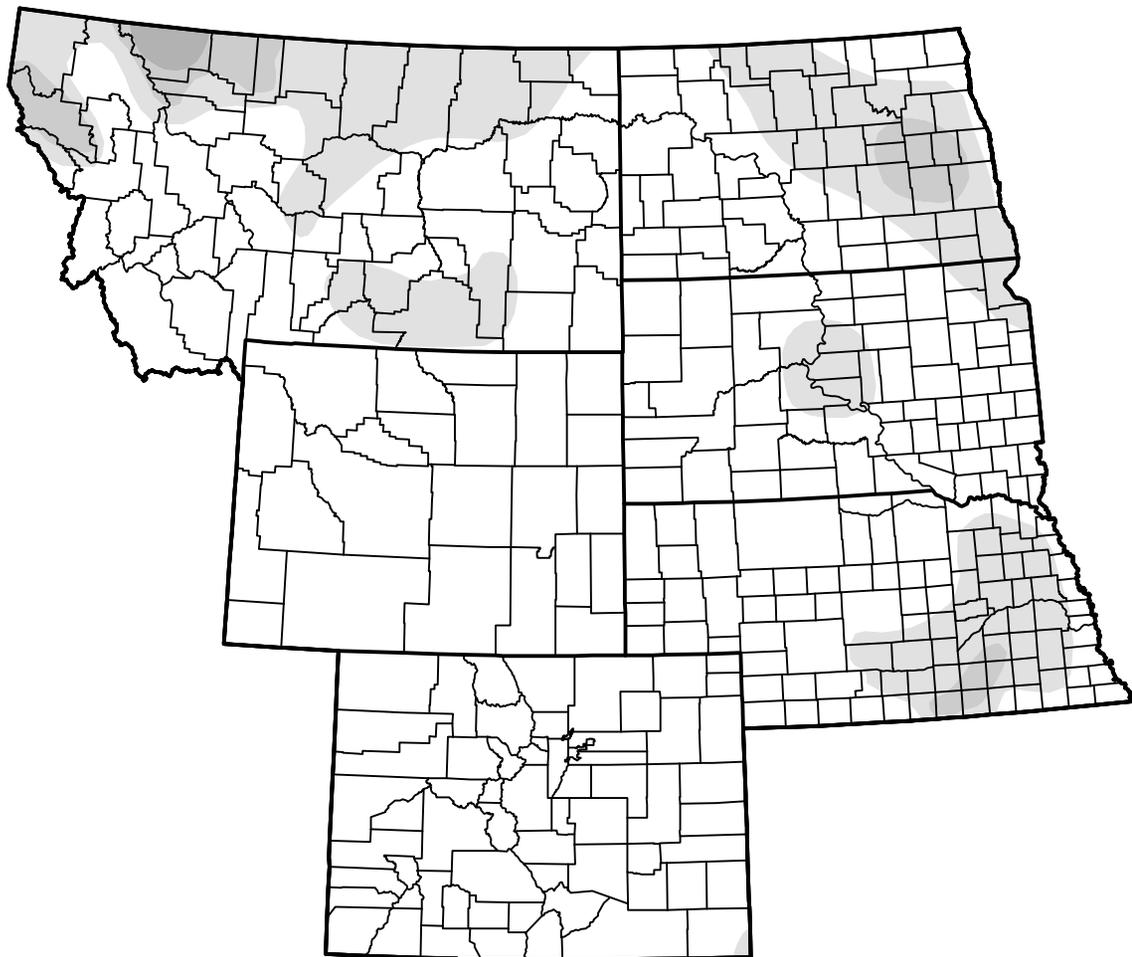


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**August 4, 2009**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	79.51	17.37	2.75	0.38	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>07-28-2009</i>	79.13	16.40	3.88	0.59	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-05-2009</i>	81.36	16.69	1.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.97	36.48	7.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	56.54	31.43	8.04	2.27	1.72	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-05-2008</i>	30.36	46.30	12.07	5.98	5.17	0.12

***Intensity:***



*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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