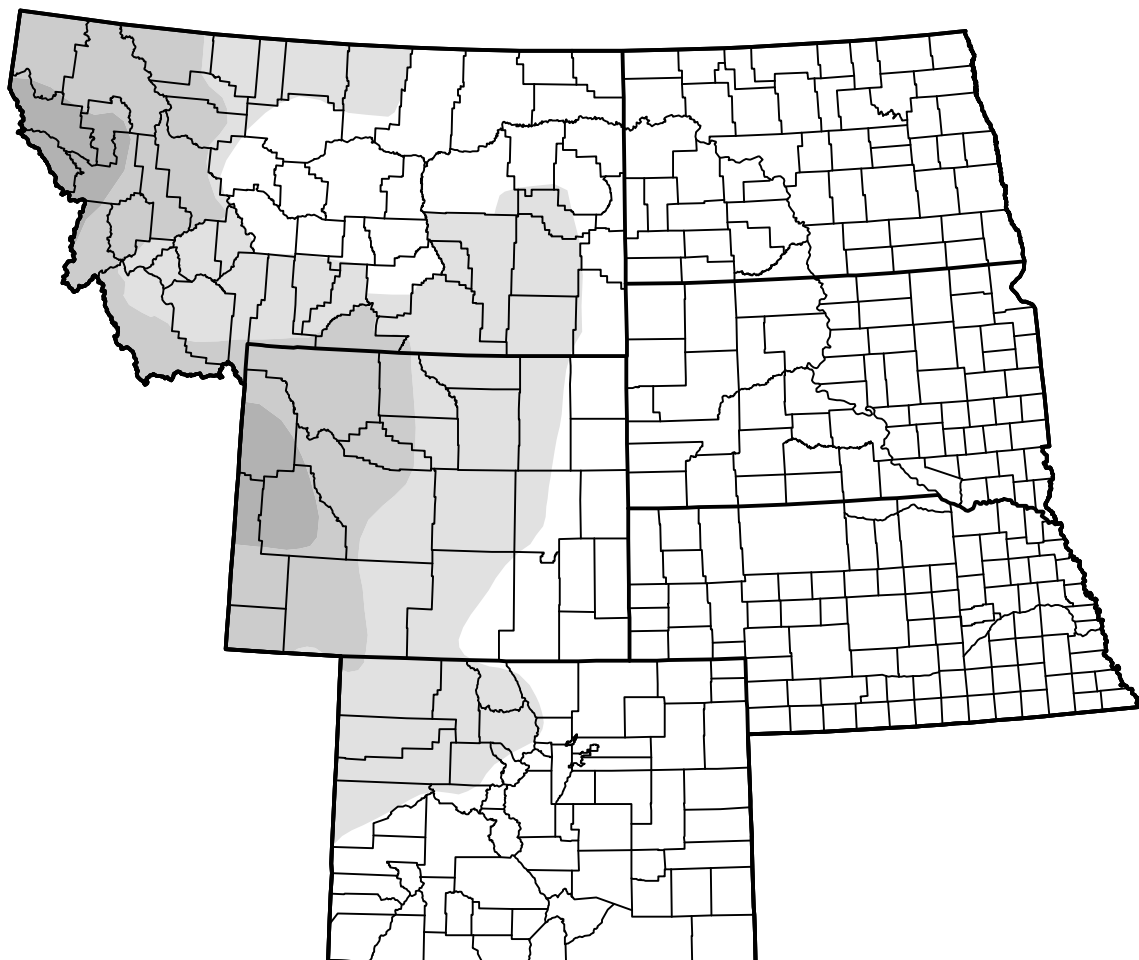


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 67.81 | 18.58 | 11.00 | 2.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-02-2010</i>              | 68.05 | 21.52 | 10.07 | 0.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-08-2009</i>           | 82.39 | 16.25 | 1.36  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-29-2009</i> | 78.67 | 19.96 | 1.36  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2009</i>    | 76.34 | 22.27 | 1.39  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-10-2009</i>           | 62.46 | 31.97 | 5.57  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 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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