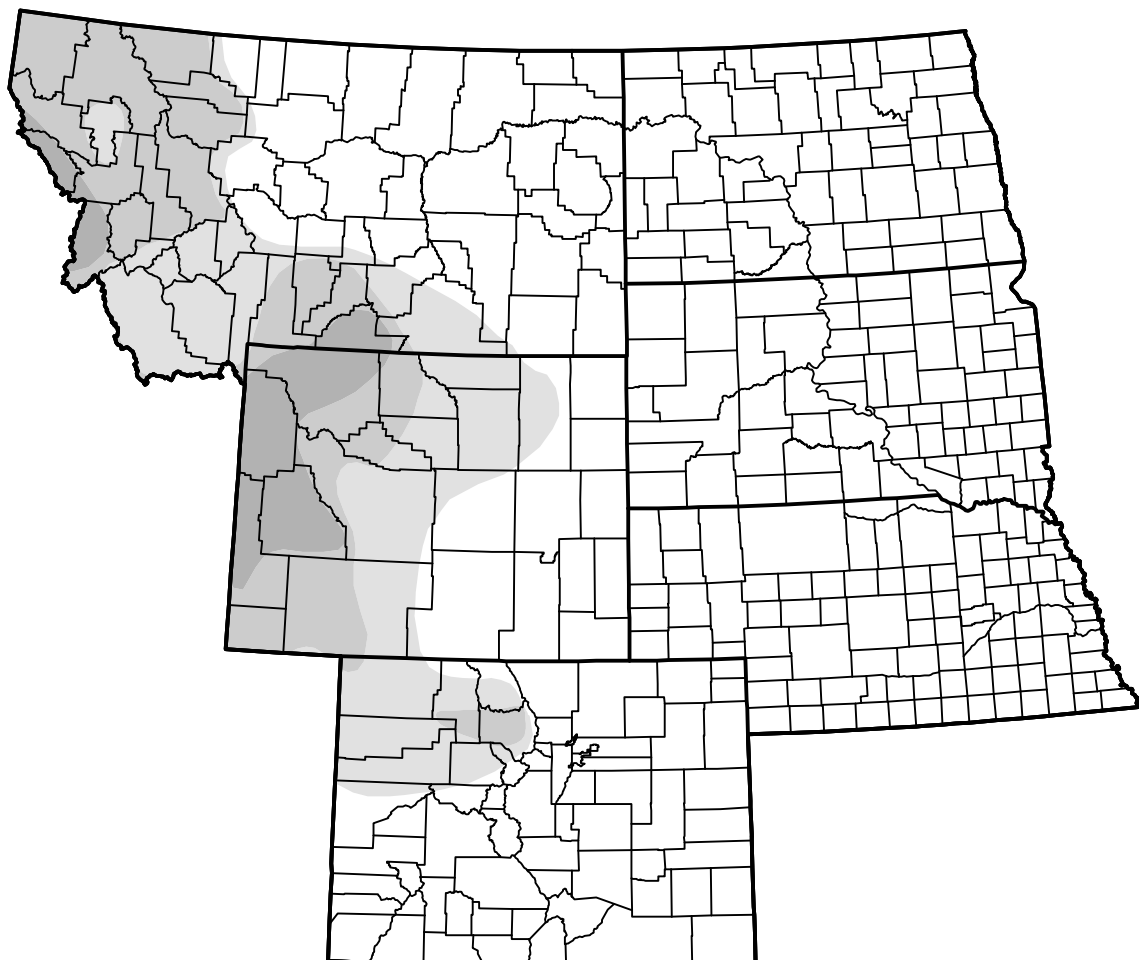


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 74.69 | 25.31 | 13.48 | 3.59  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-04-2010</i>              | 70.08 | 29.92 | 13.80 | 3.59  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-09-2010</i>           | 74.35 | 25.65 | 3.82  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-29-2009</i> | 78.67 | 21.33 | 1.36  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2009</i>    | 76.34 | 23.66 | 1.39  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-12-2009</i>           | 86.47 | 13.53 | 2.07  | 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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