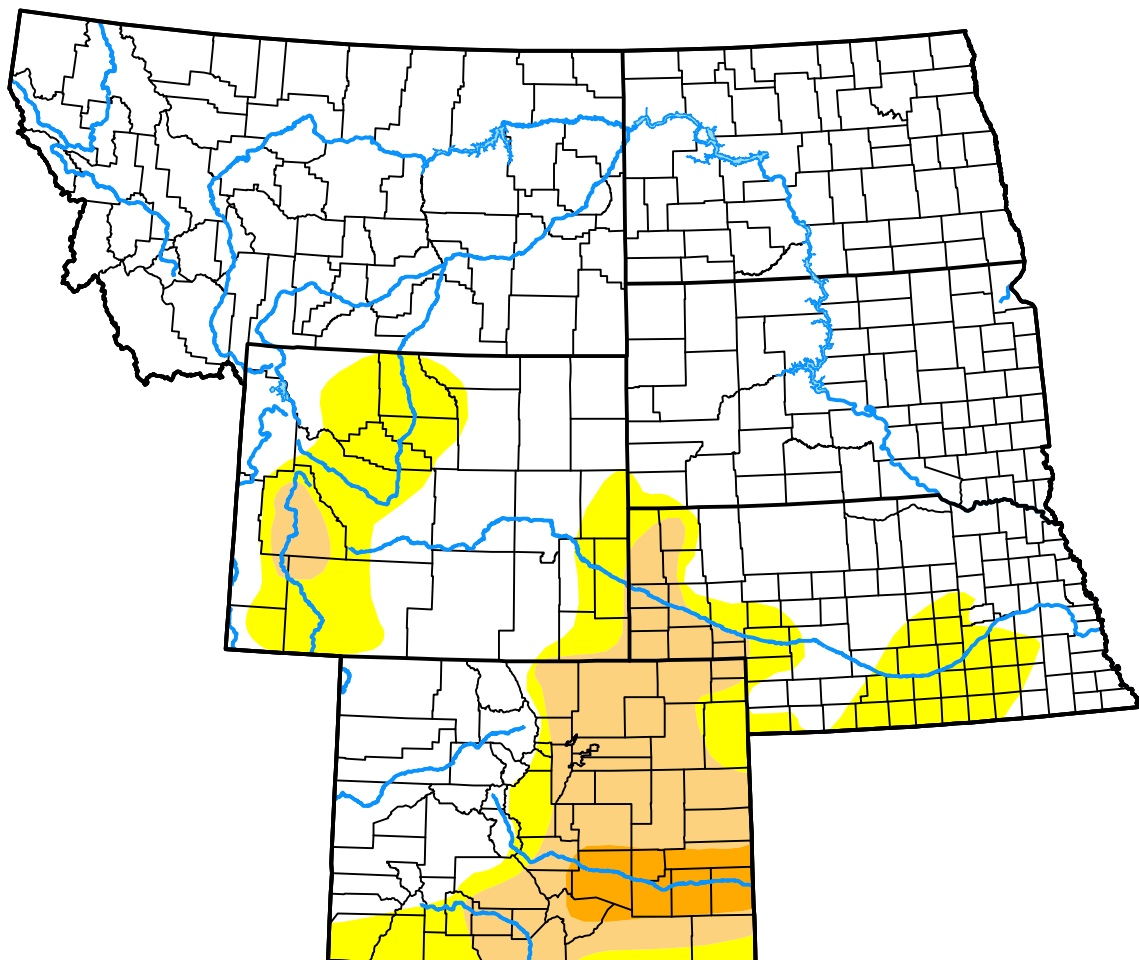


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	76.35	23.65	11.01	1.83	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-07-2010</i>	77.16	22.84	9.18	1.81	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-14-2010</i>	83.79	16.21	1.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	78.67	21.33	1.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	71.39	28.61	3.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-15-2009</i>	80.40	19.60	1.36	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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