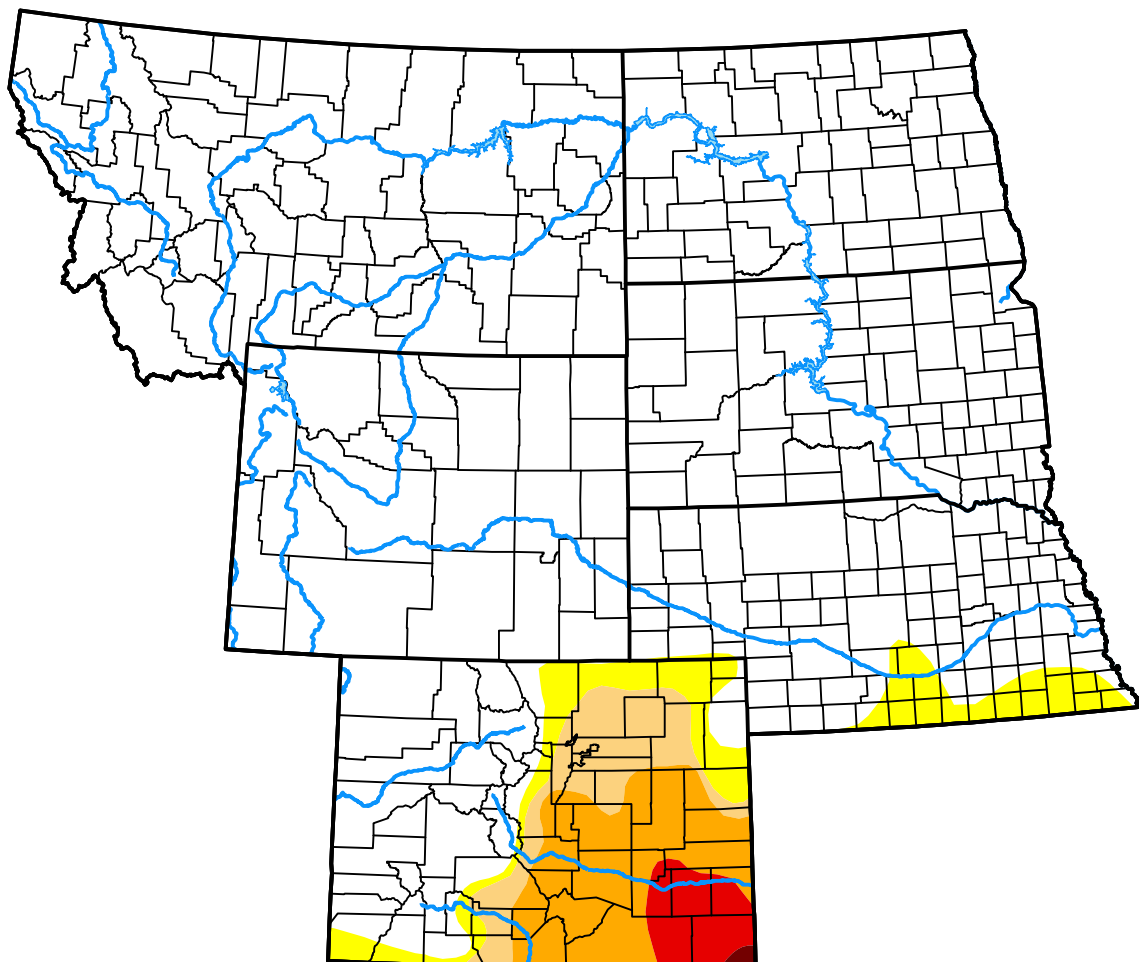


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	87.96	3.85	2.54	4.28	1.30	0.06
Last Week <i>05-10-2011</i>	83.50	6.93	2.18	6.80	0.59	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-15-2011</i>	78.34	11.16	8.89	1.62	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i>	76.75	12.75	8.67	1.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	71.39	25.29	3.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-18-2010</i>	78.06	9.83	8.71	3.40	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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