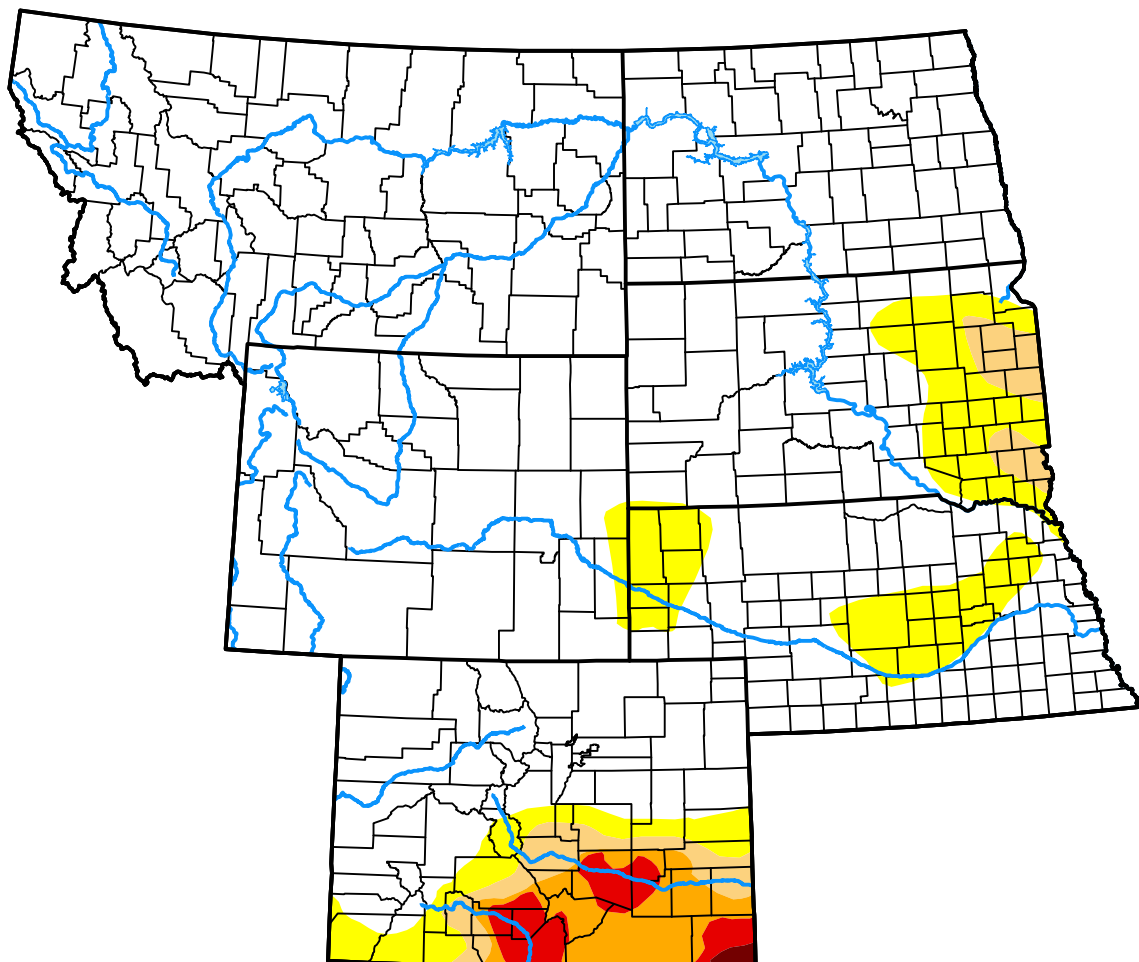


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	85.45	14.55	6.01	3.63	1.43	0.10
Last Week <i>09-13-2011</i>	80.14	19.86	5.80	4.16	1.56	0.10
3 Months Ago <i>06-21-2011</i>	92.48	7.52	5.72	4.69	2.17	0.17
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i>	76.75	23.25	10.51	1.84	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>09-21-2010</i>	76.68	23.32	1.41	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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