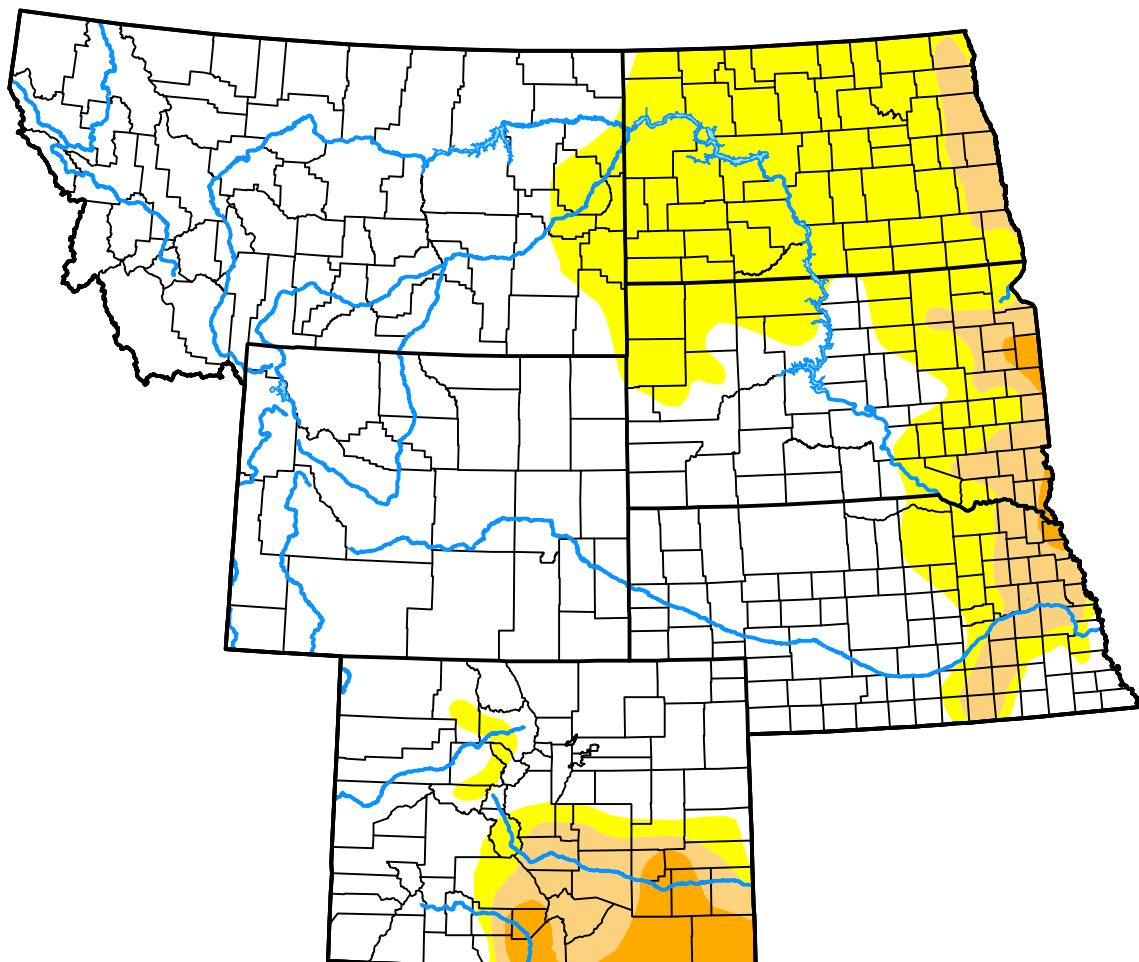


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



January 3, 2012
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 68.95 | 31.05 | 9.32 | 2.29 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 12-27-2011 | 72.63 | 27.37 | 9.32 | 3.08 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 10-04-2011 | 68.28 | 31.72 | 6.26 | 3.63 | 1.43 | 0.10 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012 | 68.95 | 31.05 | 9.32 | 2.29 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-27-2011 | 73.09 | 26.91 | 6.01 | 3.63 | 1.43 | 0.10 |
| One Year Ago 01-04-2011 | 76.75 | 23.25 | 10.51 | 1.84 | 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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