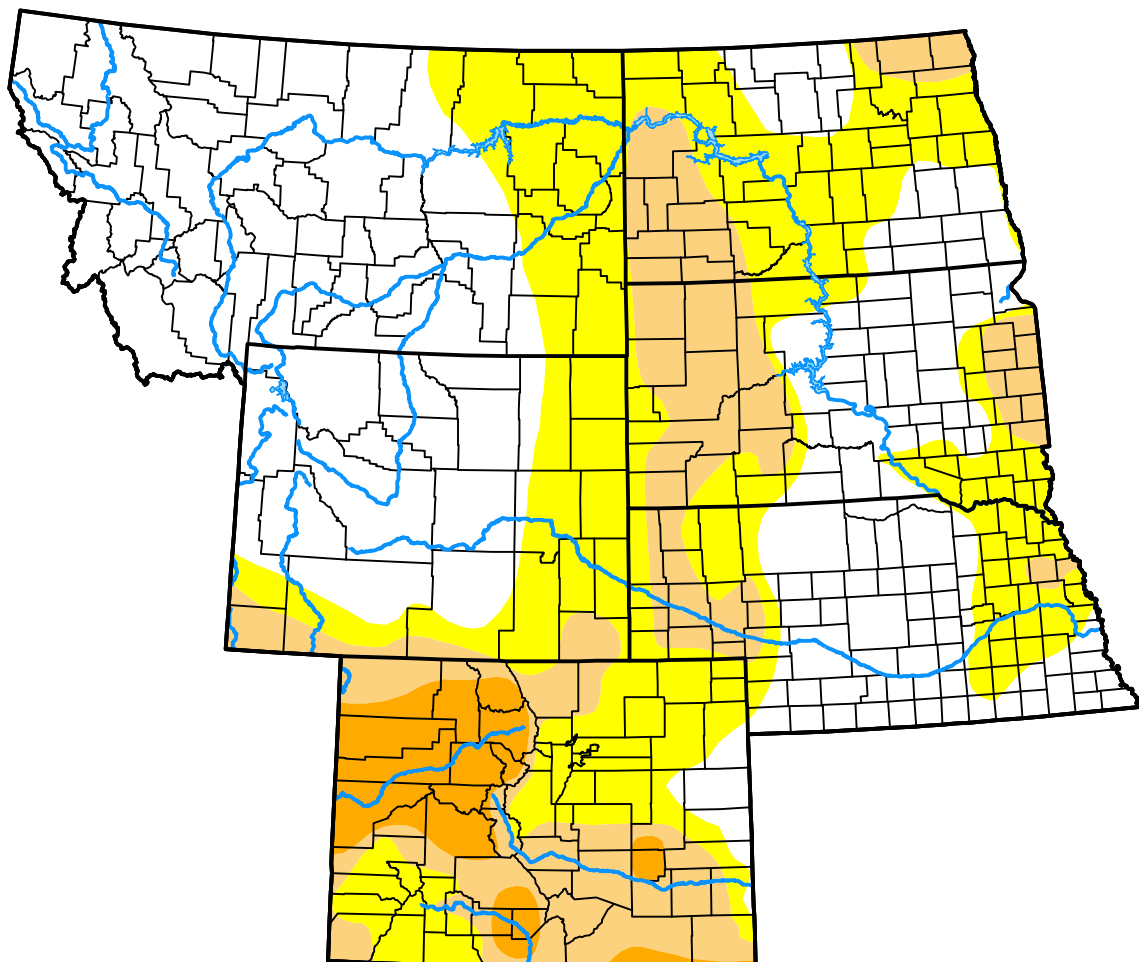


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



April 24, 2012

(Released Thursday, Apr. 26, 2012)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	47.61	30.91	16.77	4.72	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-17-2012</i>	46.55	33.35	15.40	4.70	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-24-2012</i>	53.95	32.53	11.23	2.26	0.04	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	68.95	21.72	7.03	2.29	0.01	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	73.09	20.90	2.38	2.20	1.33	0.10
One Year Ago <i>04-26-2011</i>	85.23	5.22	2.19	6.82	0.55	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>

Author:

Anthony Artusa
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



droughtmonitor.unl.edu