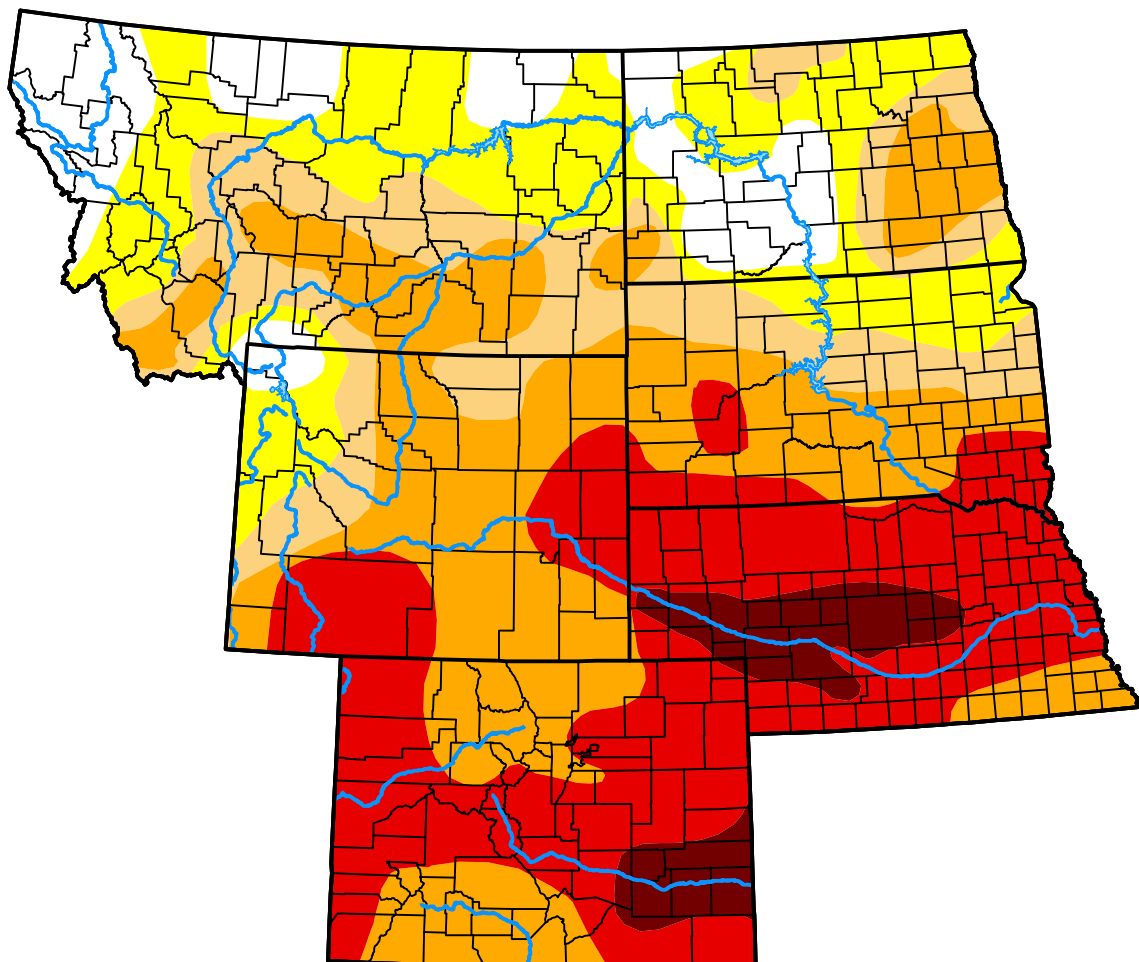


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	9.86	90.14	72.53	58.44	31.17	4.70
Last Week 08-07-2012	8.82	91.18	72.90	58.64	30.88	1.49
3 Months Ago 05-15-2012	54.50	45.50	15.08	5.18	0.00	0.00
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 08-16-2011	89.88	10.12	5.56	4.51	3.34	0.22

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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