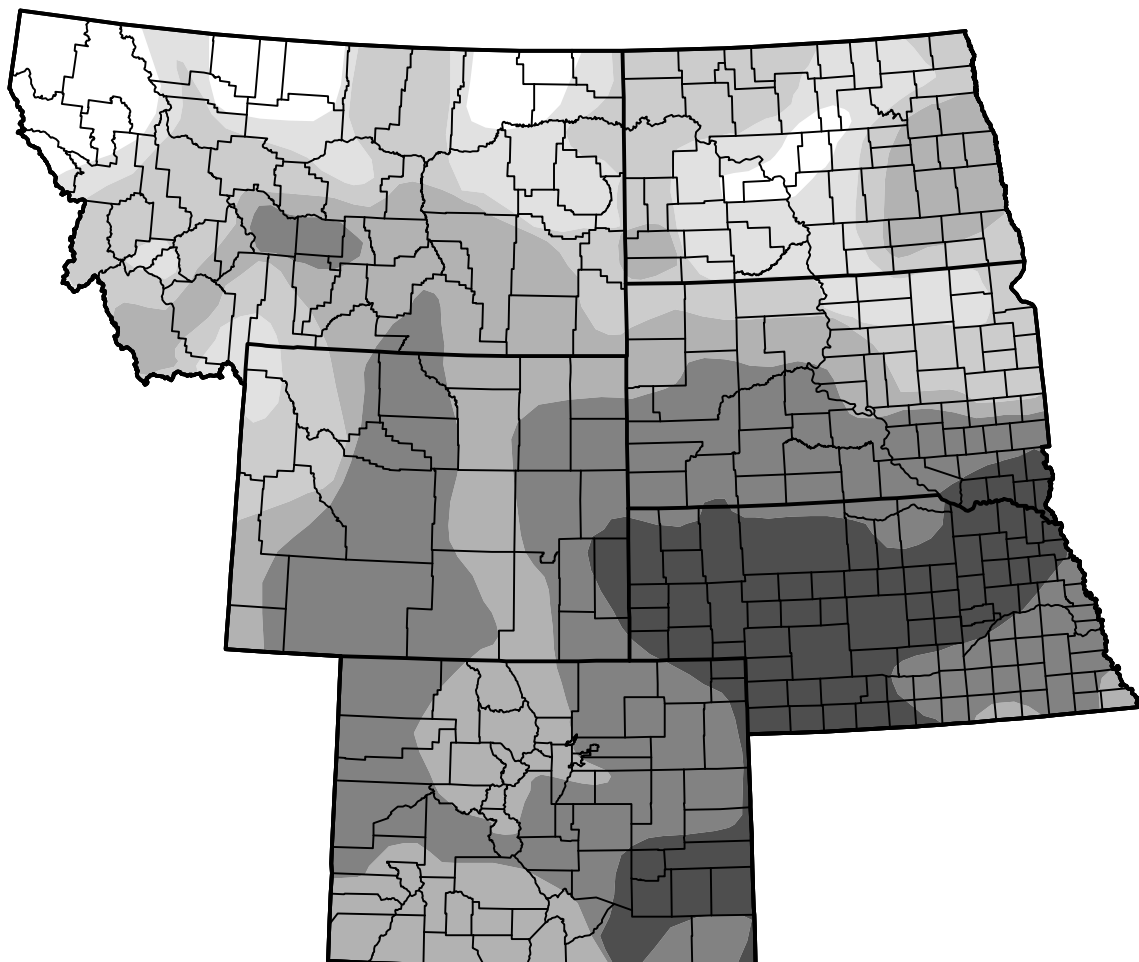


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	5.90	10.99	17.32	23.26	29.44	13.09
Last Week <i>08-28-2012</i>	6.15	19.50	14.20	24.99	29.79	5.37
3 Months Ago <i>06-05-2012</i>	44.01	32.20	17.27	4.50	2.02	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>09-06-2011</i>	85.94	8.52	1.38	2.58	1.30	0.27

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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