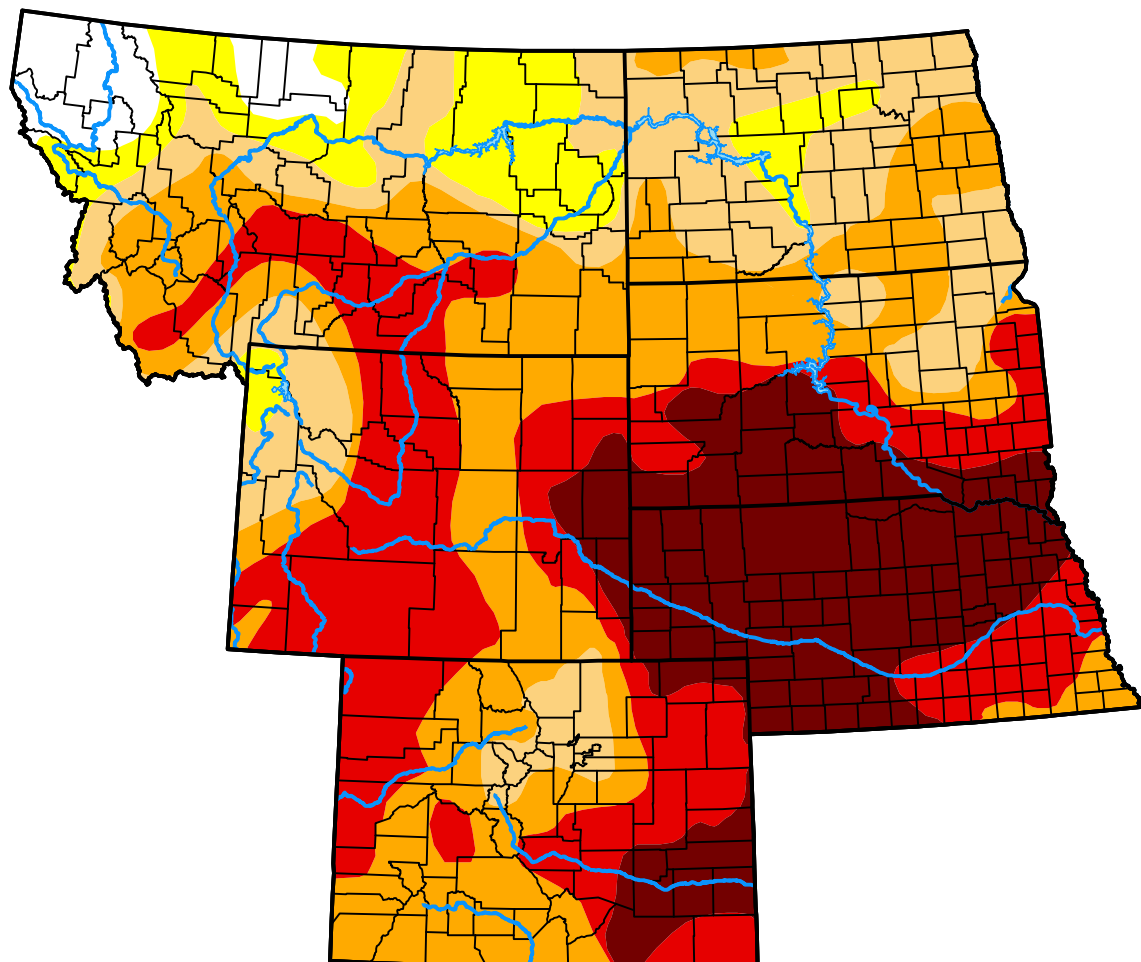


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	3.41	8.37	17.86	27.63	24.07	18.66
Last Week <i>10-23-2012</i>	3.40	7.73	17.59	28.07	24.54	18.66
3 Months Ago <i>07-31-2012</i>	8.82	19.10	13.39	28.52	29.10	1.06
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>09-25-2012</i>	4.80	5.77	21.95	24.71	28.48	14.29
One Year Ago <i>11-01-2011</i>	81.62	9.34	5.43	3.05	0.46	0.10

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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