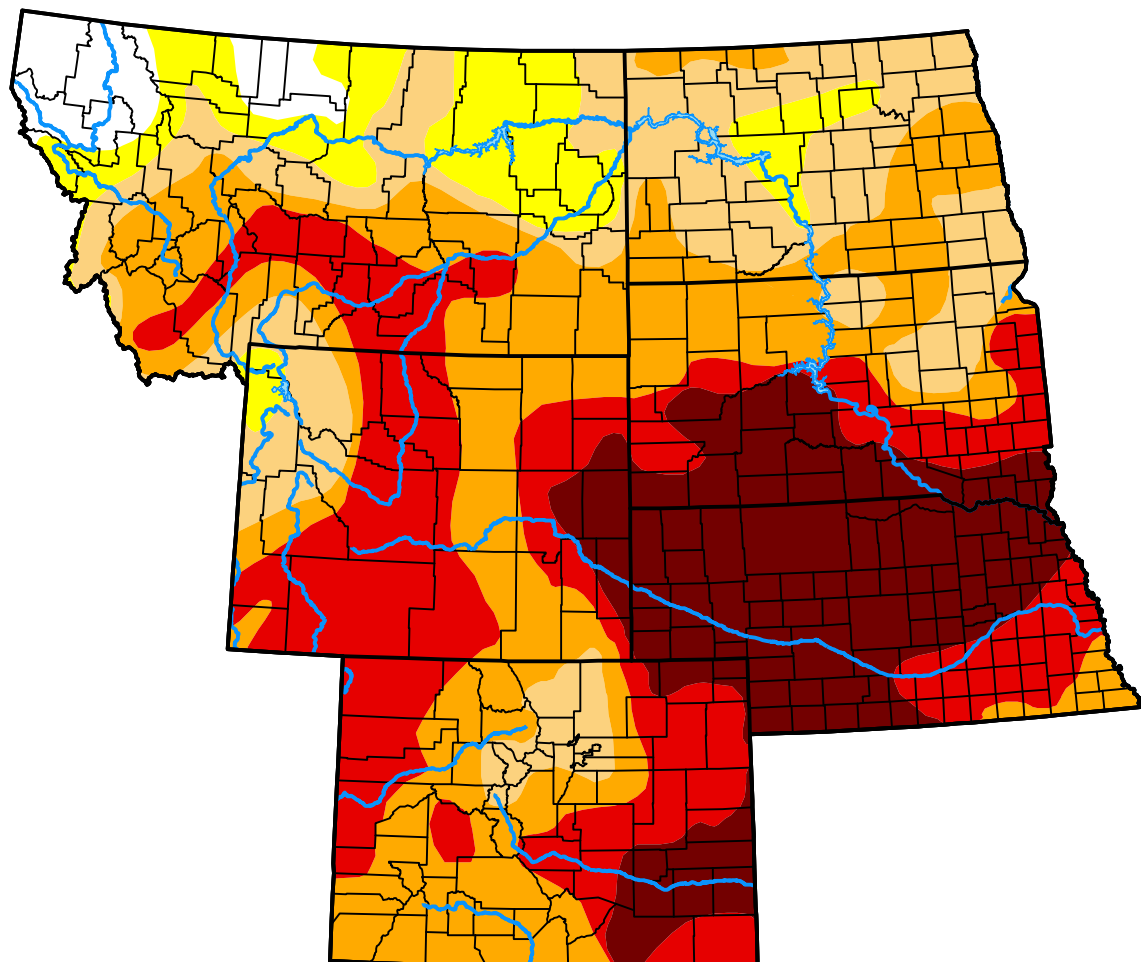


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	3.41	96.59	88.22	70.36	42.73	18.66
Last Week <i>10-23-2012</i>	3.40	96.60	88.87	71.27	43.20	18.66
3 Months Ago <i>07-31-2012</i>	8.82	91.18	72.07	58.68	30.16	1.06
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	68.95	31.05	9.32	2.29	0.01	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	4.80	95.20	89.43	67.48	42.77	14.29
One Year Ago <i>11-01-2011</i>	81.62	18.38	9.04	3.61	0.56	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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