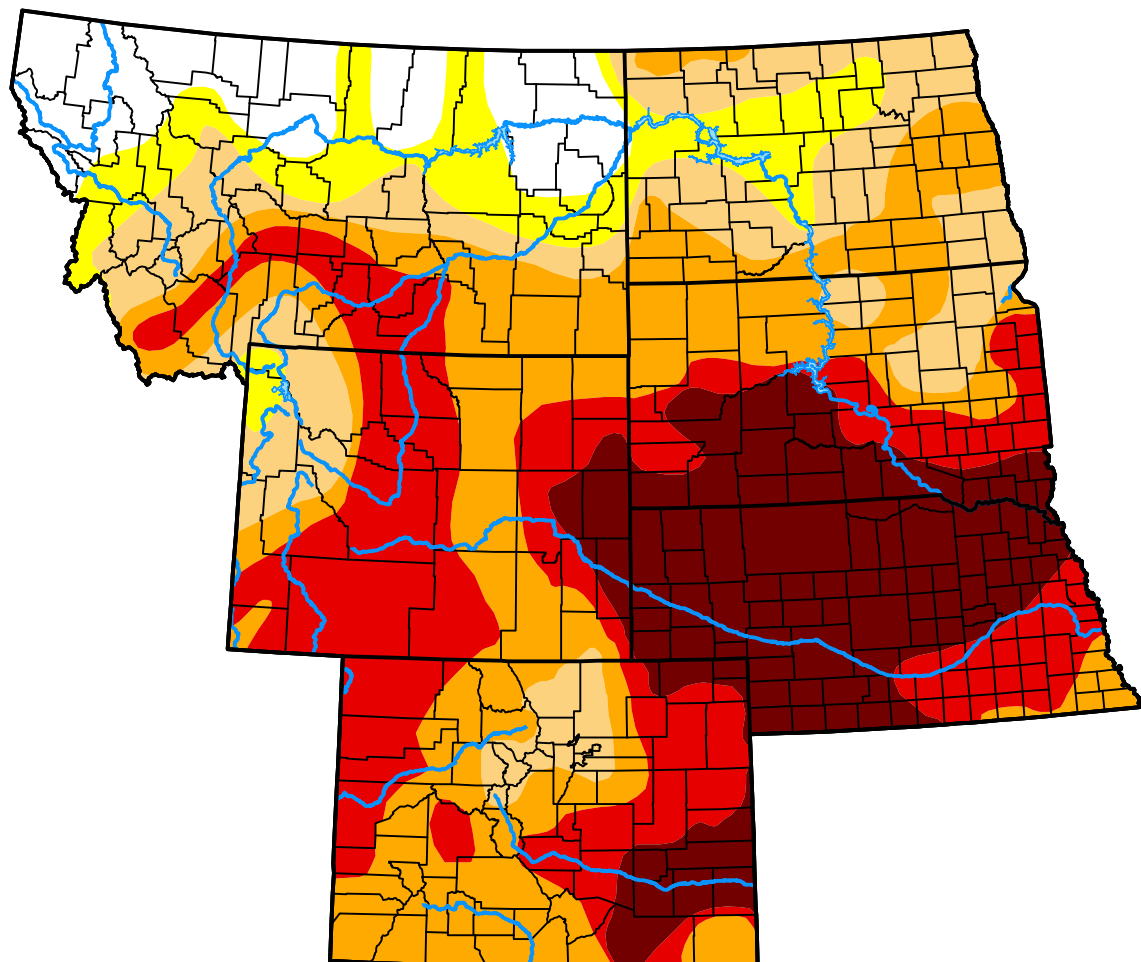


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**November 6, 2012**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 8.46  | 8.66  | 15.55 | 25.91 | 22.83 | 18.60 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-30-2012</i>              | 3.41  | 8.37  | 17.86 | 27.63 | 24.07 | 18.66 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>08-07-2012</i>           | 8.82  | 18.28 | 14.26 | 27.76 | 29.38 | 1.49  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 68.95 | 21.72 | 7.03  | 2.29  | 0.01  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2012</i>    | 4.80  | 5.77  | 21.95 | 24.71 | 28.48 | 14.29 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>11-08-2011</i>           | 80.14 | 11.07 | 5.63  | 2.83  | 0.23  | 0.11  |

**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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