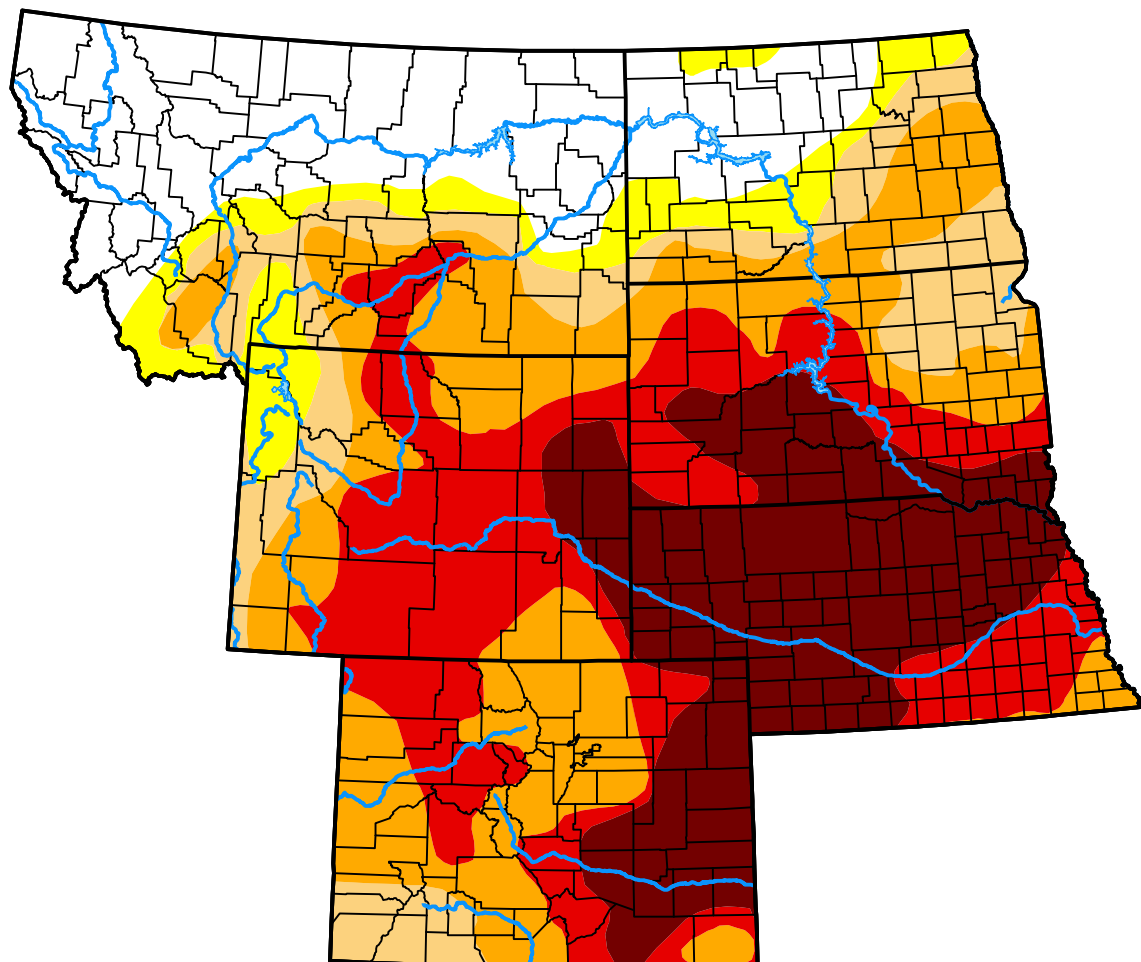


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	19.27	80.73	74.11	63.37	41.26	20.57
Last Week <i>02-19-2013</i>	19.71	80.29	74.12	63.37	41.28	20.64
3 Months Ago <i>11-27-2012</i>	12.68	87.32	78.05	67.37	41.38	18.55
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2013</i>	14.83	85.17	76.87	66.98	43.85	18.79
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>02-28-2012</i>	56.52	43.48	12.71	2.28	0.04	0.00

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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