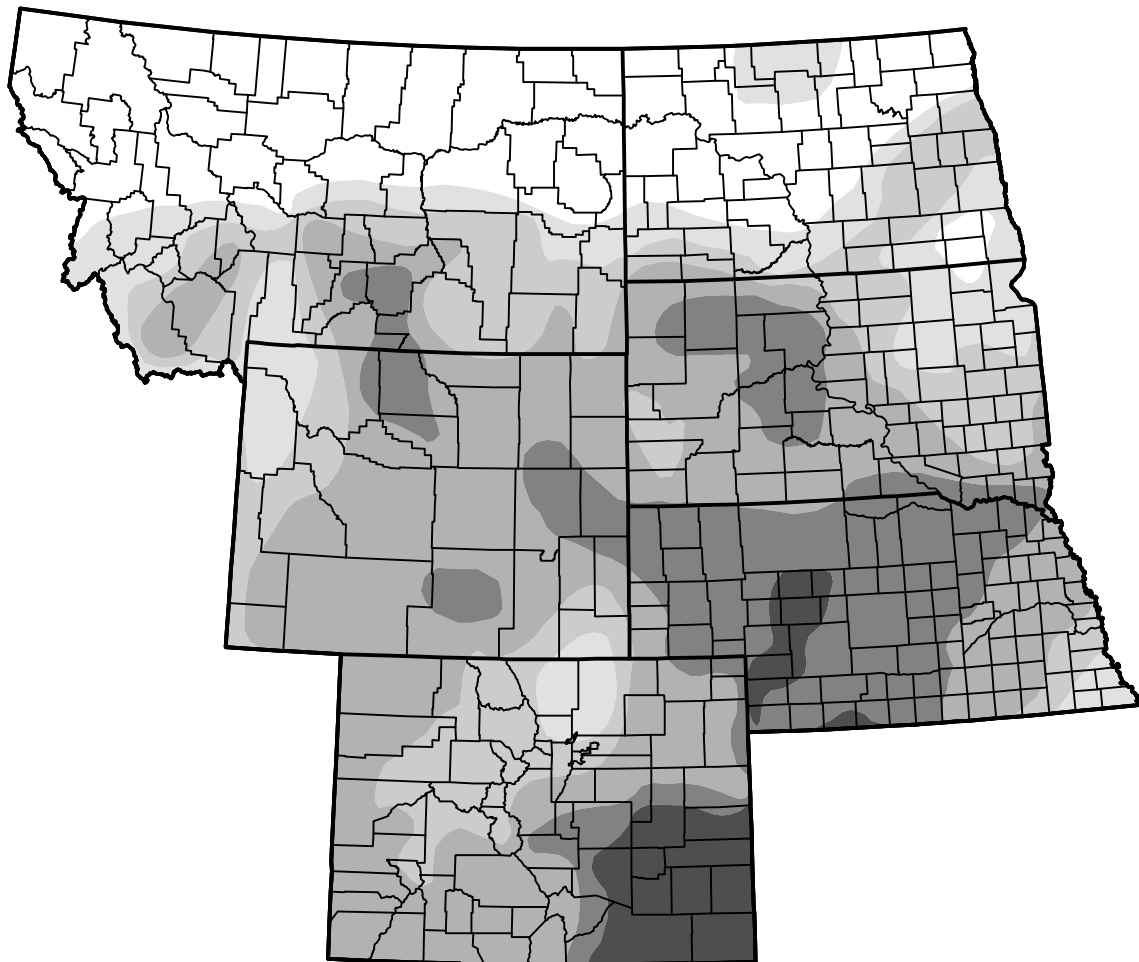


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**May 7, 2013**

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 20.64 | 10.89 | 16.60 | 31.65 | 15.92 | 4.29  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-30-2013</i>              | 21.10 | 9.07  | 16.50 | 31.99 | 17.05 | 4.29  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-05-2013</i>           | 17.36 | 6.55  | 8.18  | 23.75 | 23.45 | 20.71 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2013</i> | 14.83 | 8.30  | 9.89  | 23.13 | 25.06 | 18.79 |
| <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>05-08-2012</i>           | 56.47 | 28.95 | 9.23  | 5.35  | 0.00  | 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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