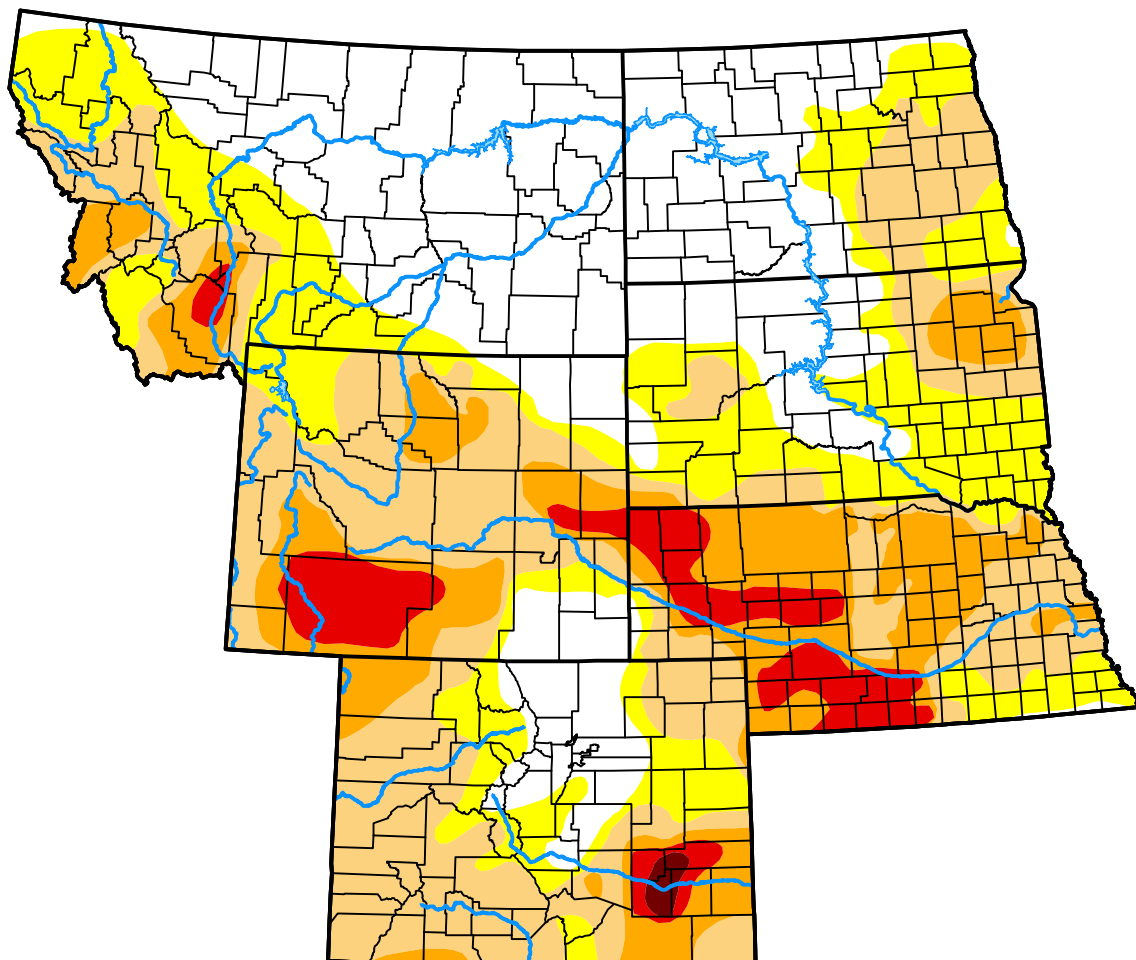


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**September 17, 2013**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 32.42 | 67.58 | 46.36 | 19.22 | 5.71  | 0.27  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-10-2013</i>              | 28.73 | 71.27 | 55.08 | 30.21 | 10.29 | 0.65  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-18-2013</i>           | 33.33 | 66.67 | 55.23 | 33.58 | 13.11 | 3.67  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2013</i> | 14.83 | 85.17 | 76.87 | 66.98 | 43.85 | 18.79 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2012</i>    | 4.80  | 95.20 | 89.43 | 67.48 | 42.77 | 14.29 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-18-2012</i>           | 5.06  | 94.94 | 87.46 | 66.58 | 42.19 | 13.72 |

### 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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