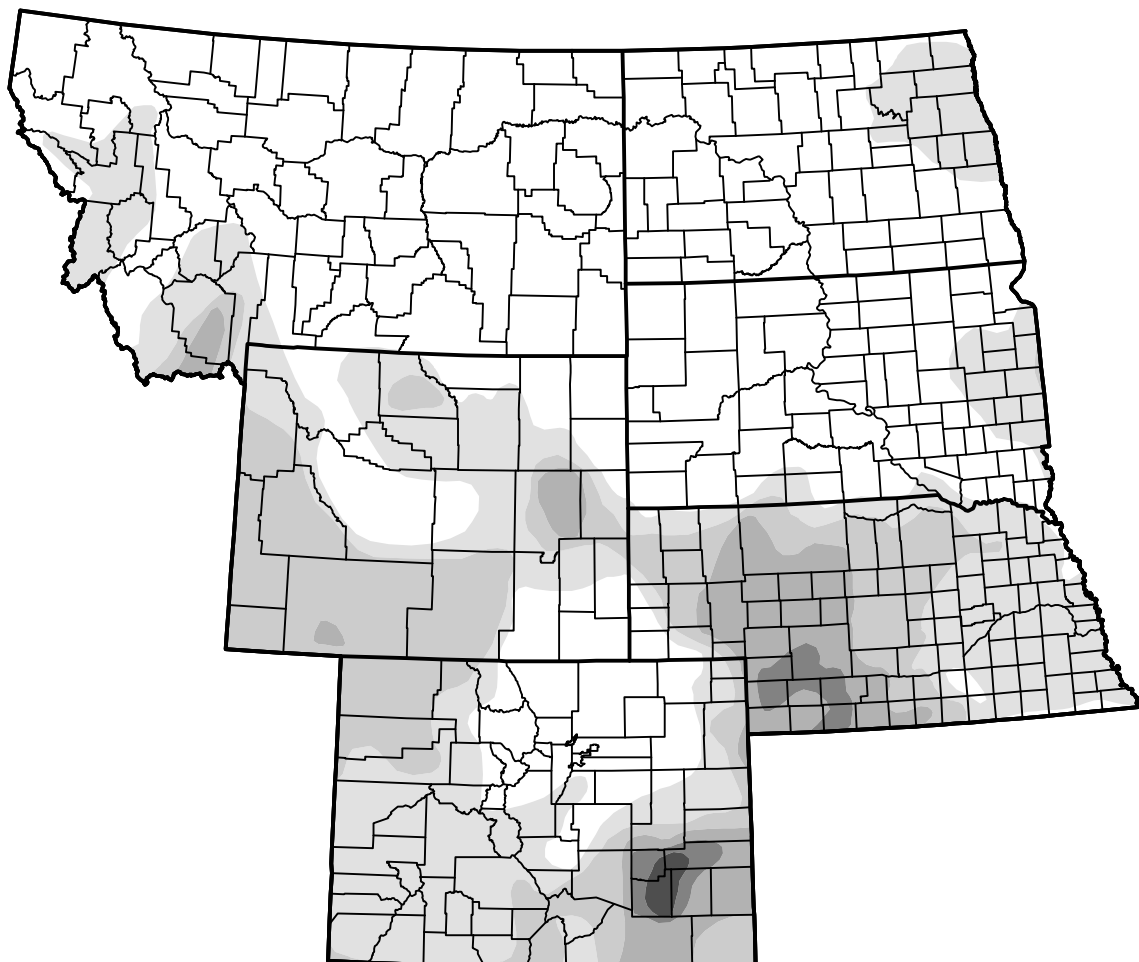


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.56	24.44	14.16	5.47	1.10	0.27
Last Week <i>10-08-2013</i>	49.48	25.20	16.67	7.04	1.35	0.27
3 Months Ago <i>07-16-2013</i>	35.60	11.56	17.36	21.53	10.41	3.52
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2013</i>	14.83	8.30	9.89	23.13	25.06	18.79
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	24.97	20.81	10.88	1.83	0.27
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2012</i>	3.34	7.30	18.29	29.87	22.55	18.66

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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