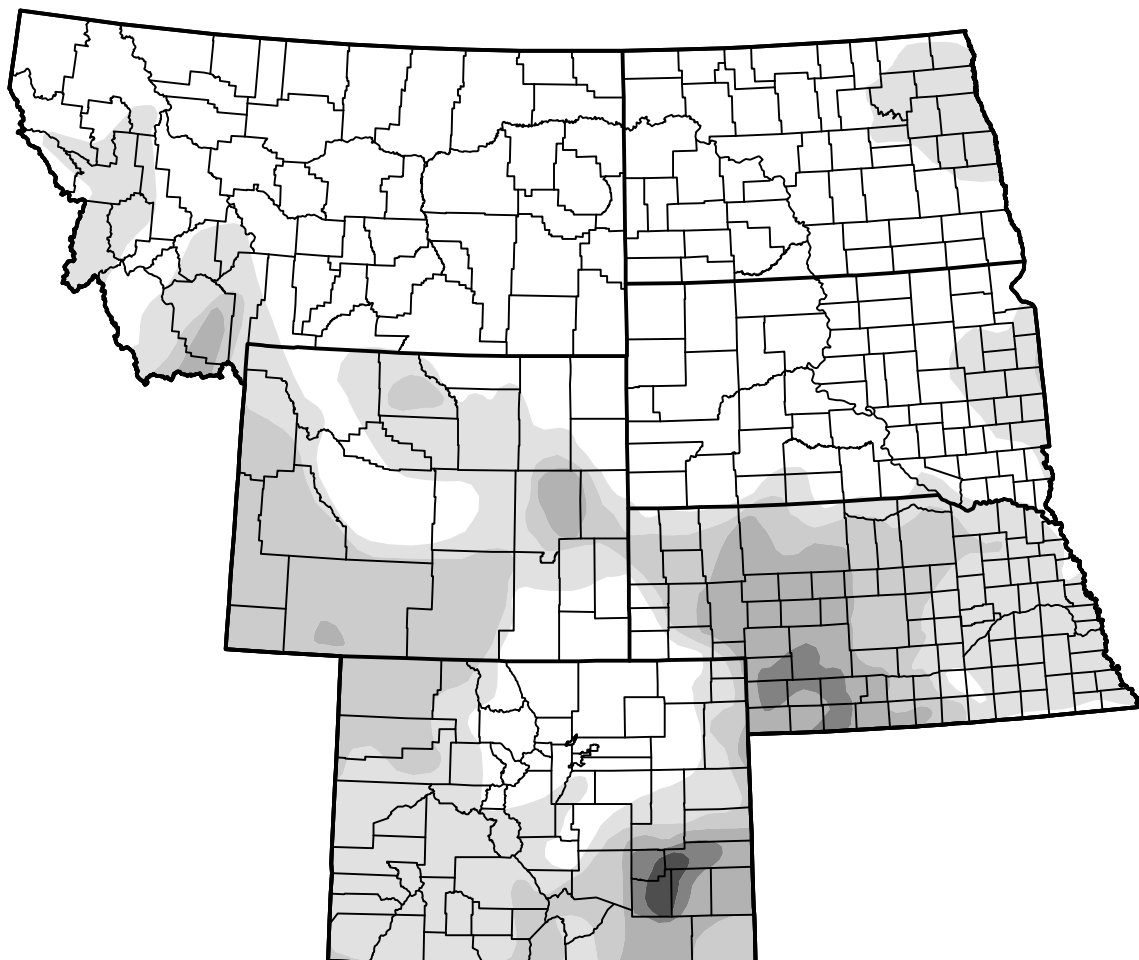


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	54.56	45.44	21.00	6.84	1.37	0.27
Last Week <i>10-08-2013</i>	49.48	50.52	25.32	8.65	1.62	0.27
3 Months Ago <i>07-16-2013</i>	35.60	64.40	52.83	35.47	13.93	3.52
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>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	58.76	33.79	12.98	2.10	0.27
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2012</i>	3.34	96.66	89.36	71.07	41.20	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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