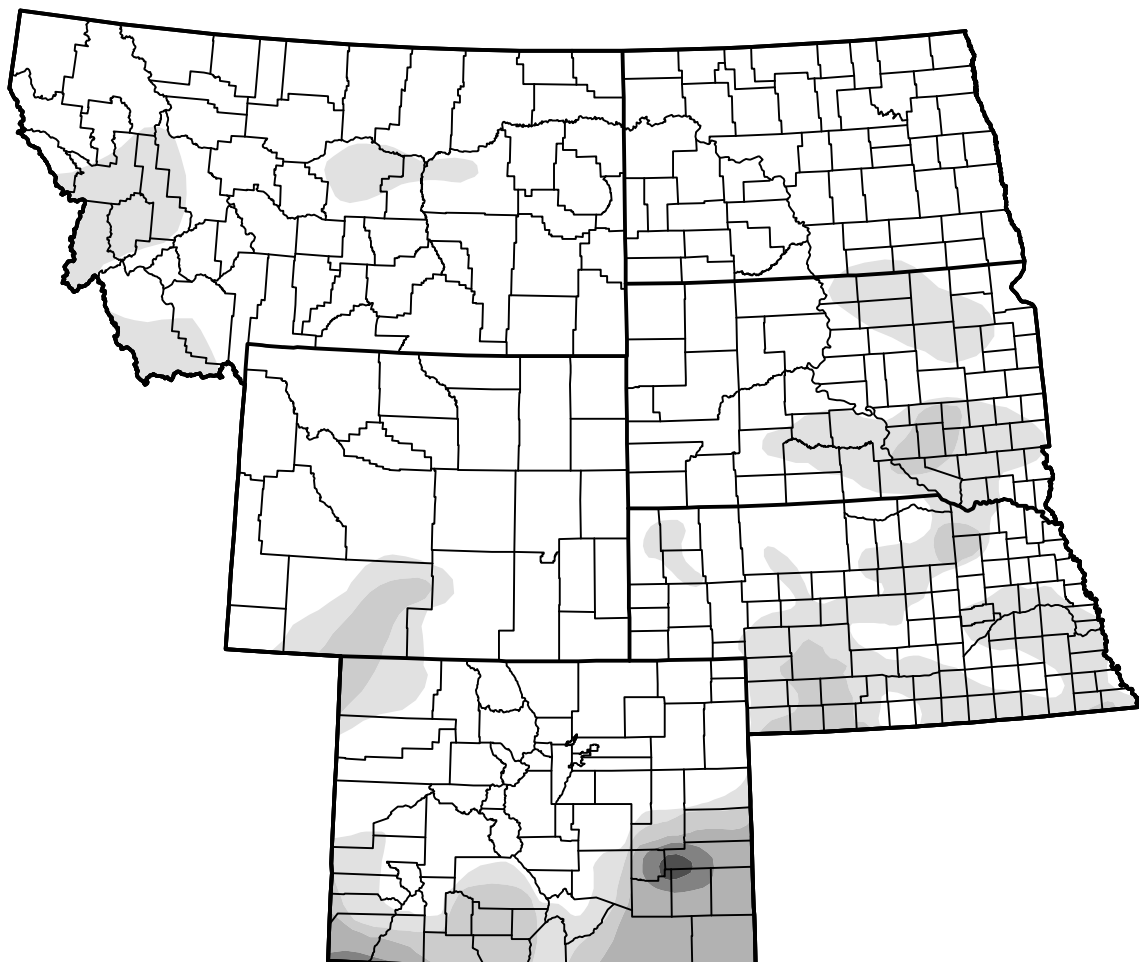


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**August 5, 2014**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 7, 2014)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 77.24 | 22.76 | 7.00  | 2.82  | 0.49  | 0.09 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>07-29-2014              | 78.28 | 21.72 | 6.98  | 2.82  | 0.58  | 0.17 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-06-2014           | 71.85 | 28.15 | 17.66 | 7.57  | 2.11  | 0.34 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-31-2013 | 61.90 | 38.10 | 12.18 | 6.04  | 1.37  | 0.27 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>10-01-2013    | 41.24 | 58.76 | 33.79 | 12.98 | 2.10  | 0.27 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-06-2013           | 31.71 | 68.29 | 52.84 | 33.11 | 13.21 | 1.59 |

**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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