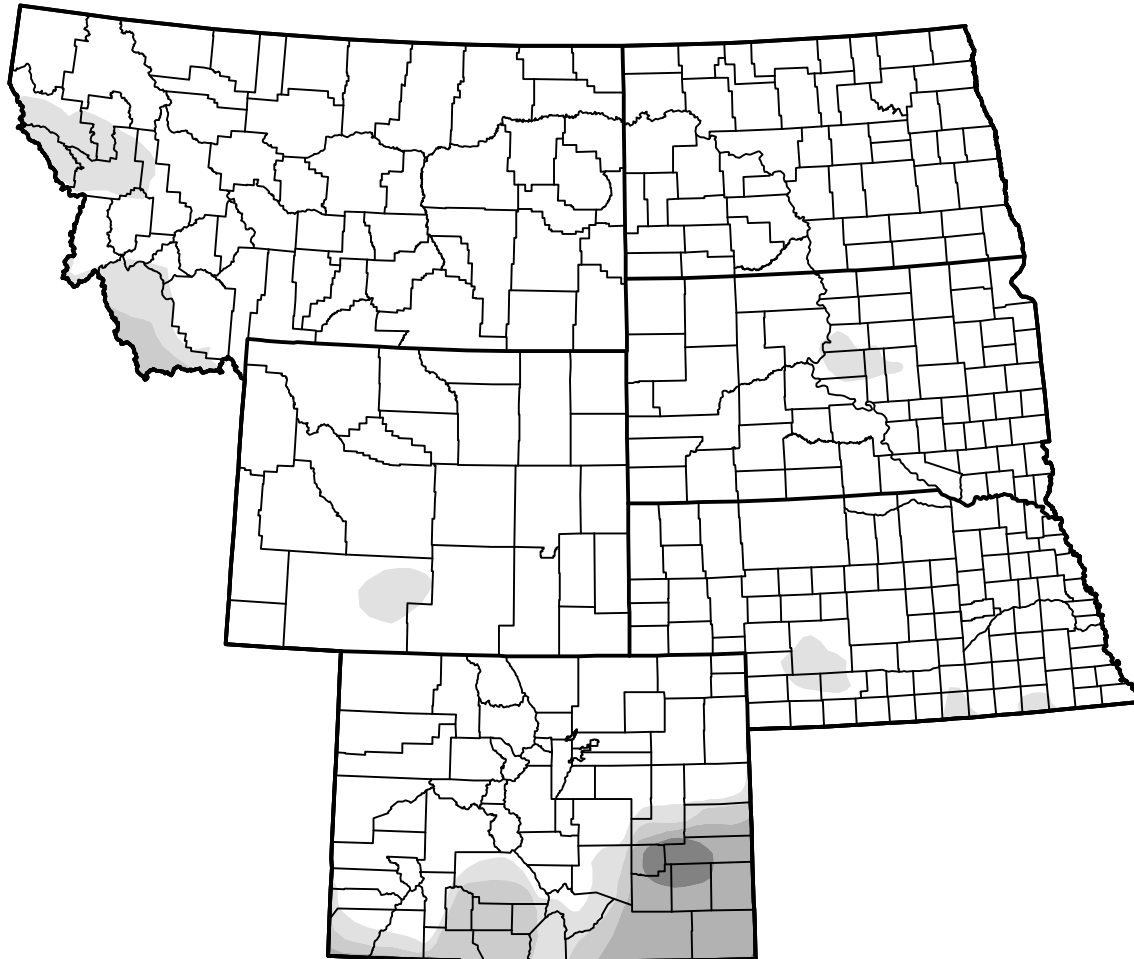


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

**September 30, 2014**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	90.80	9.20	4.48	2.51	0.42	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-23-2014</i>	90.42	9.58	4.78	2.56	0.42	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-01-2014</i>	83.35	16.65	6.66	3.18	1.69	0.34
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2013</i>	61.90	38.10	12.18	6.04	1.37	0.27
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	58.76	33.79	12.98	2.10	0.27
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	58.76	33.79	12.98	2.10	0.27

***Intensity:***



*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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