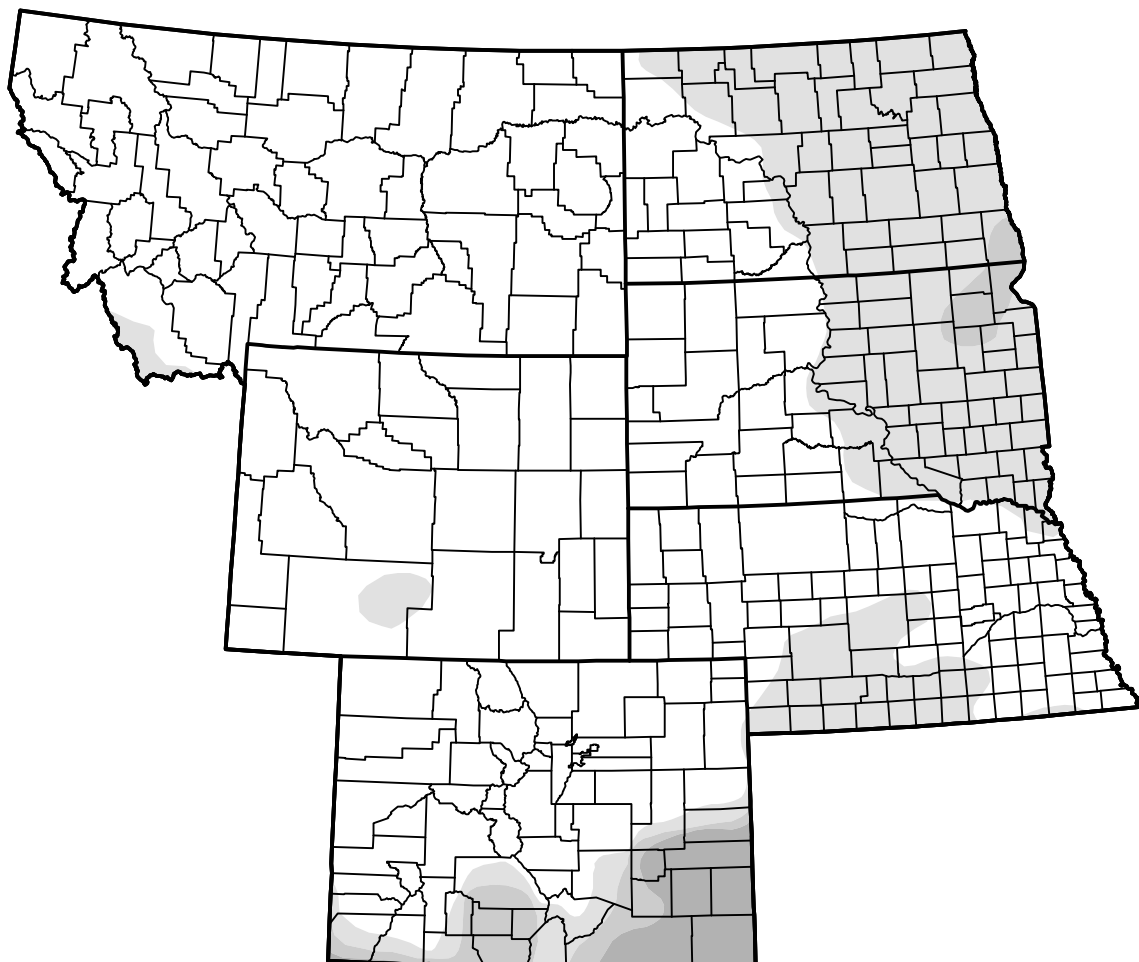


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	75.26	24.74	4.64	2.22	0.00	0.00
Last Week 12-16-2014	76.74	23.26	4.64	2.22	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-23-2014	90.42	9.58	4.78	2.56	0.42	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2013	61.90	38.10	12.18	6.04	1.37	0.27
Start of Water Year 09-30-2014	90.80	9.20	4.48	2.51	0.42	0.00
One Year Ago 12-24-2013	61.90	38.10	12.18	6.04	1.49	0.27

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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