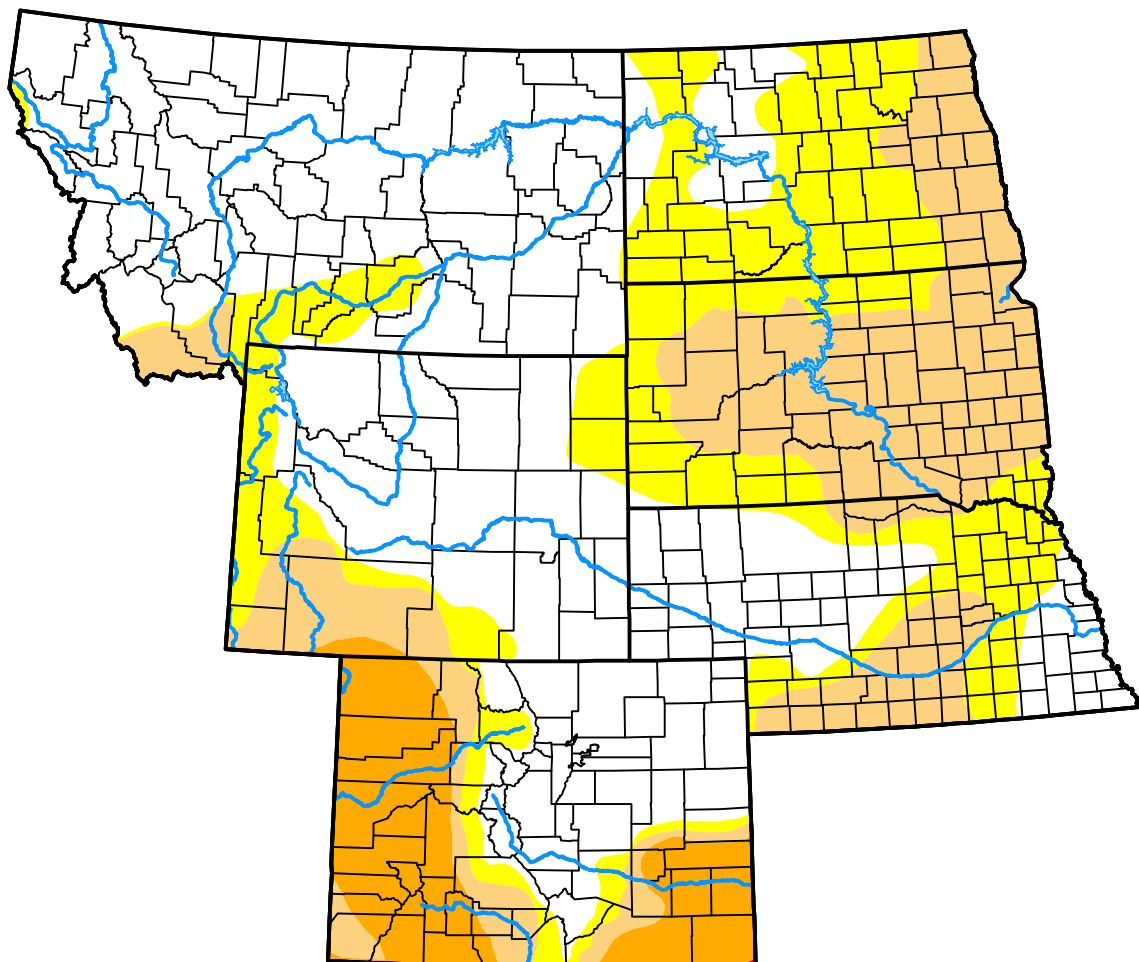


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	51.19	21.50	20.03	7.28	0.01	0.00
Last Week <i>04-14-2015</i>	45.01	27.75	19.83	7.41	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-20-2015</i>	74.26	21.08	2.45	2.22	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2014</i>	75.26	20.10	2.42	2.22	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	90.80	4.72	1.97	2.09	0.42	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-22-2014</i>	69.53	16.10	7.32	5.13	1.59	0.34

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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