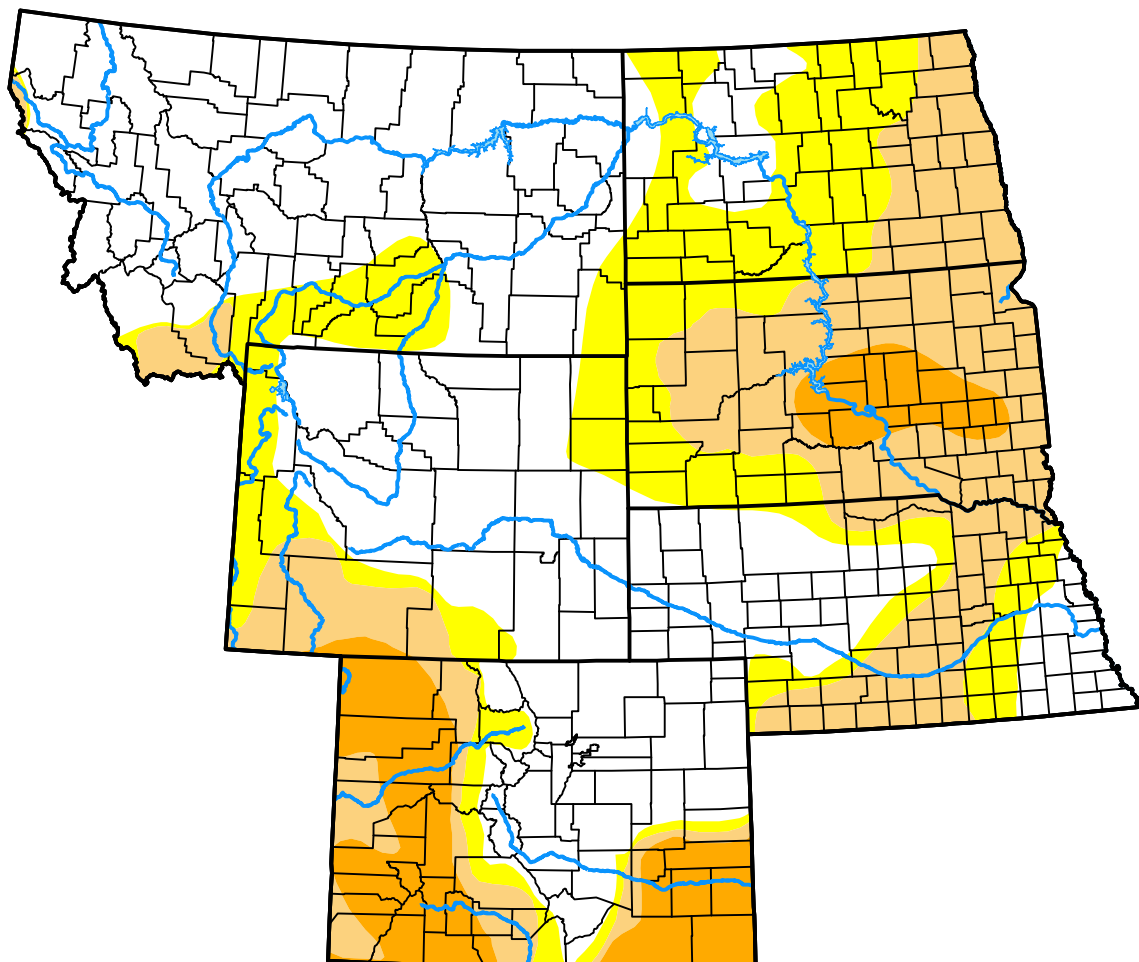


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



**April 28, 2015**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 50.06 | 49.94 | 29.93 | 8.87  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-21-2015</i>              | 51.19 | 48.81 | 27.31 | 7.29  | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-27-2015</i>           | 70.05 | 29.95 | 5.66  | 2.22  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 75.26 | 24.74 | 4.64  | 2.22  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 90.80 | 9.20  | 4.48  | 2.51  | 0.42  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-29-2014</i>           | 71.32 | 28.68 | 14.85 | 7.50  | 2.11  | 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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