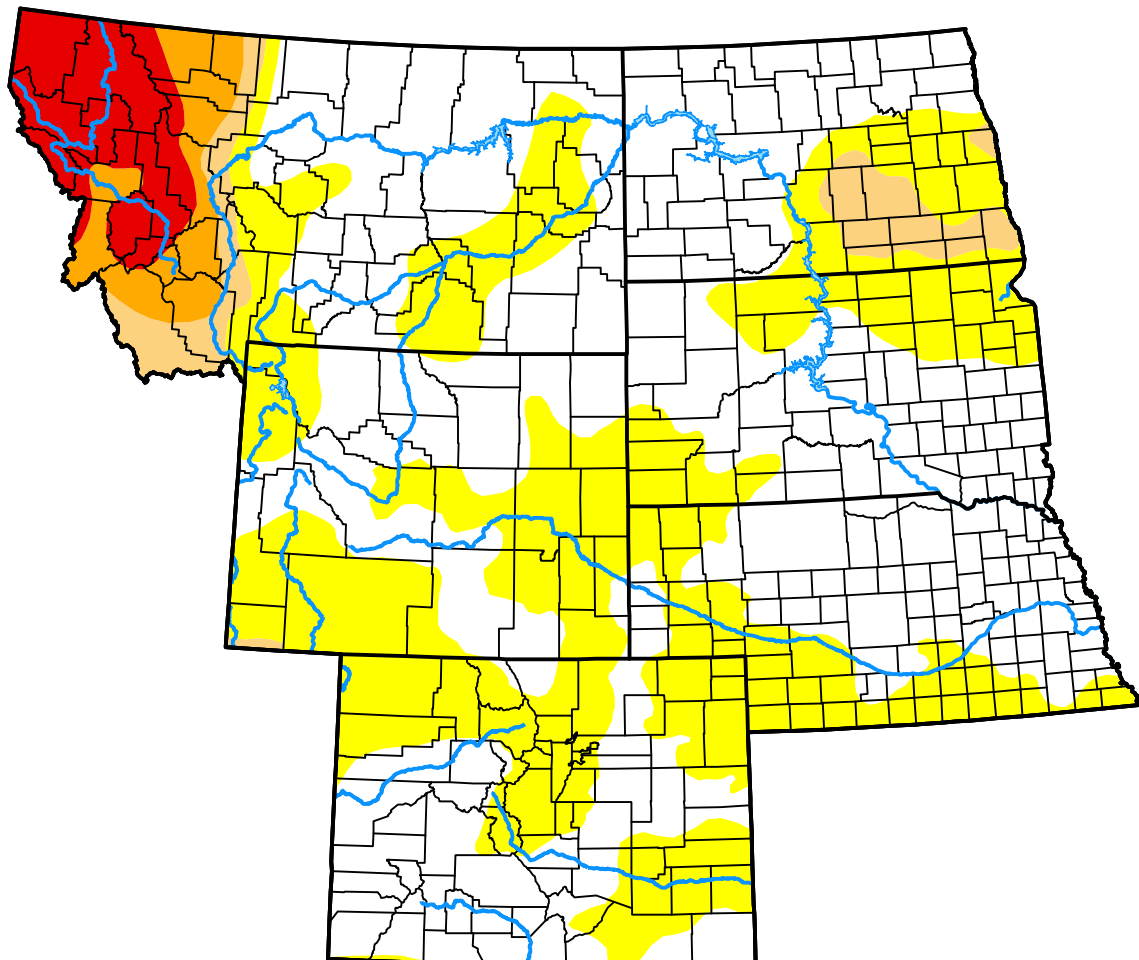


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.59	34.71	3.54	2.82	4.33	0.00
Last Week <i>10-13-2015</i>	63.74	27.16	1.90	2.87	4.33	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2015</i>	74.57	14.50	4.29	3.16	3.48	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>09-29-2015</i>	63.29	26.84	2.49	3.04	4.33	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2014</i>	89.89	6.02	1.87	2.22	0.00	0.00

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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