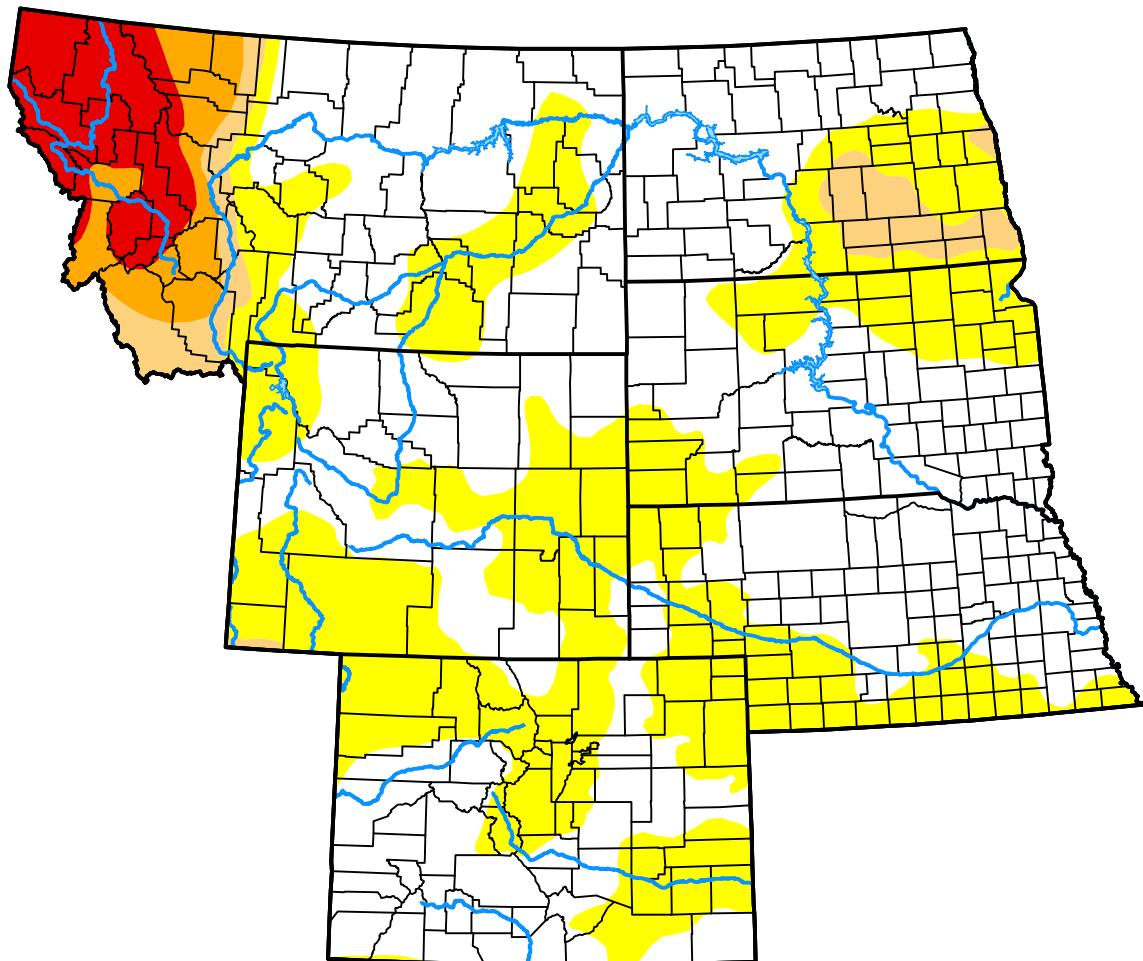


U.S. Drought Monitor

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 10-13-2015 | 63.74 | 27.16 | 1.90 | 2.87 | 4.33 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 07-21-2015 | 74.57 | 14.50 | 4.29 | 3.16 | 3.48 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 12-30-2014 | 75.26 | 20.10 | 2.42 | 2.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-29-2015 | 63.29 | 26.84 | 2.49 | 3.04 | 4.33 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 10-21-2014 | 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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