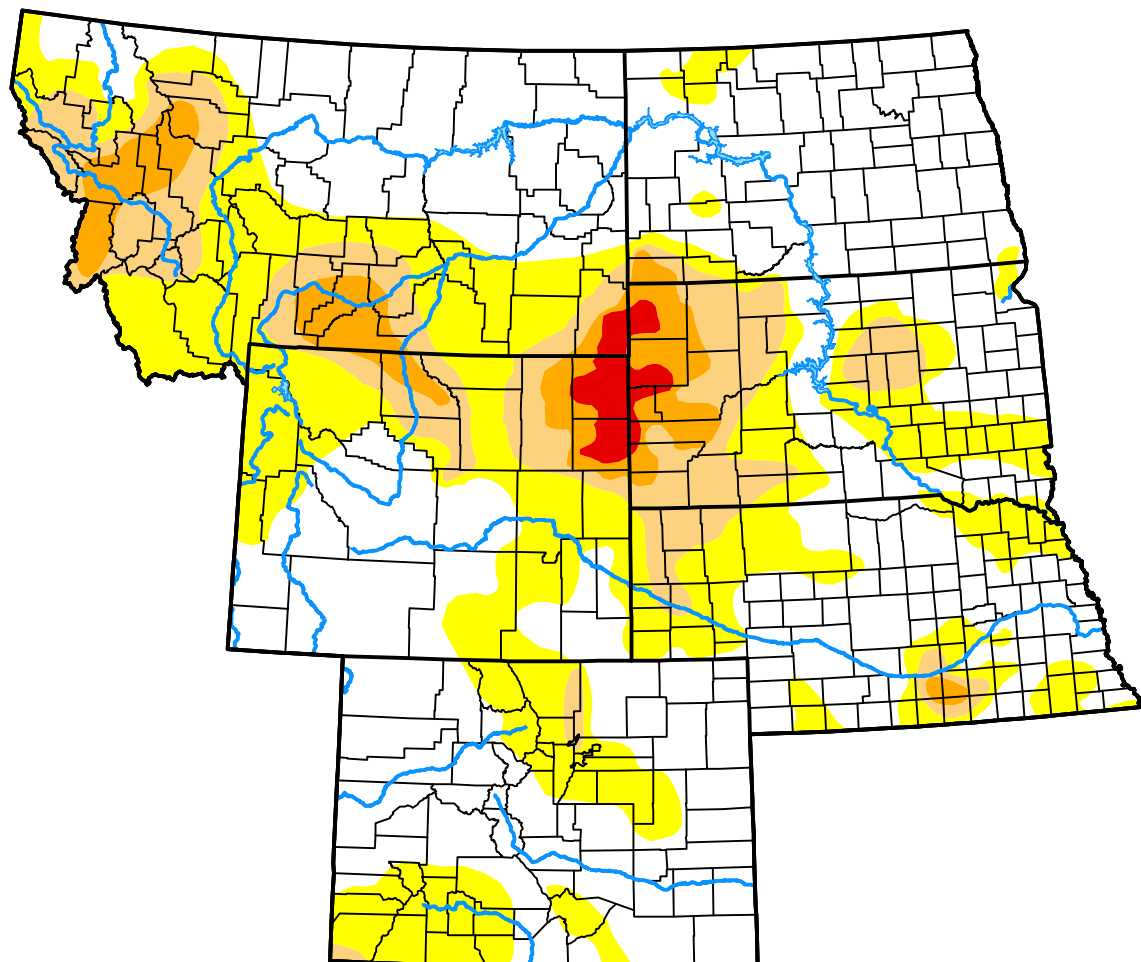


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	54.99	45.01	16.99	6.05	1.18	0.00
Last Week <i>08-09-2016</i>	52.11	47.89	18.90	6.18	1.43	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-17-2016</i>	86.96	13.04	2.89	0.18	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2015</i>	68.34	31.66	9.32	5.37	0.91	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2015</i>	63.29	36.71	9.86	7.37	4.33	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-18-2015</i>	79.41	20.59	9.23	6.02	3.68	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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