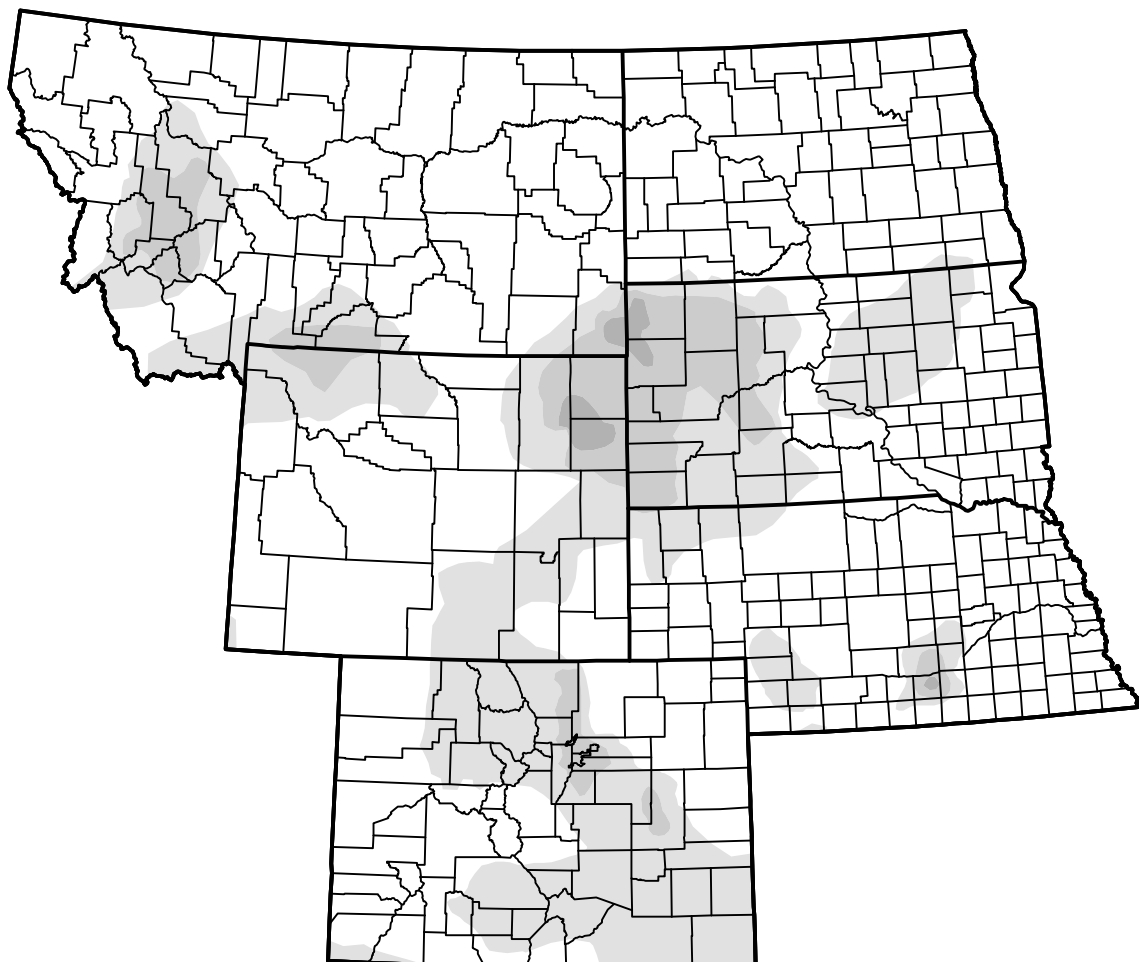


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	70.76	22.29	6.37	0.58	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-11-2016</i>	72.32	19.75	7.34	0.58	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-19-2016</i>	62.45	24.31	9.49	2.05	1.70	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2015</i>	68.34	22.34	3.95	4.46	0.91	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2016</i>	62.66	23.14	10.33	3.65	0.23	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-20-2015</i>	54.59	34.71	3.54	2.82	4.33	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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