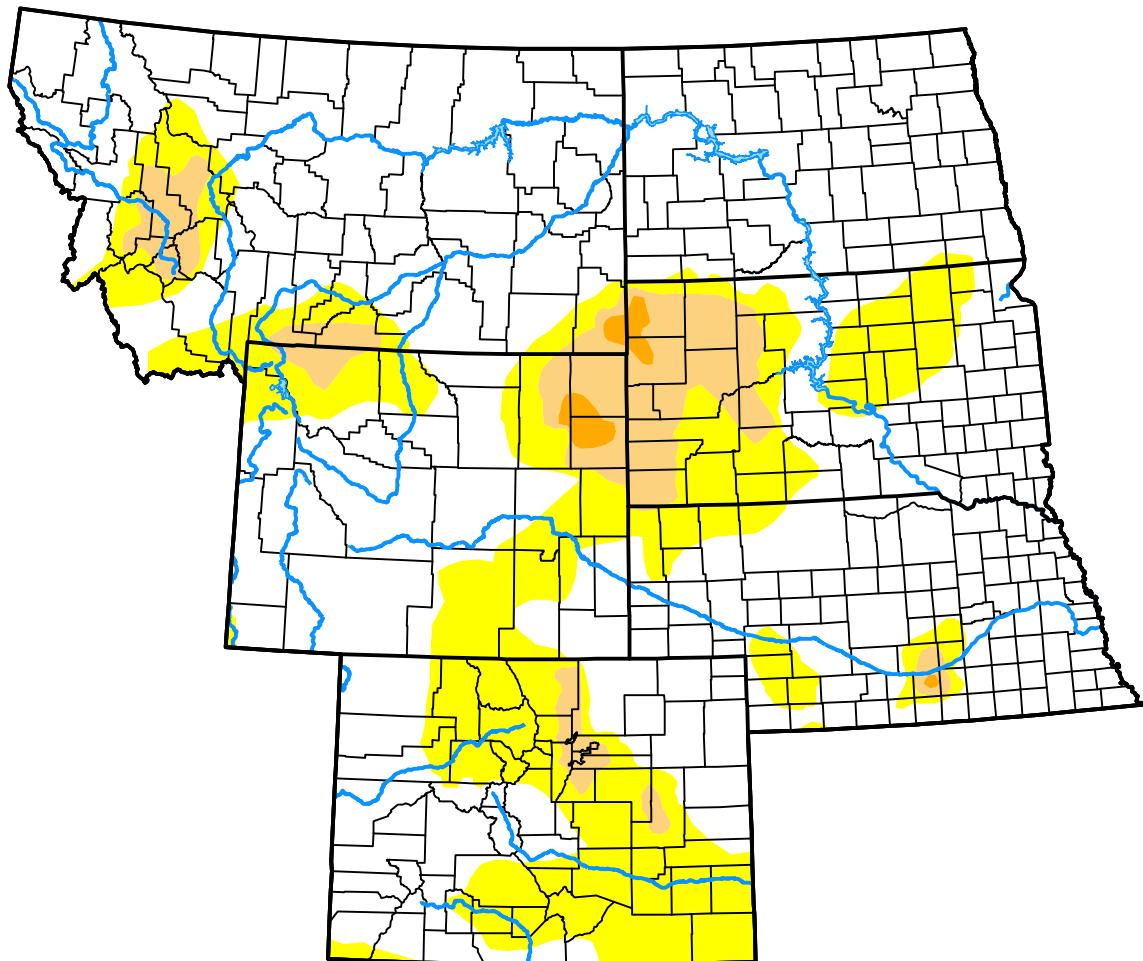


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	70.76	29.24	6.95	0.58	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-11-2016	72.32	27.68	7.92	0.58	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-19-2016	62.45	37.55	13.24	3.75	1.70	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2015	68.34	31.66	9.32	5.37	0.91	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	62.66	37.34	14.21	3.88	0.23	0.00
One Year Ago 10-20-2015	54.59	45.41	10.70	7.15	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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