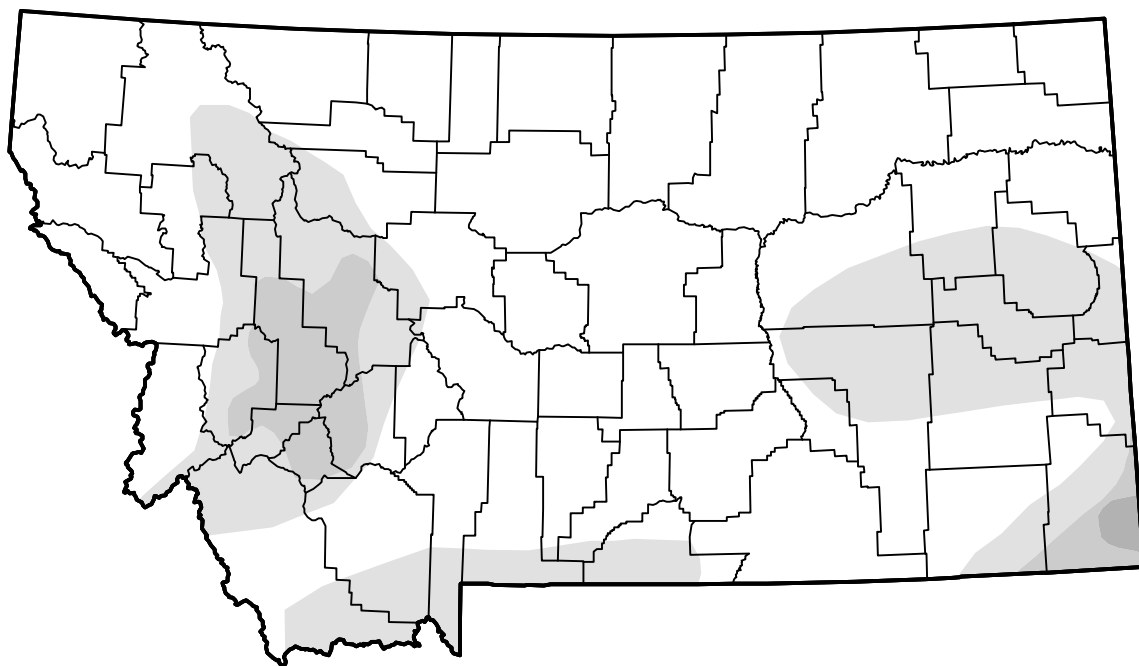


# U.S. Drought Monitor Montana



**December 13, 2016**  
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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 72.32 | 27.68 | 4.93  | 0.34  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>12-08-2016              | 72.32 | 27.68 | 4.93  | 0.34  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>09-15-2016           | 54.61 | 45.39 | 20.91 | 6.86  | 0.35  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-31-2015 | 48.55 | 51.45 | 30.93 | 20.95 | 3.54  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2016    | 55.14 | 44.86 | 25.49 | 5.86  | 0.33  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>12-17-2015           | 43.97 | 56.03 | 33.85 | 25.76 | 3.54  | 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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