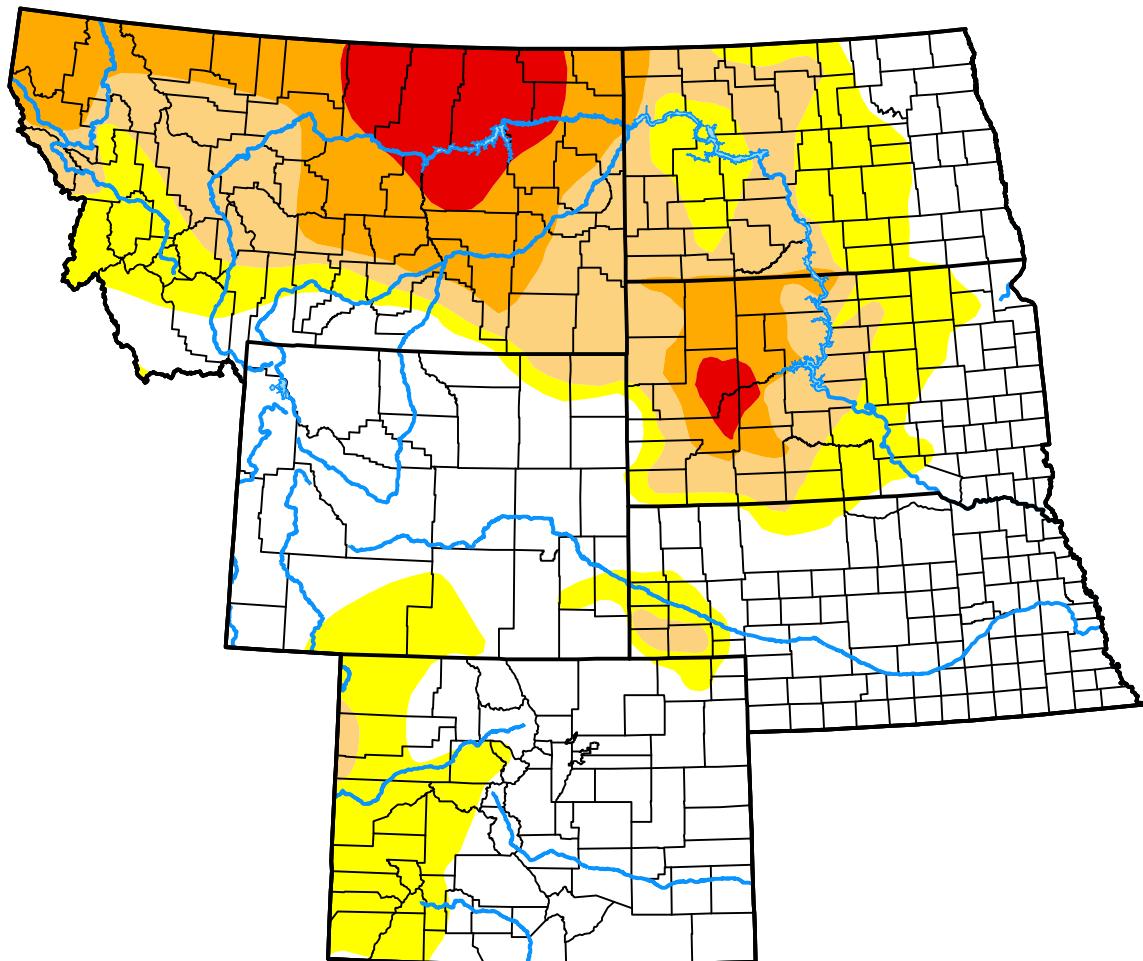


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	49.36	50.64	31.33	15.39	4.30	0.00
Last Week 10-10-2017	49.02	50.98	35.72	20.74	5.53	1.40
3 Months Ago 07-18-2017	37.80	62.20	35.66	24.28	12.10	1.18
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	61.47	38.53	15.95	1.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	42.89	57.11	39.34	25.07	12.12	4.54
One Year Ago 10-18-2016	70.76	29.24	6.95	0.58	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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