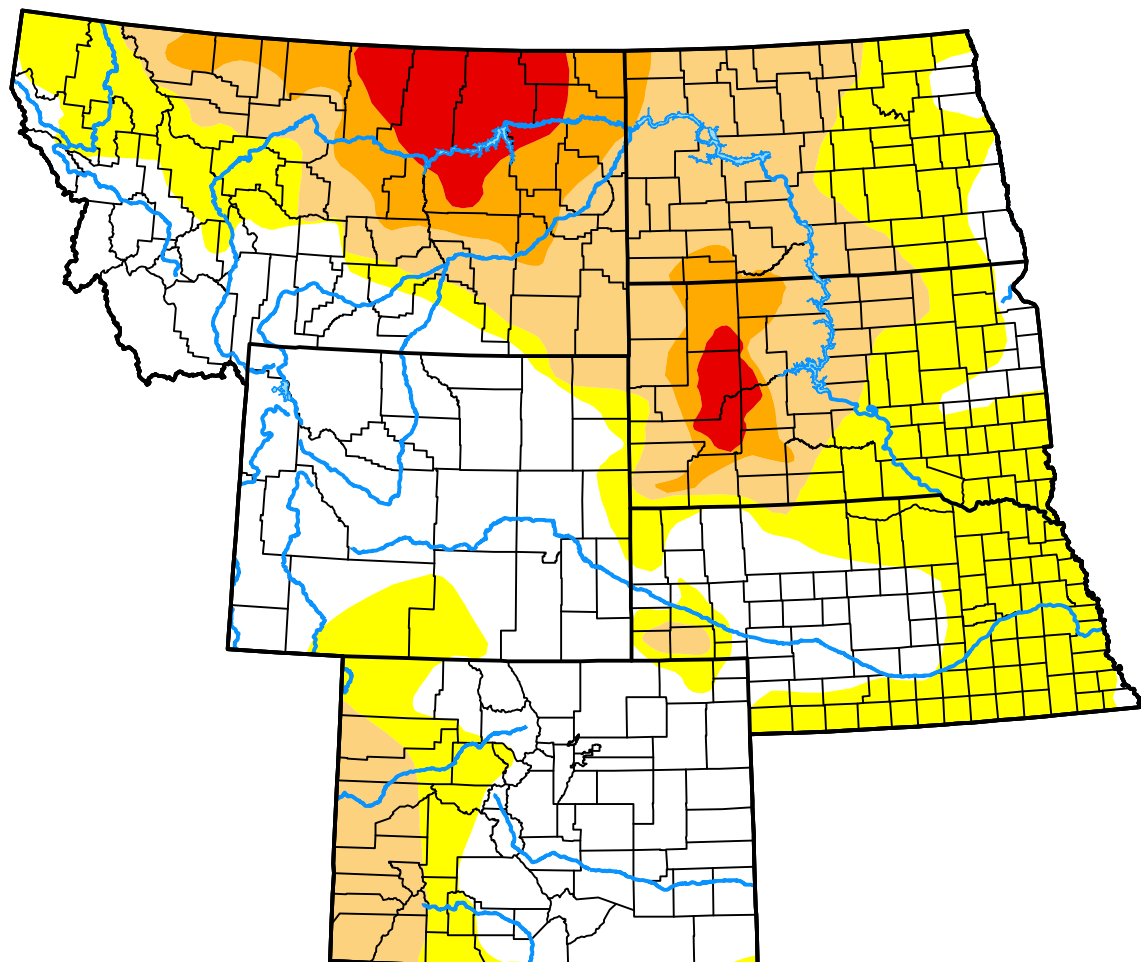


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	41.03	27.37	20.81	6.85	3.94	0.00
Last Week <i>11-28-2017</i>	51.99	18.79	18.43	6.85	3.94	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-05-2017</i>	33.82	23.31	13.26	15.05	7.86	6.70
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2017</i>	61.47	22.58	14.48	1.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2017</i>	42.89	17.77	14.27	12.95	7.58	4.54
One Year Ago <i>12-06-2016</i>	48.54	34.50	14.70	2.27	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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