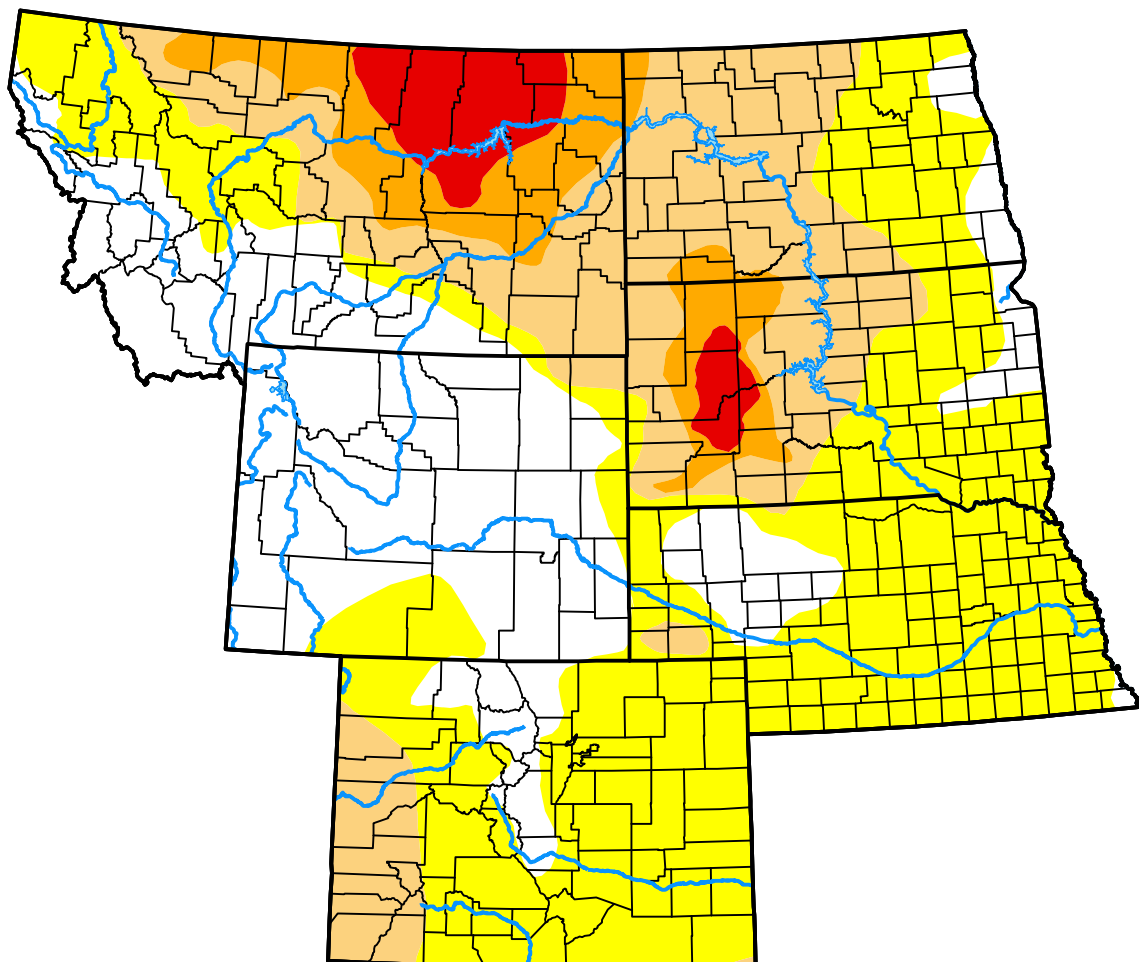


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	27.97	40.41	20.83	6.85	3.94	0.00
Last Week 12-05-2017	41.03	27.37	20.81	6.85	3.94	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-12-2017	33.00	20.52	15.80	14.62	9.35	6.70
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	61.47	22.58	14.48	1.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	42.89	17.77	14.27	12.95	7.58	4.54
One Year Ago 12-13-2016	50.97	32.05	14.69	2.29	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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