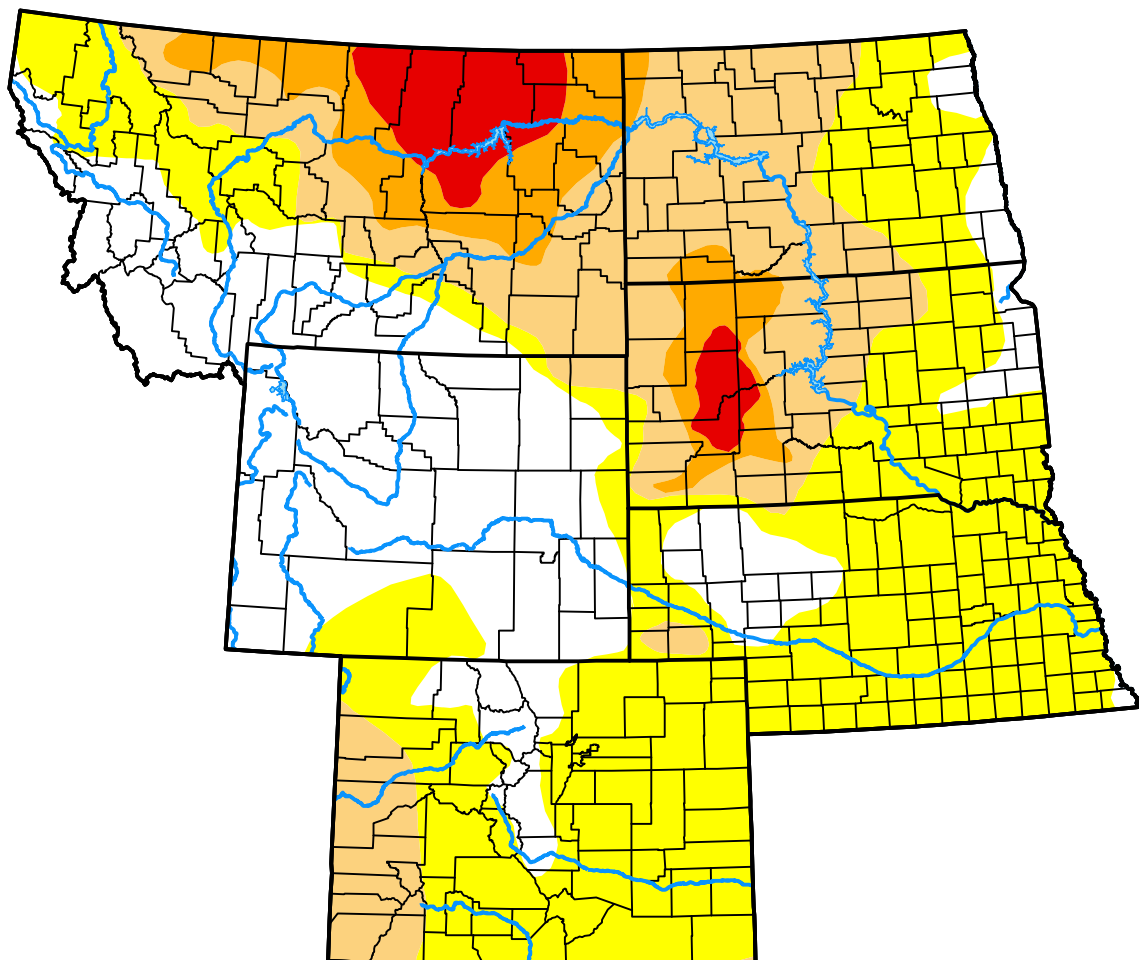


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	27.97	72.03	31.62	10.79	3.94	0.00
Last Week 12-05-2017	41.03	58.97	31.60	10.79	3.94	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-12-2017	33.00	67.00	46.48	30.68	16.05	6.70
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 12-13-2016	50.97	49.03	16.98	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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