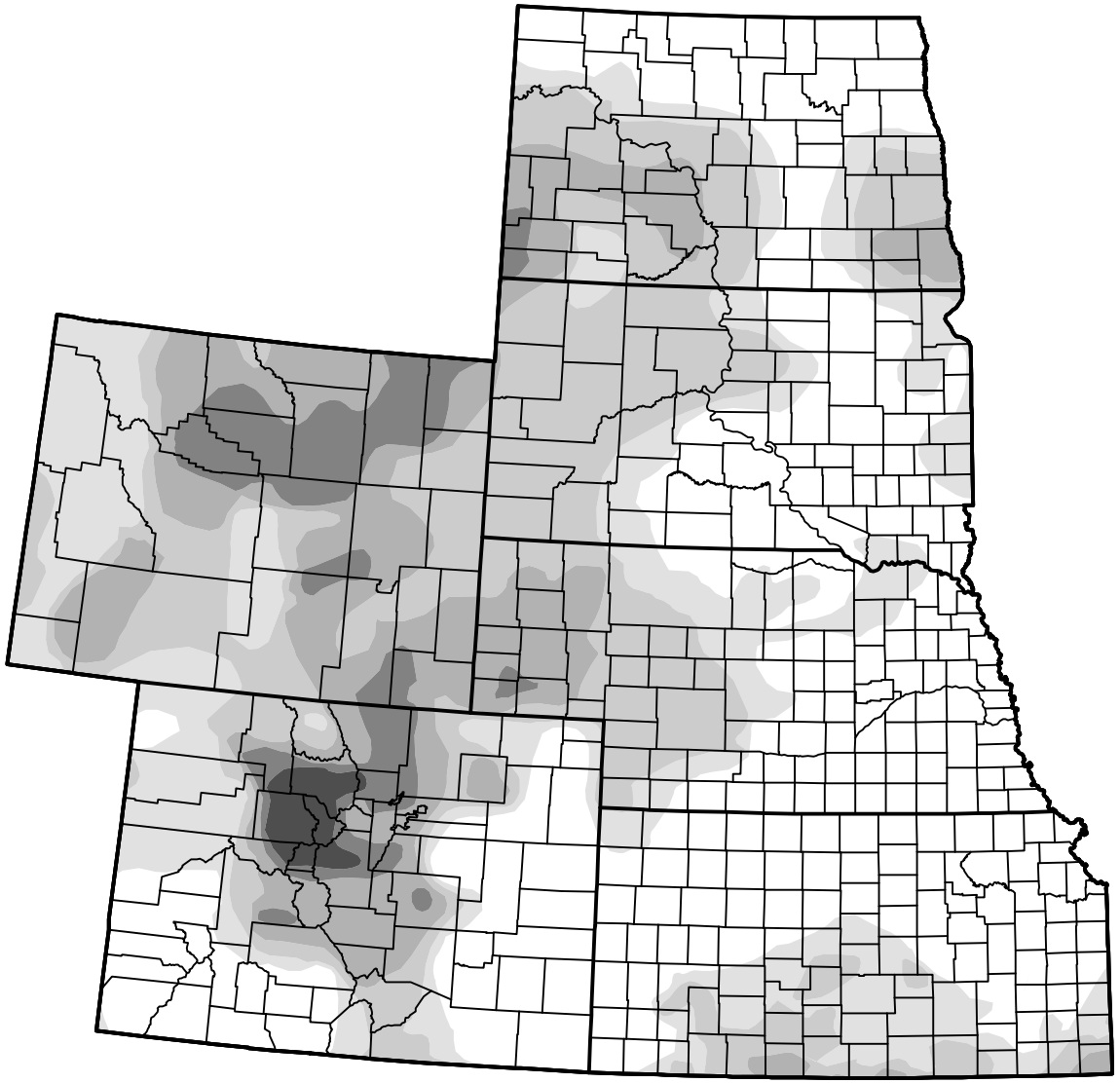
U.S. Drought Monitor

High Plains



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	38.55	19.25	22.43	13.86	5.02	0.89
Last Week *10-27-2026*	28.73	20.80	26.36	16.25	6.89	0.97
3 Months Ago *08-04-2026*	12.01	13.28	25.95	26.43	19.13	3.20
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	46.41	28.45	17.03	7.21	0.75	0.14
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	17.27	16.15	29.84	23.40	11.15	2.19
One Year Ago *11-04-2025*	61.16	21.08	10.51	5.93	1.32	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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