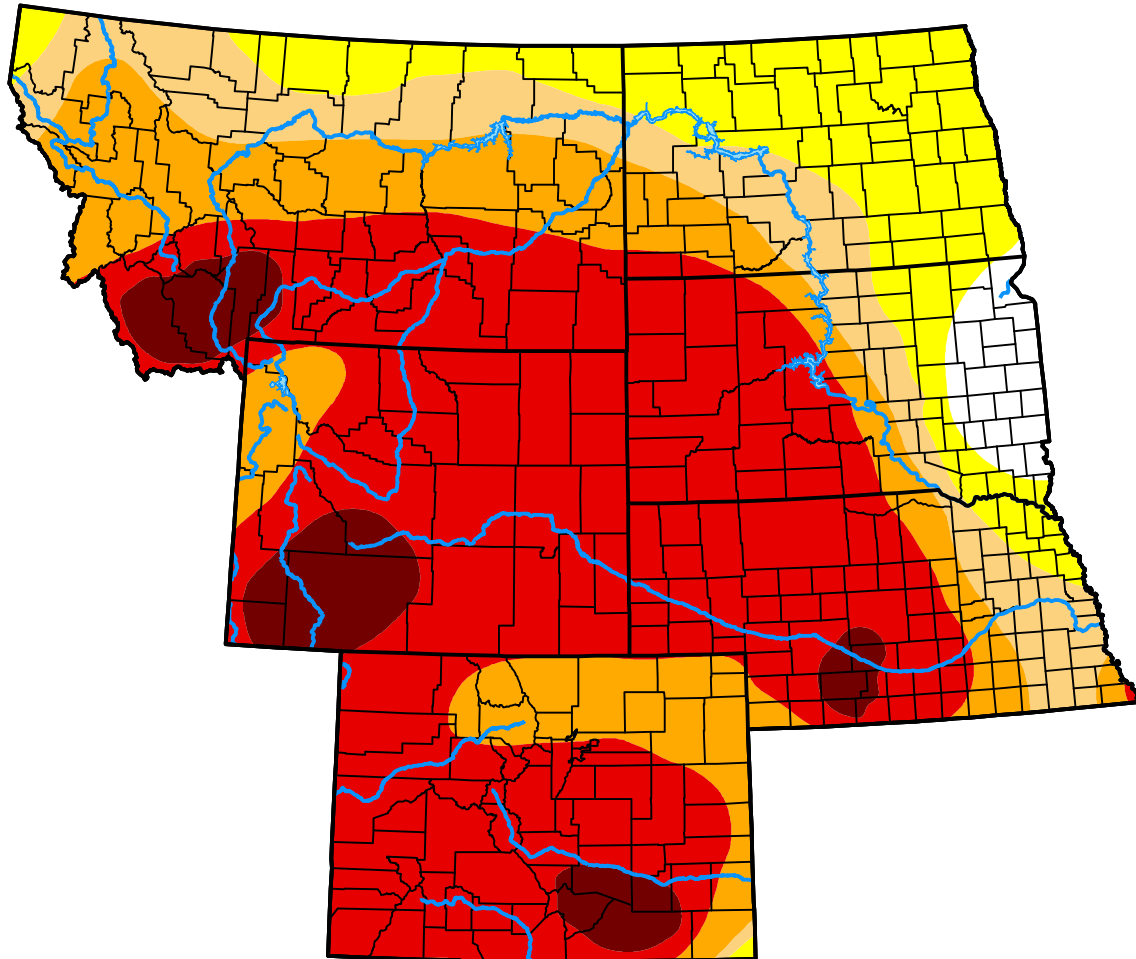


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	2.44	97.56	84.17	72.66	53.59	6.35
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	5.32	94.68	83.14	71.20	48.98	4.25
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>10-08-2002</i>	10.96	89.04	74.87	61.57	44.08	3.79
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	5.32	94.68	83.14	71.20	48.98	4.25
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	14.70	85.30	70.88	59.85	46.19	9.48
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>01-08-2002</i>	20.87	79.13	46.04	33.32	15.59	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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