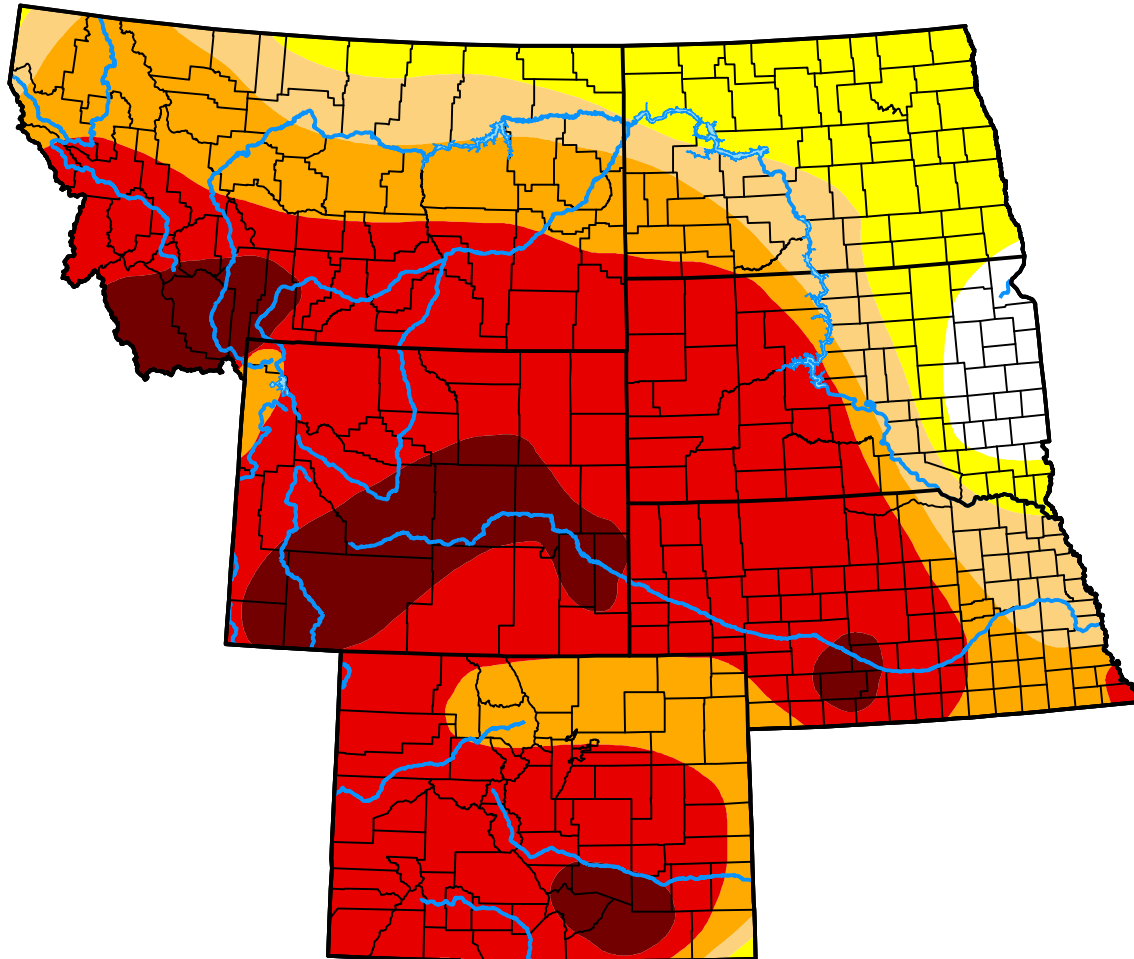


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## 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>	2.41	97.59	85.32	75.07	56.44	10.50
<b>Last Week</b> <i>01-07-2003</i>	2.44	97.56	84.17	72.66	53.59	6.35
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>10-15-2002</i>	11.01	88.99	74.90	63.36	45.95	3.82
<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>01-15-2002</i>	18.00	82.00	45.77	32.58	15.49	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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