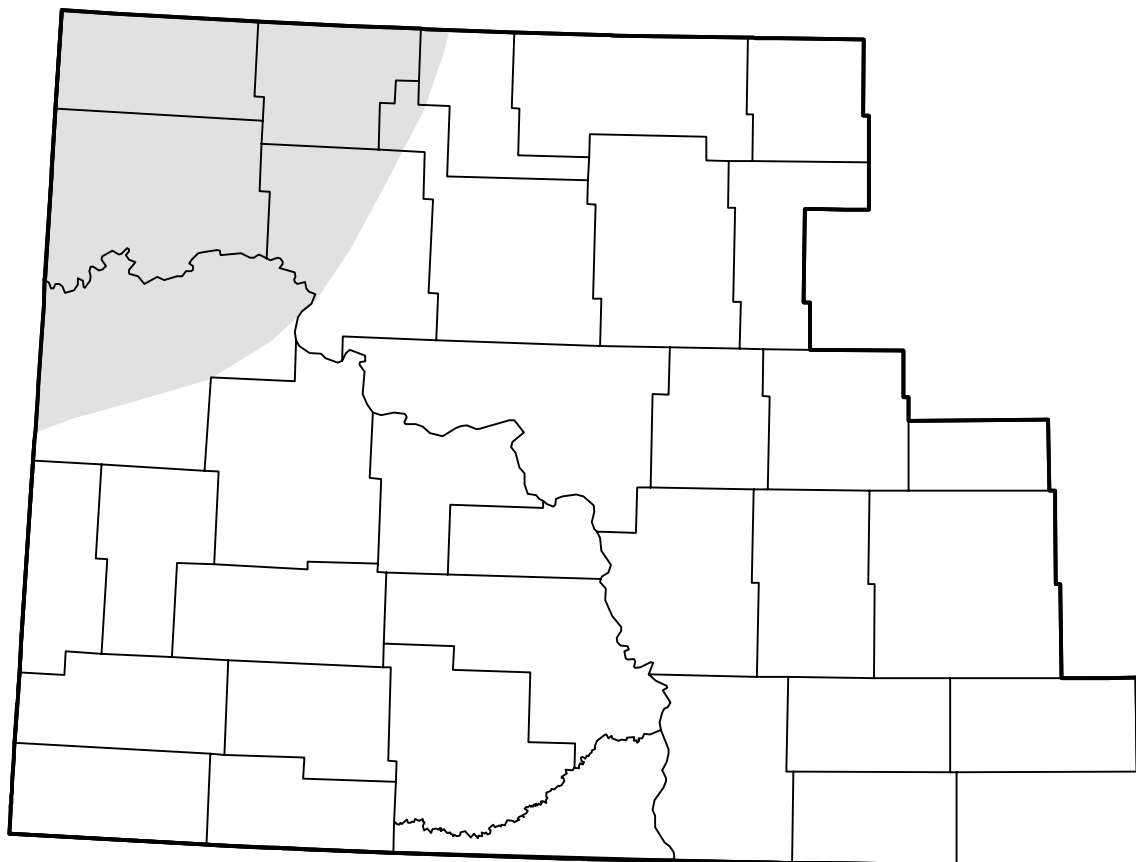


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Bismarck, ND WFO

**December 22, 2009**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 24, 2009)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	84.93	15.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-17-2009</i>	84.93	15.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-24-2009</i>	78.28	21.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2009</i>	64.82	12.68	22.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2009</i>	71.60	28.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-24-2008</i>	64.82	12.68	22.50	0.00	0.00	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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