

U.S. Drought Monitor

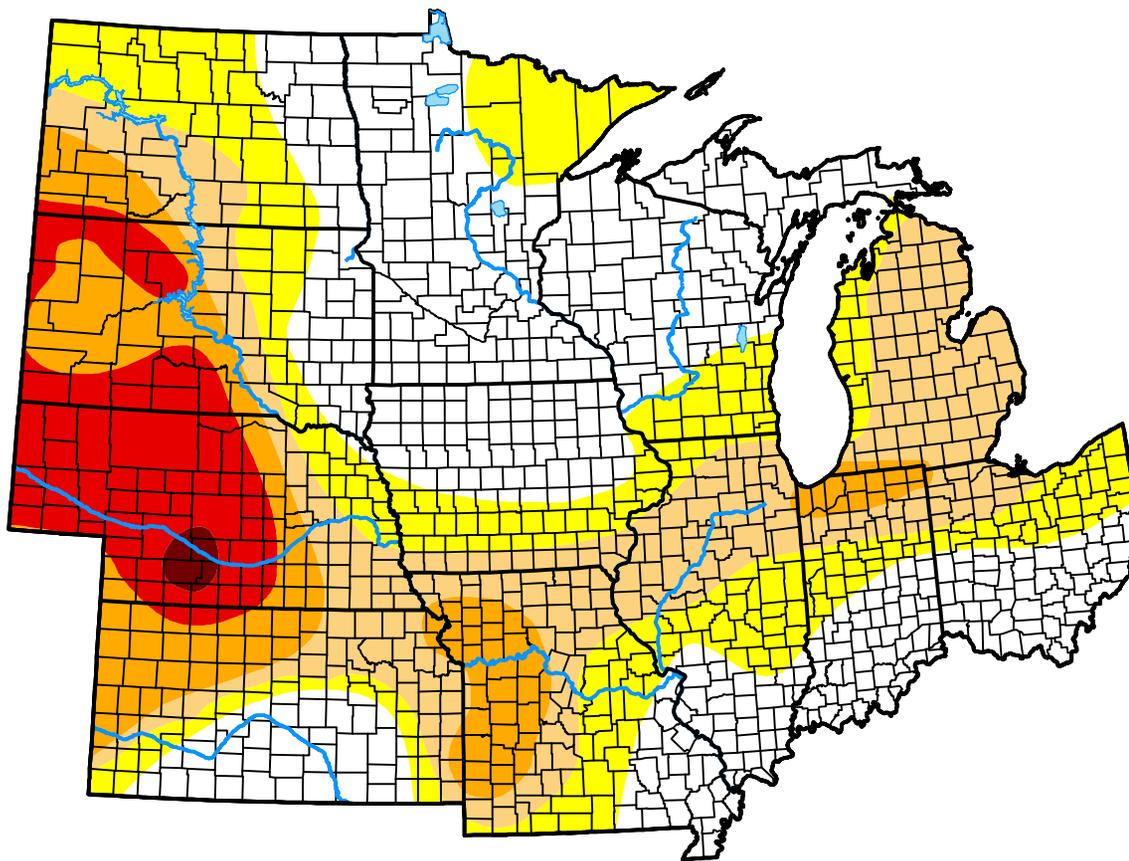
North Central States

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.93	62.07	40.22	20.69	9.26	0.43
Last Week <i>12-10-2002</i>	39.23	60.77	37.89	19.94	9.18	0.48
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2002</i>	53.40	46.60	33.59	18.47	9.89	1.42
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	74.67	25.33	7.54	0.07	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	44.74	55.26	33.34	18.80	9.86	1.50
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2001</i>	78.54	21.46	6.28	0.04	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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