

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

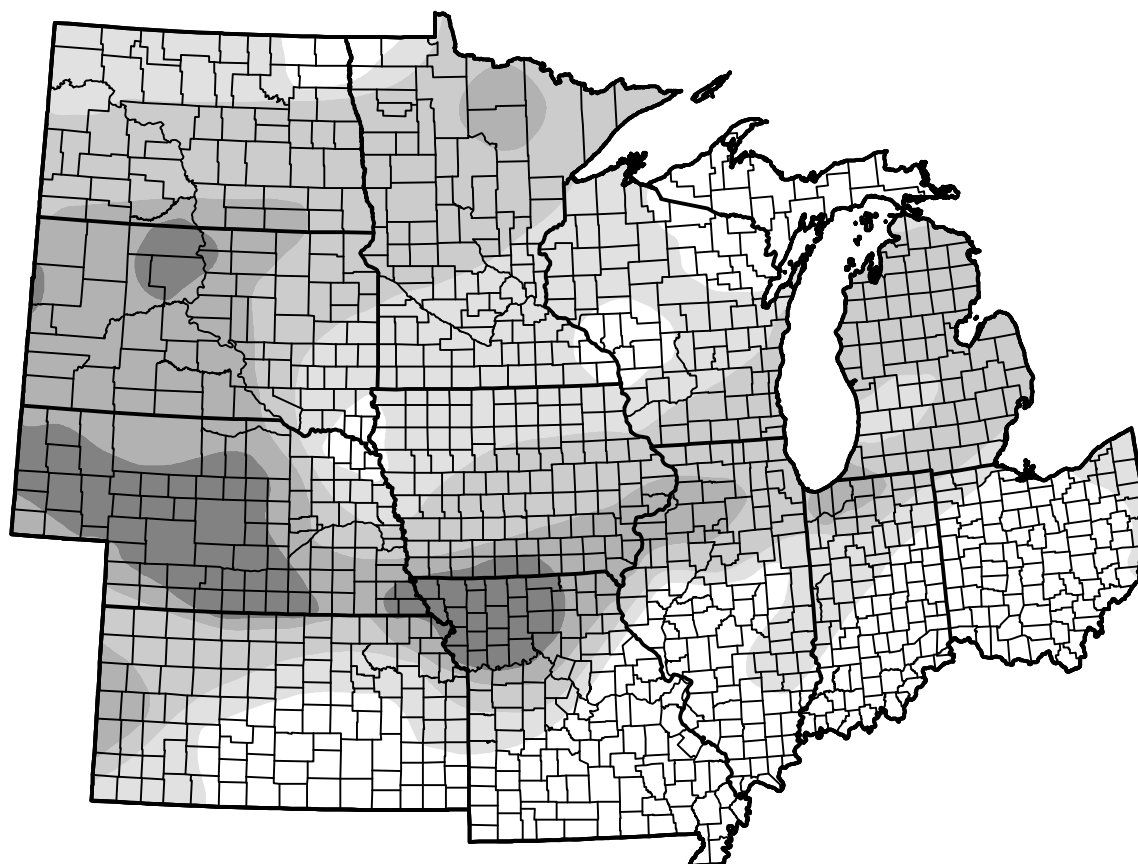
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 25.33 | 22.54 | 28.52 | 15.72 | 7.89  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-01-2003</i>              | 21.58 | 22.47 | 27.30 | 19.93 | 7.96  | 0.76 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-07-2003</i>           | 24.49 | 30.70 | 20.26 | 11.02 | 13.05 | 0.48 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 35.62 | 24.00 | 18.70 | 11.38 | 9.80  | 0.49 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 44.74 | 21.91 | 14.54 | 8.95  | 8.35  | 1.50 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-09-2002</i>           | 49.18 | 34.39 | 13.94 | 2.49  | 0.00  | 0.00 |



### Intensity:

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