

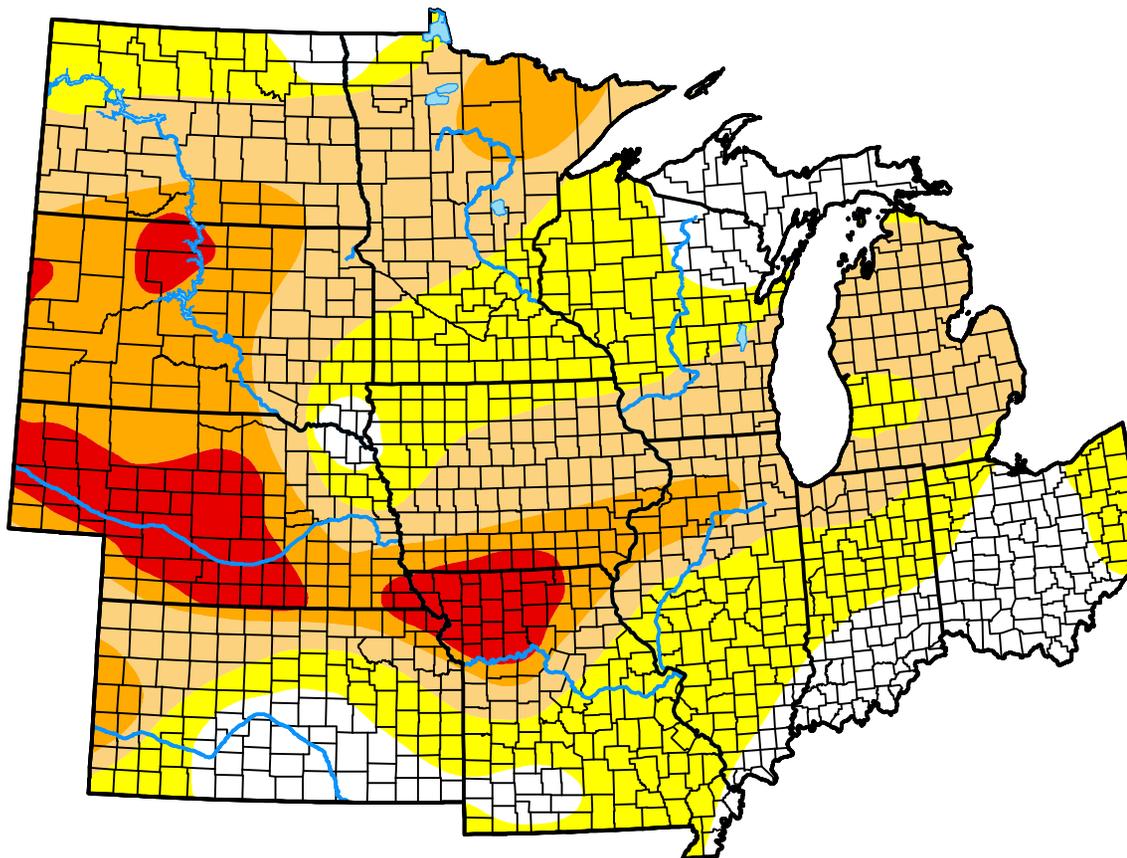
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

**April 15, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	15.42	84.58	54.72	24.72	7.73	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-08-2003</i>	25.33	74.67	52.13	23.62	7.89	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-14-2003</i>	23.35	76.65	50.21	25.42	13.90	0.46
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	35.62	64.38	40.38	21.68	10.29	0.49
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	44.74	55.26	33.34	18.80	9.86	1.50
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-16-2002</i>	47.81	52.19	21.25	2.81	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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