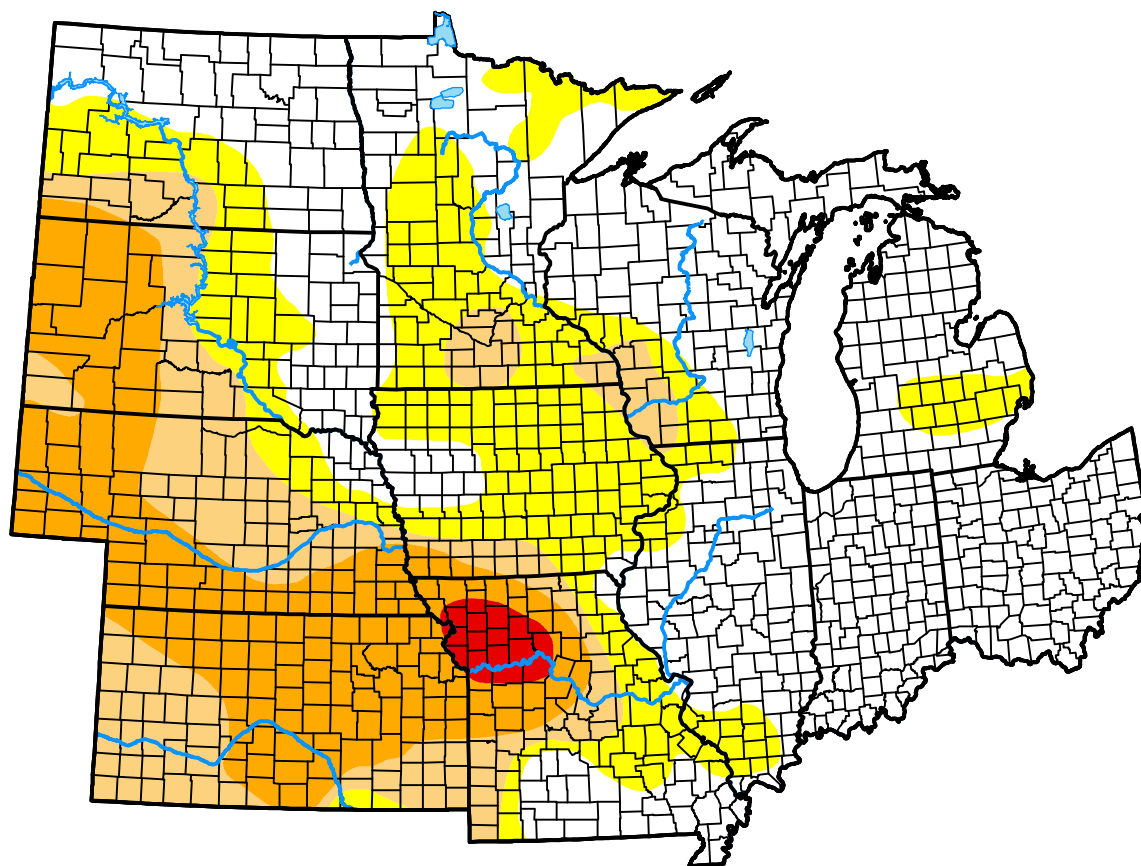


U.S. Drought Monitor

North Central States

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	45.97	21.32	14.21	17.37	1.13	0.00
Last Week <i>08-05-2003</i>	53.84	16.39	15.71	14.06	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-13-2003</i>	60.48	16.10	16.76	6.40	0.25	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	35.62	24.00	18.70	11.38	9.80	0.49
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	44.74	21.91	14.54	8.95	8.35	1.50
One Year Ago <i>08-13-2002</i>	47.09	19.45	11.90	6.92	6.77	7.88

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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