

# U.S. Drought Monitor

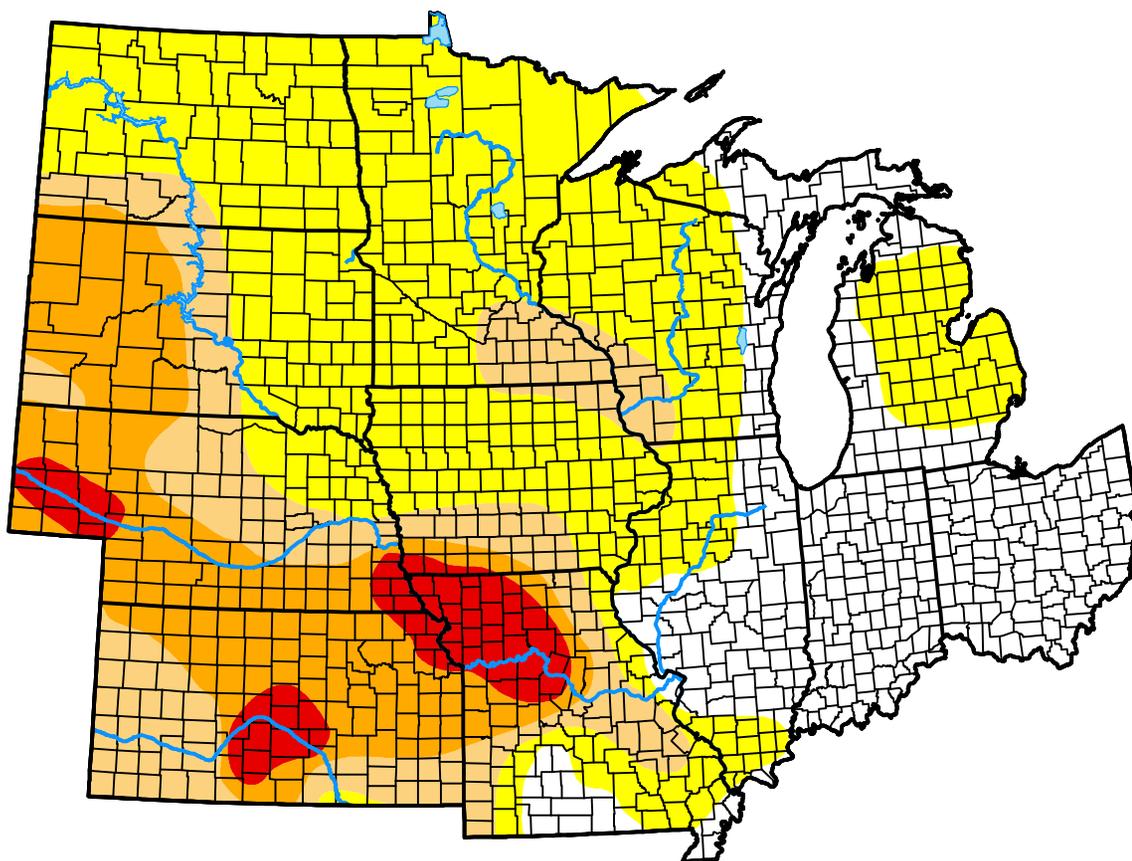
## North Central States

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	21.45	78.55	35.87	20.36	4.76	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-12-2003</i>	45.97	54.03	32.71	18.51	1.13	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-20-2003</i>	63.89	36.11	21.34	6.49	0.24	0.00
<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>08-20-2002</i>	57.19	42.81	28.86	18.06	13.40	7.83



**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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