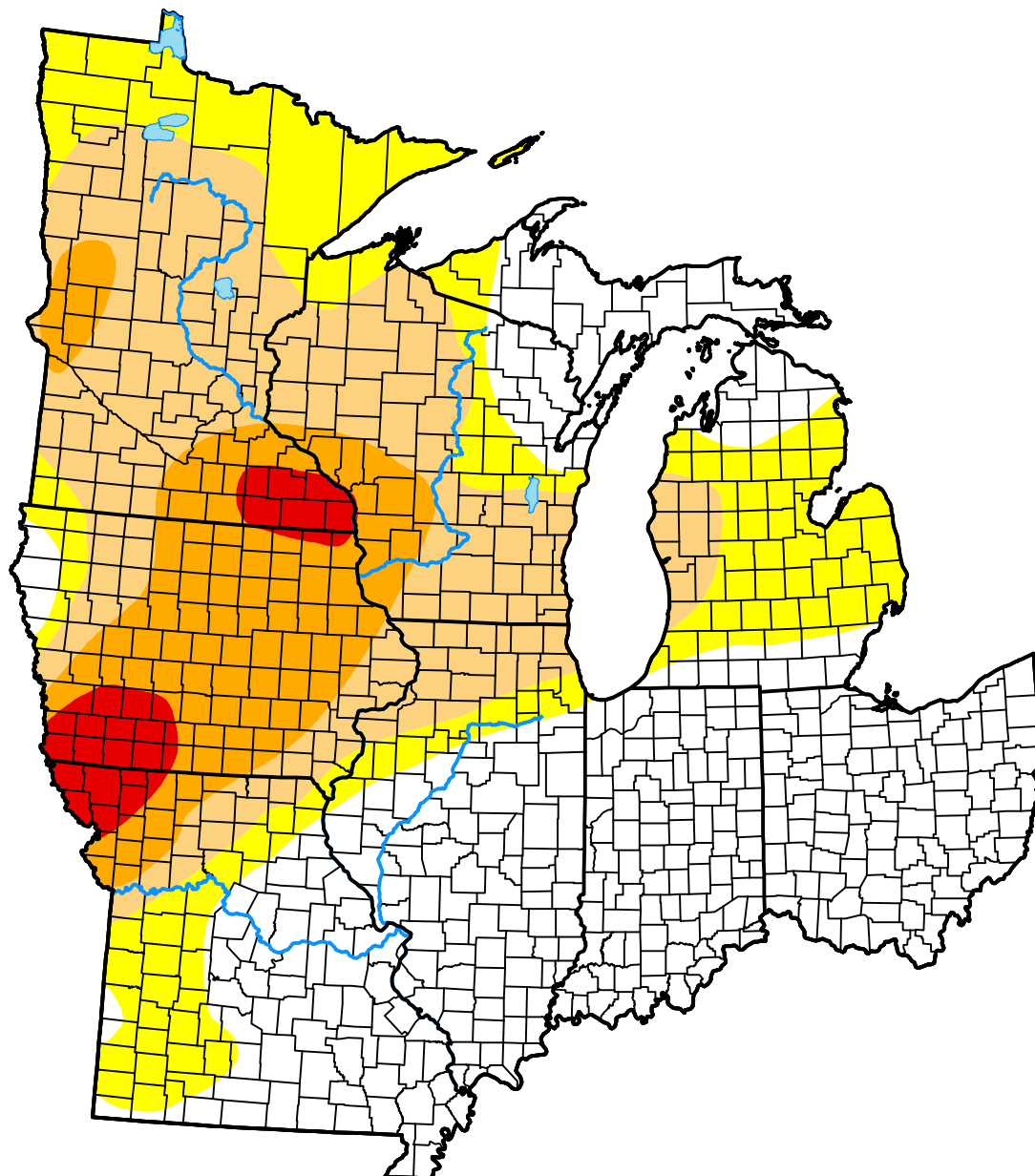


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.10	19.07	23.67	12.07	3.09	0.00
Last Week <i>09-30-2003</i>	39.11	17.56	27.38	13.21	2.75	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-08-2003</i>	79.17	20.08	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	46.82	26.90	20.29	4.67	1.32	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	39.11	17.56	27.38	13.21	2.75	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-08-2002</i>	60.83	25.70	11.99	1.49	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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