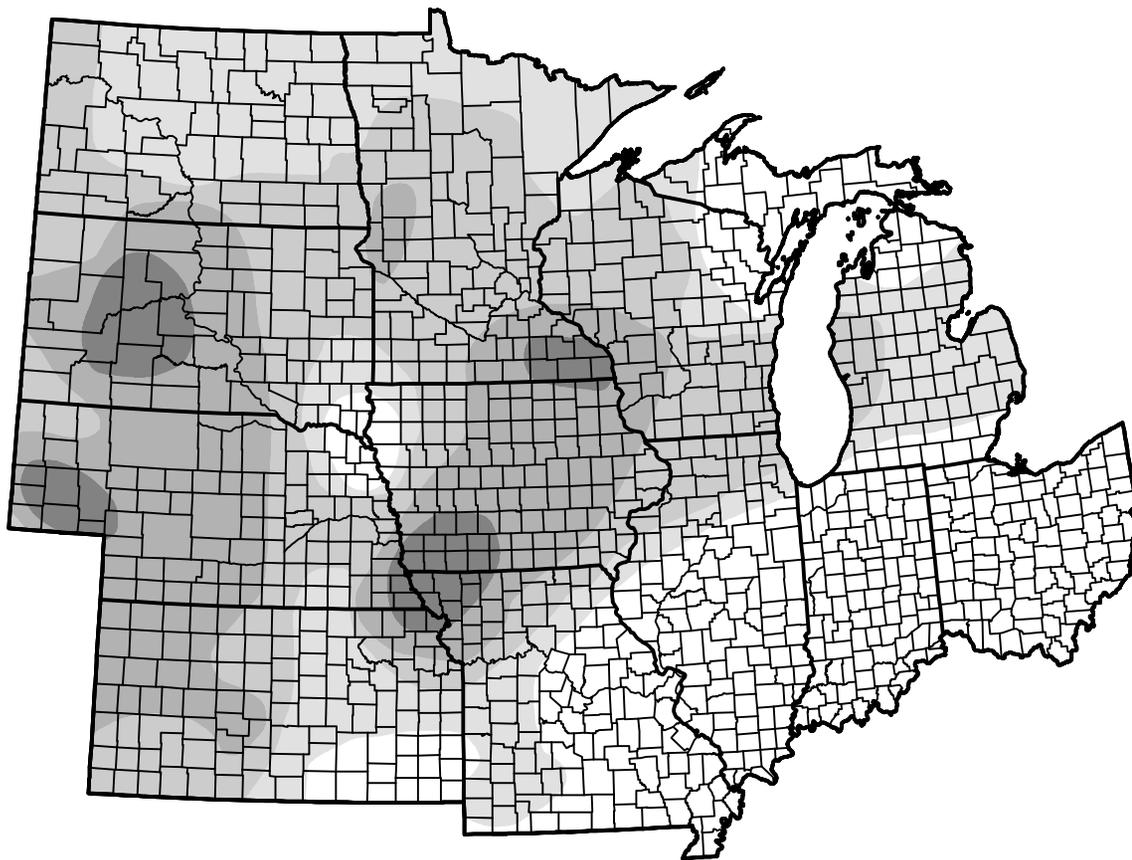


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	27.33	20.90	26.78	20.24	4.75	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	24.71	21.08	28.60	21.35	4.25	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-08-2003</i>	69.77	24.07	4.60	1.56	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	35.62	24.00	18.70	11.38	9.80	0.49
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	24.71	21.08	28.60	21.35	4.25	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-08-2002</i>	46.87	22.23	15.52	7.98	6.81	0.59

*Intensity:*



*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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