

# U.S. Drought Monitor

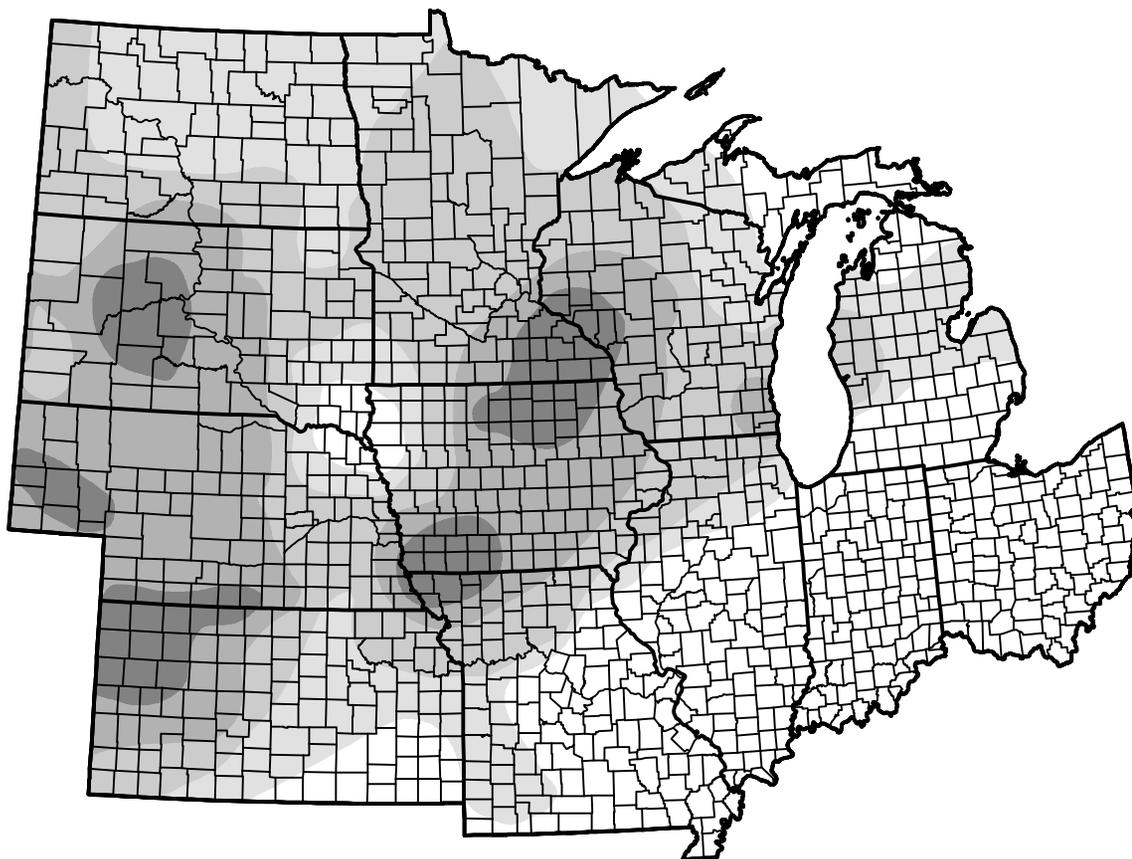
## North Central States

**October 28, 2003**  
*(Released Thursday, Oct. 30, 2003)*

Valid 7 a.m. EST

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 27.98 | 72.02 | 51.50 | 26.71 | 7.71  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-21-2003</i>              | 28.55 | 71.45 | 49.29 | 25.57 | 6.37  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-29-2003</i>           | 56.81 | 43.19 | 28.62 | 12.68 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 35.62 | 64.38 | 40.38 | 21.68 | 10.29 | 0.49 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2003</i>    | 24.71 | 75.29 | 54.21 | 25.60 | 4.25  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-29-2002</i>           | 53.87 | 46.13 | 33.20 | 17.16 | 8.09  | 0.52 |



### 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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