

# U.S. Drought Monitor

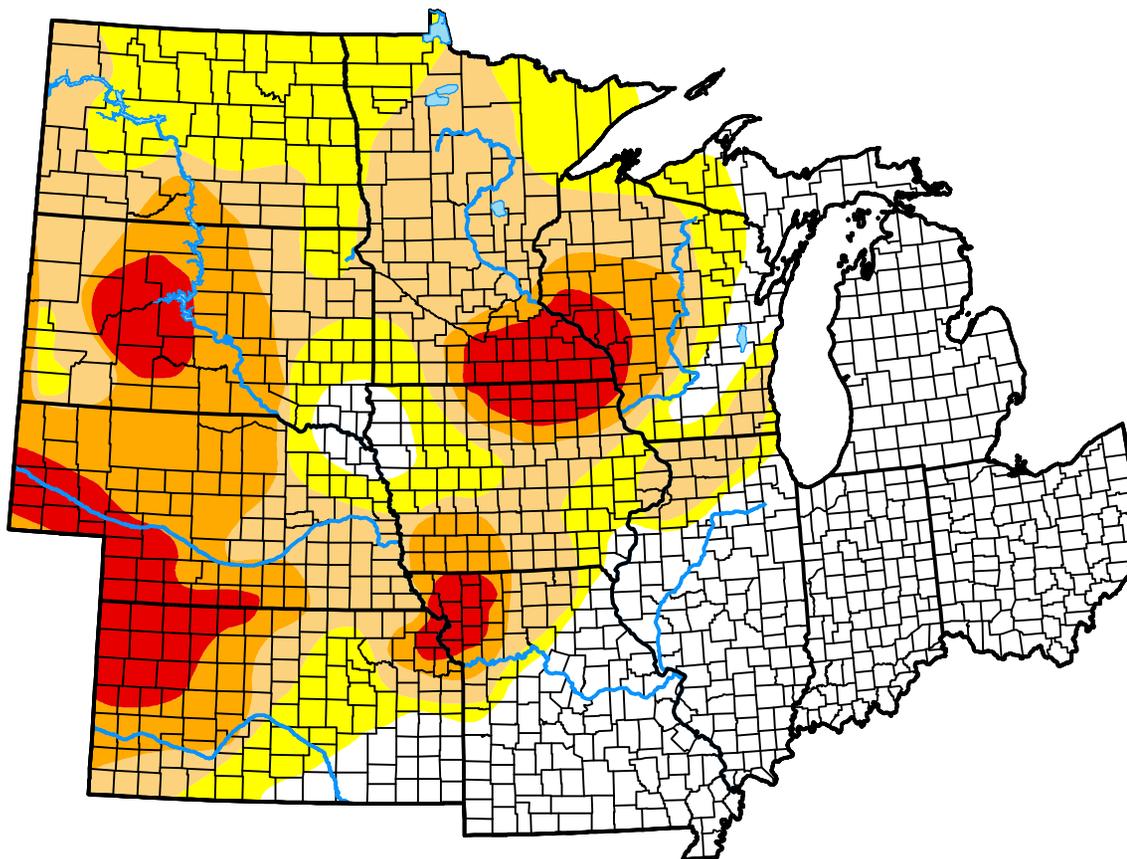
## North Central States

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	34.64	65.36	46.48	23.23	8.61	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-02-2003</i>	34.55	65.45	47.02	23.90	8.43	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-09-2003</i>	18.89	81.11	61.19	37.91	8.55	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>09-30-2003</i>	24.71	75.29	54.21	25.60	4.25	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-10-2002</i>	39.23	60.77	37.89	19.94	9.18	0.48



**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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