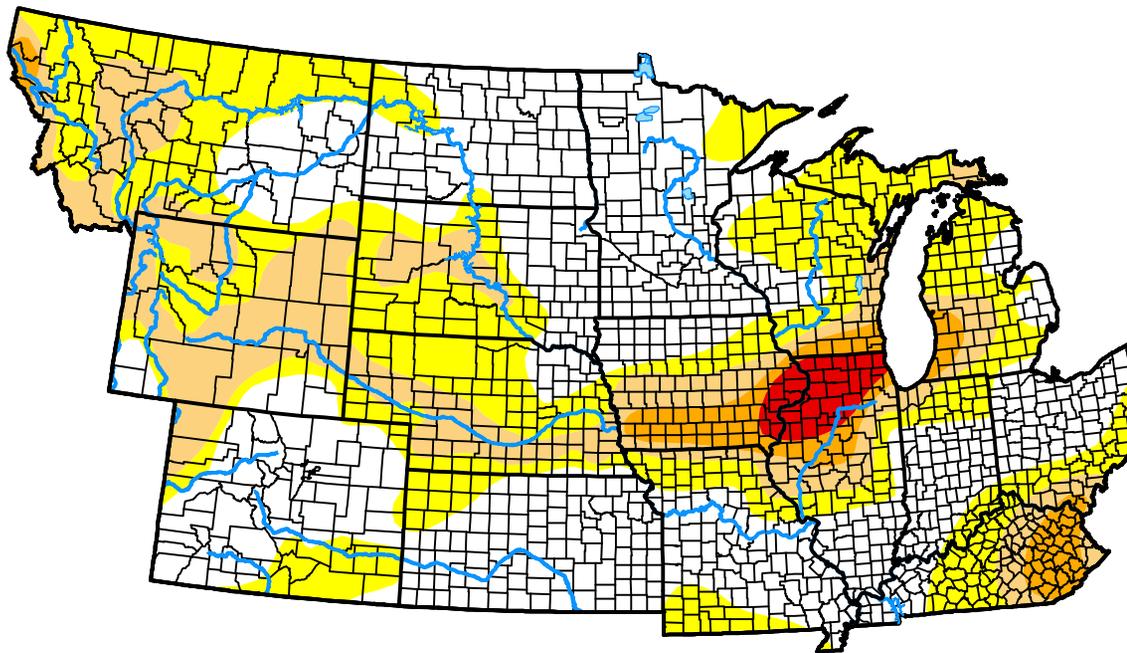


# U.S. Drought Monitor NWS Central

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 45.57 | 31.70 | 17.34 | 3.80  | 1.59 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-11-2005</i>              | 45.22 | 31.19 | 17.89 | 4.31  | 1.40 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-19-2005</i>           | 35.34 | 27.46 | 20.86 | 14.20 | 2.14 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 53.66 | 16.43 | 11.71 | 11.31 | 5.27 | 1.62 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 44.17 | 26.18 | 19.70 | 8.98  | 0.96 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-19-2004</i>           | 46.97 | 20.16 | 15.12 | 10.51 | 5.66 | 1.58 |



### 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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