

# U.S. Drought Monitor

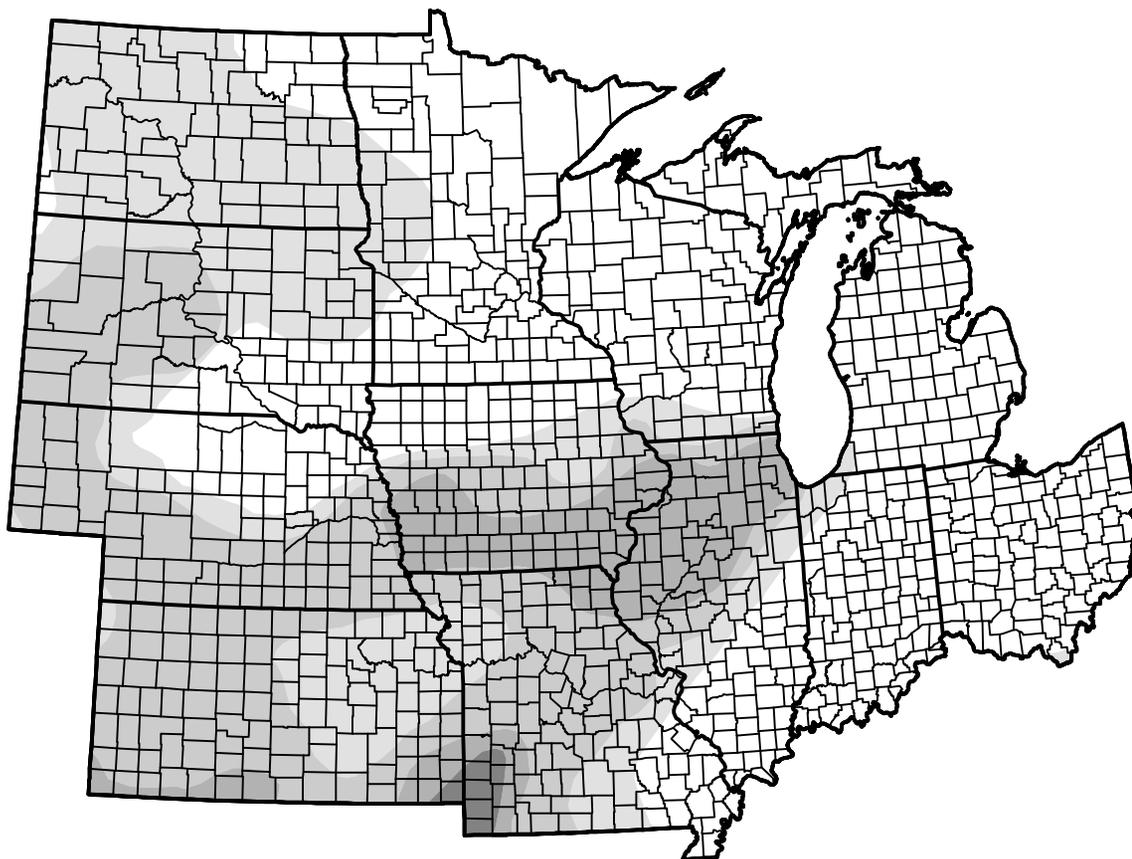
## North Central States

**March 21, 2006**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	45.97	22.49	23.44	7.53	0.56	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-14-2006</i>	54.87	11.83	23.59	9.13	0.58	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-20-2005</i>	56.77	23.91	13.38	3.70	2.24	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.32	22.61	13.36	3.75	1.96	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	54.28	22.07	15.66	6.54	1.45	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-22-2005</i>	71.02	13.46	7.00	7.28	1.16	0.07



### 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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