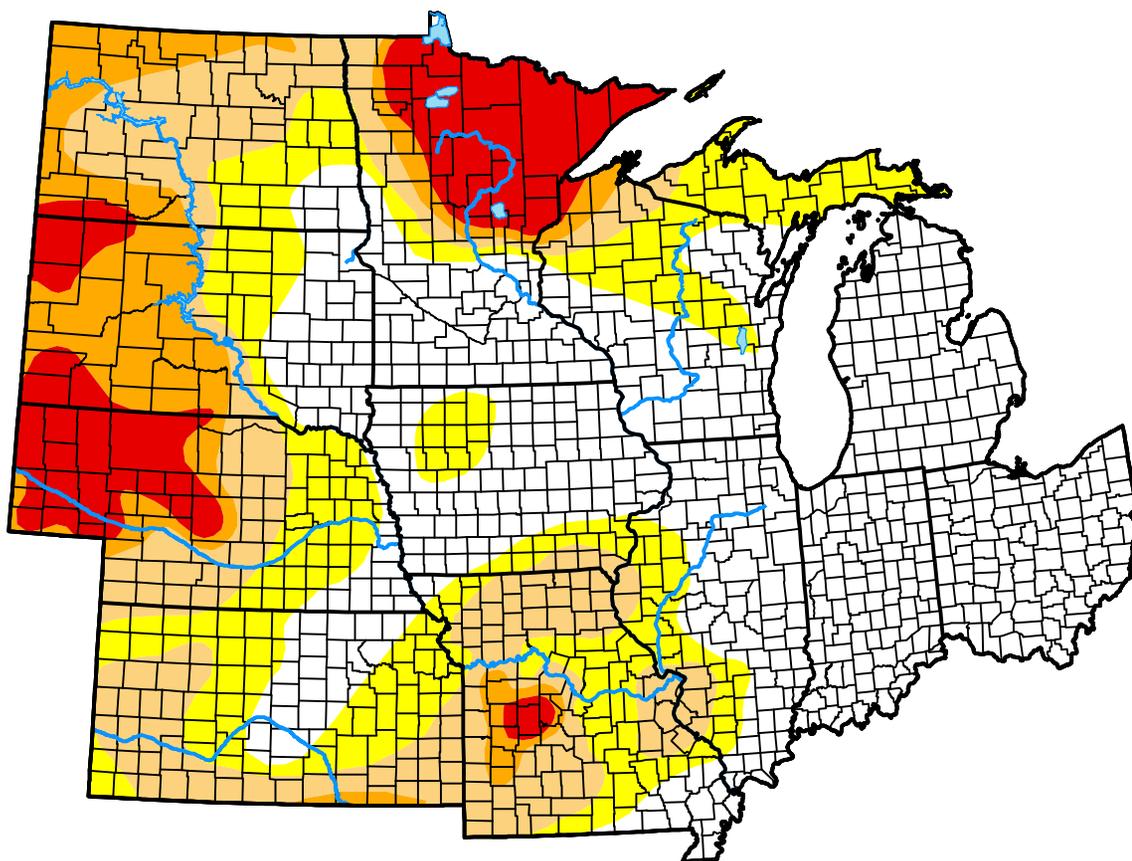


U.S. Drought Monitor

North Central States

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 42.50 | 57.50 | 37.11 | 19.15 | 9.88 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>09-19-2006</i> | 38.60 | 61.40 | 42.50 | 19.64 | 13.46 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>06-27-2006</i> | 40.45 | 59.55 | 26.87 | 9.93 | 3.37 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i> | 58.32 | 41.68 | 19.07 | 5.71 | 1.96 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i> | 54.28 | 45.72 | 23.65 | 7.99 | 1.45 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>09-27-2005</i> | 54.28 | 45.72 | 23.65 | 7.99 | 1.45 | 0.00 |

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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