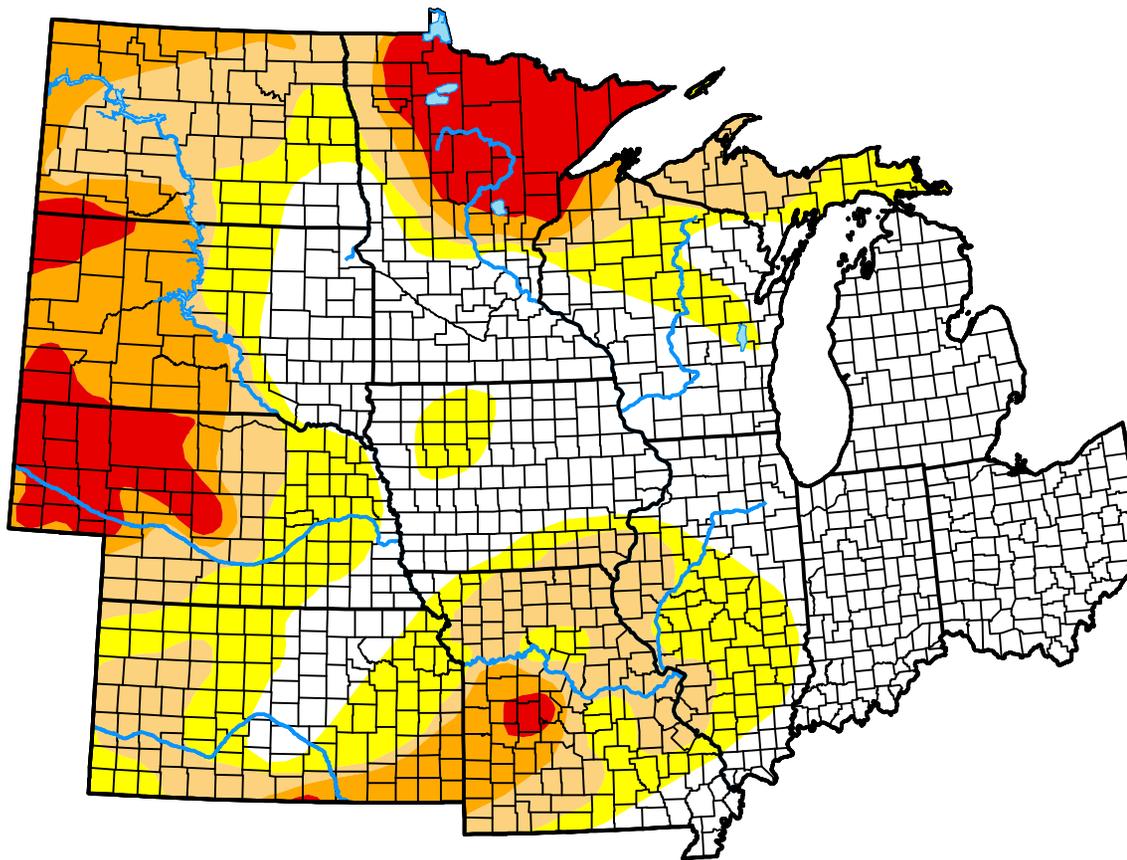


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	40.97	59.03	39.10	20.66	9.28	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-10-2006</i>	40.97	59.03	39.10	20.66	9.56	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-18-2006</i>	24.16	75.84	55.56	24.55	4.99	1.42
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.32	41.68	19.07	5.71	1.96	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	57.50	37.11	19.15	9.88	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-18-2005</i>	51.94	48.06	18.00	6.40	2.41	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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