

U.S. Drought Monitor North Central States

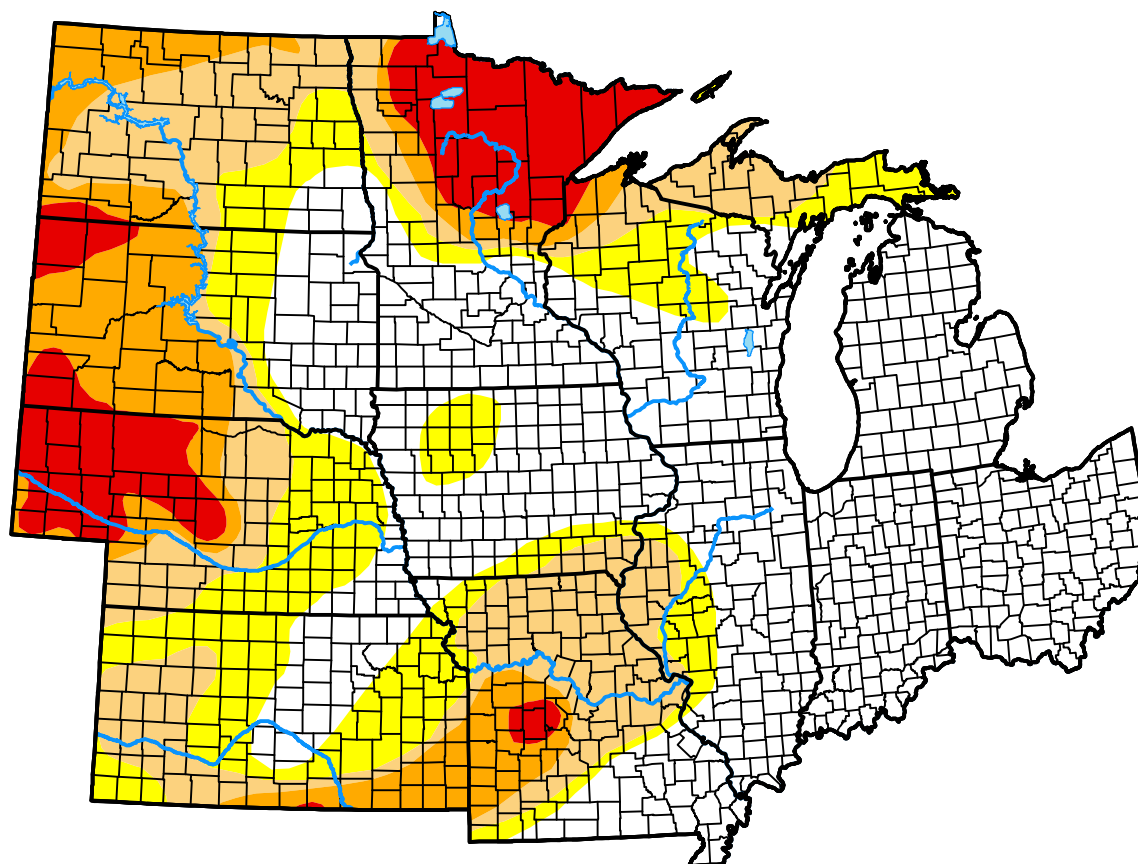
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	45.09	54.91	38.47	20.72	9.28	0.00
Last Week 10-17-2006	40.97	59.03	39.10	20.66	9.28	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-25-2006	25.56	74.44	57.20	29.71	10.82	1.94
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2006	58.32	41.68	19.07	5.71	1.96	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2006	42.50	57.50	37.11	19.15	9.88	0.00
One Year Ago 10-25-2005	52.08	47.92	18.27	6.49	2.41	0.00



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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