

# U.S. Drought Monitor

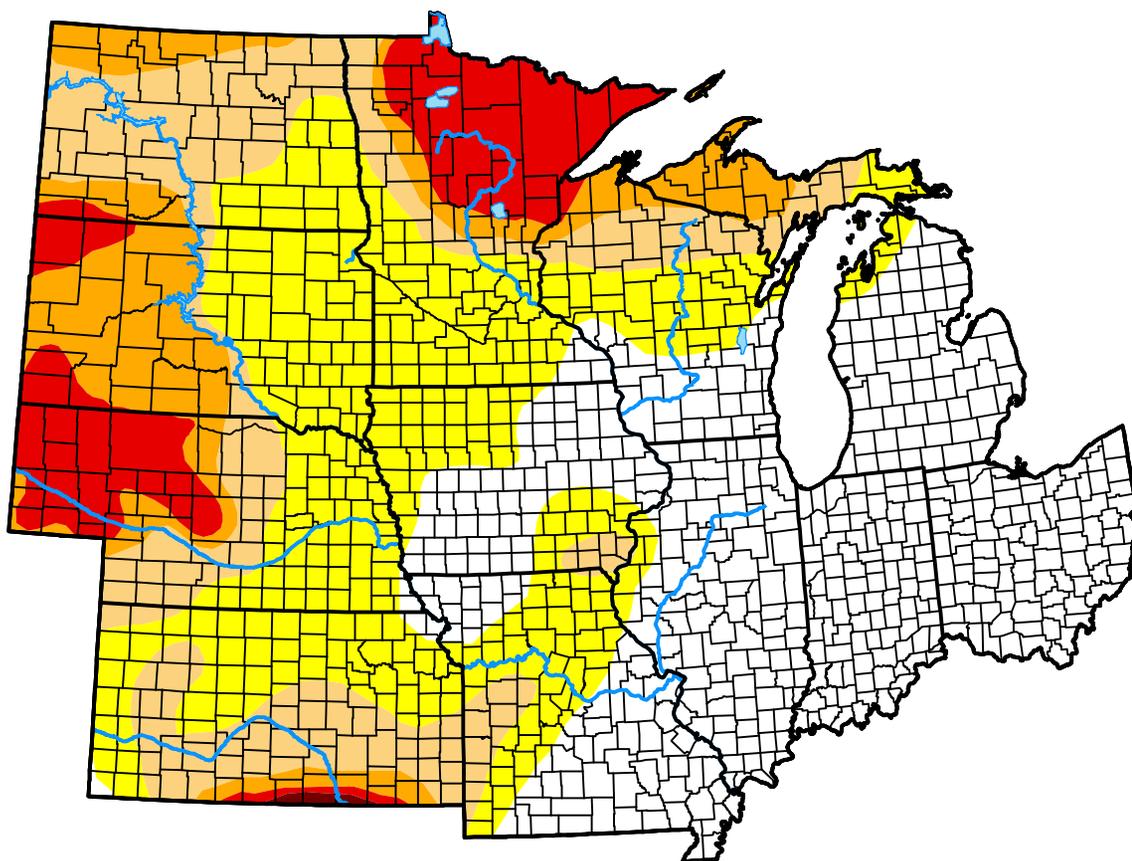
## North Central States

**December 19, 2006**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	34.33	29.24	16.66	10.36	9.24	0.16
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-12-2006</i>	35.59	29.27	16.85	8.93	9.20	0.16
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-19-2006</i>	38.60	18.90	22.85	6.18	13.46	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>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	20.39	17.96	9.27	9.88	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-20-2005</i>	56.77	23.91	13.38	3.70	2.24	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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