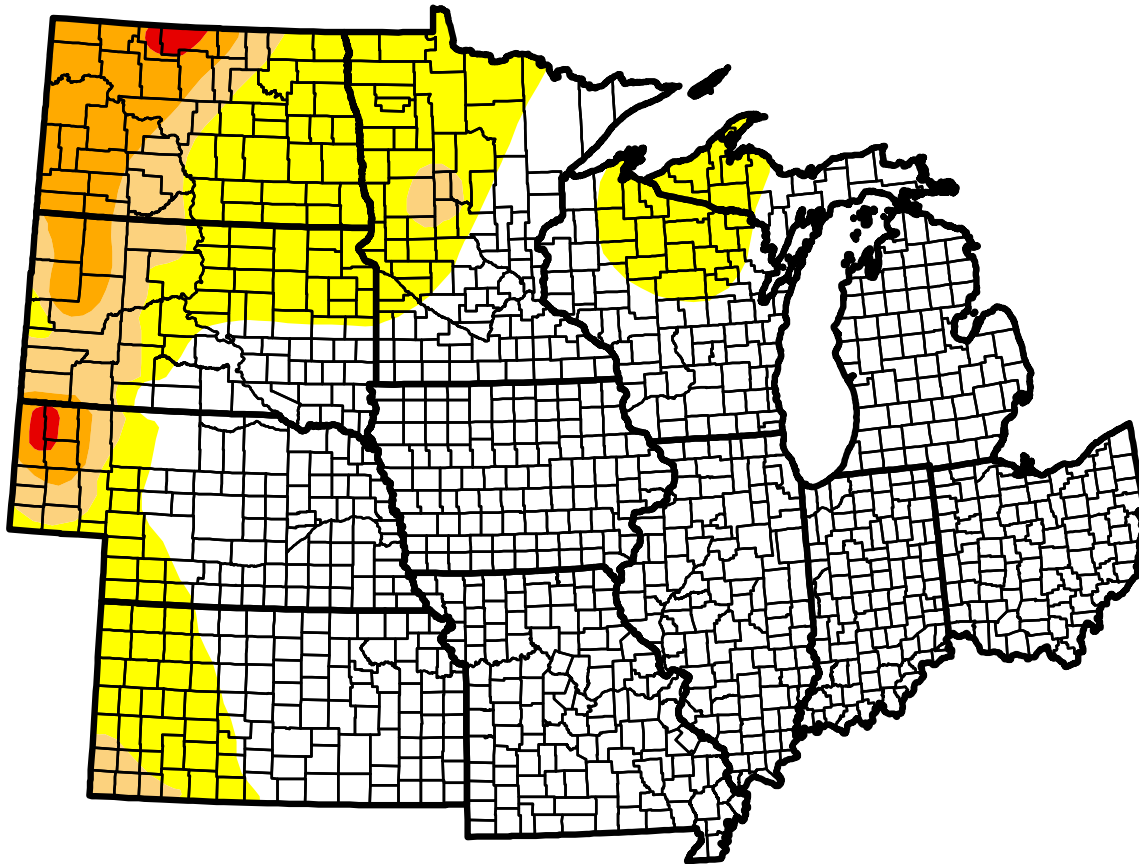


U.S. Drought Monitor North Central

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	68.06	20.98	5.64	4.94	0.39	0.00
Last Week <i>2/19/2008</i>	68.06	20.98	5.64	4.94	0.39	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11/27/2007</i>	61.00	22.63	13.04	3.16	0.17	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>1/1/2008</i>	66.79	18.98	11.04	3.03	0.17	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>9/25/2007</i>	57.07	16.29	14.88	9.57	2.18	0.00
One Year Ago <i>2/27/2007</i>	73.87	8.30	6.52	4.72	6.60	0.00

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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