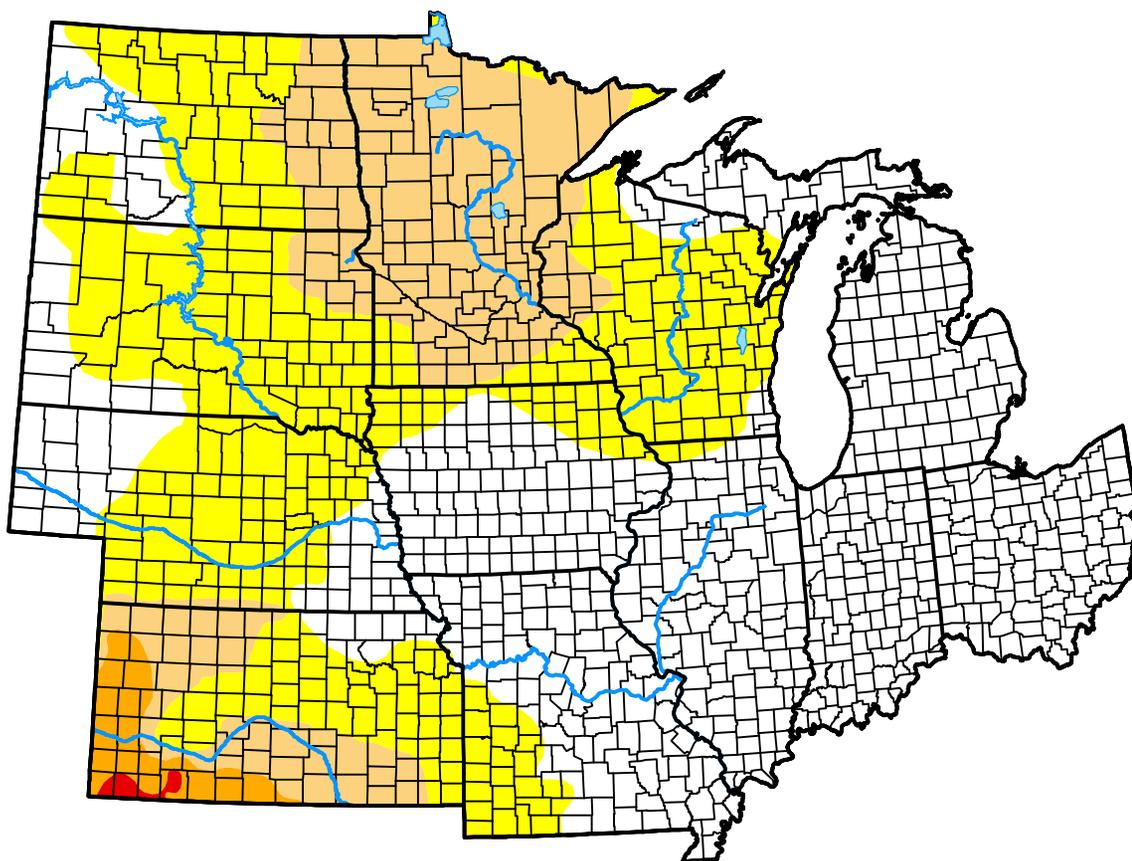


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	47.20	33.34	17.46	1.80	0.20	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-10-2015</i>	52.96	40.30	4.73	1.80	0.20	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-16-2014</i>	68.40	26.92	2.72	1.72	0.24	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2014</i>	67.29	28.02	2.72	1.72	0.24	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2014</i>	84.94	9.86	3.11	1.84	0.26	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-18-2014</i>	56.37	19.32	16.07	6.27	1.96	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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