

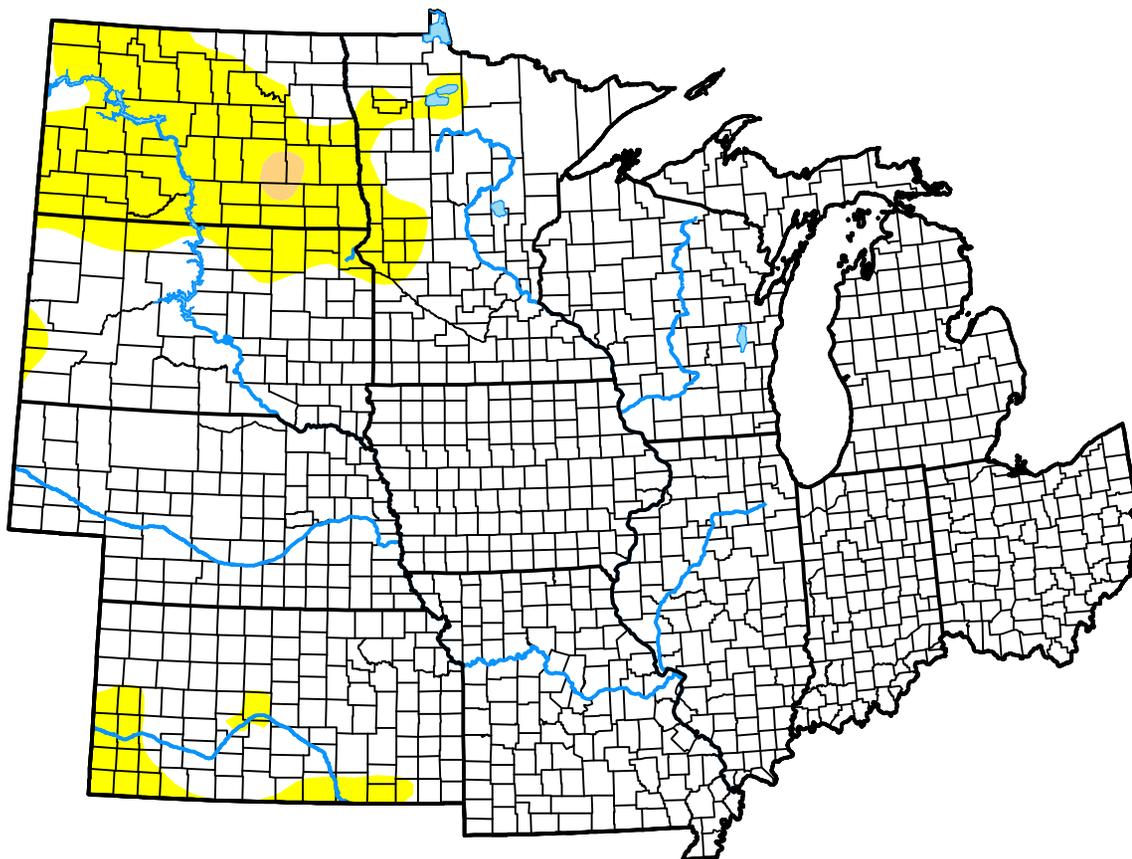
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

**March 8, 2016**  
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	87.31	12.69	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-01-2016</i>	91.03	8.97	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-08-2015</i>	80.52	19.48	2.87	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	87.36	12.64	2.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	82.38	17.62	0.68	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-10-2015</i>	52.96	47.04	6.74	2.01	0.20	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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