

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

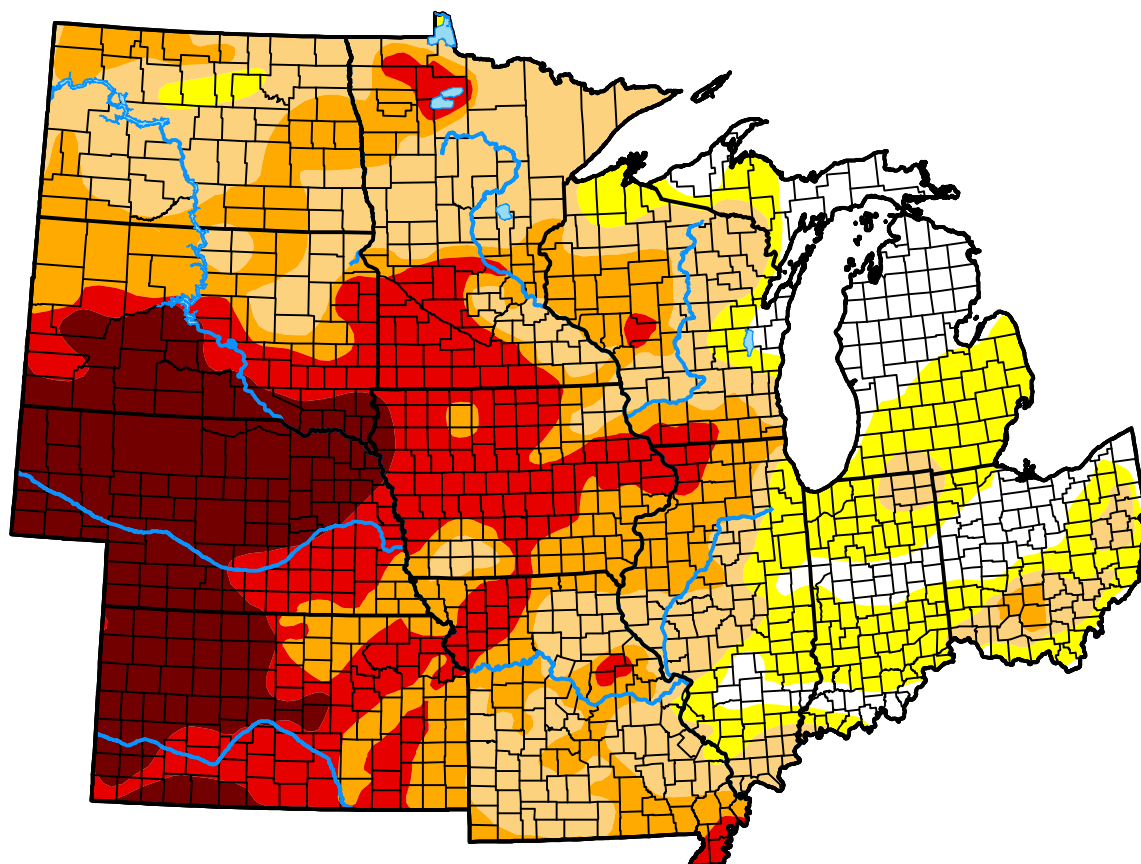
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	8.40	91.60	79.49	54.07	32.79	15.56
<b>Last Week</b> 10-16-2012	6.57	93.43	81.37	56.71	34.25	15.56
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 07-24-2012	9.01	90.99	77.48	62.44	34.09	3.42
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-03-2012	58.20	41.80	17.43	7.20	1.37	0.02
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-25-2012	3.58	96.42	82.21	57.26	34.44	13.74
<b>One Year Ago</b> 10-25-2011	60.40	39.60	21.03	11.00	3.66	1.63



### 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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