

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

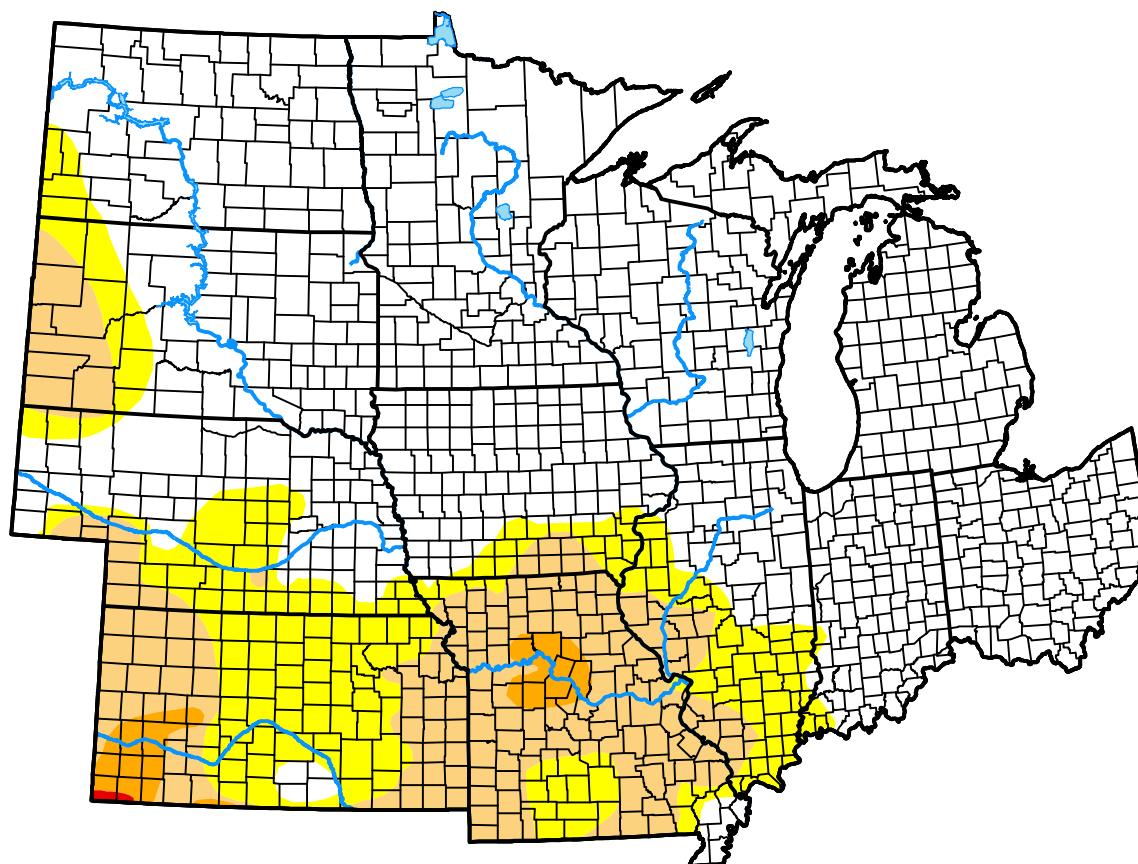
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 67.65 | 15.65 | 14.97 | 1.68 | 0.06 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>03-14-2017              | 71.26 | 13.26 | 13.76 | 1.66 | 0.06 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>12-20-2016           | 66.40 | 24.53 | 6.68  | 2.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2017 | 67.92 | 21.90 | 8.10  | 2.08 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2016    | 86.72 | 10.51 | 2.25  | 0.40 | 0.11 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>03-22-2016           | 81.78 | 16.45 | 1.77  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |



### 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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