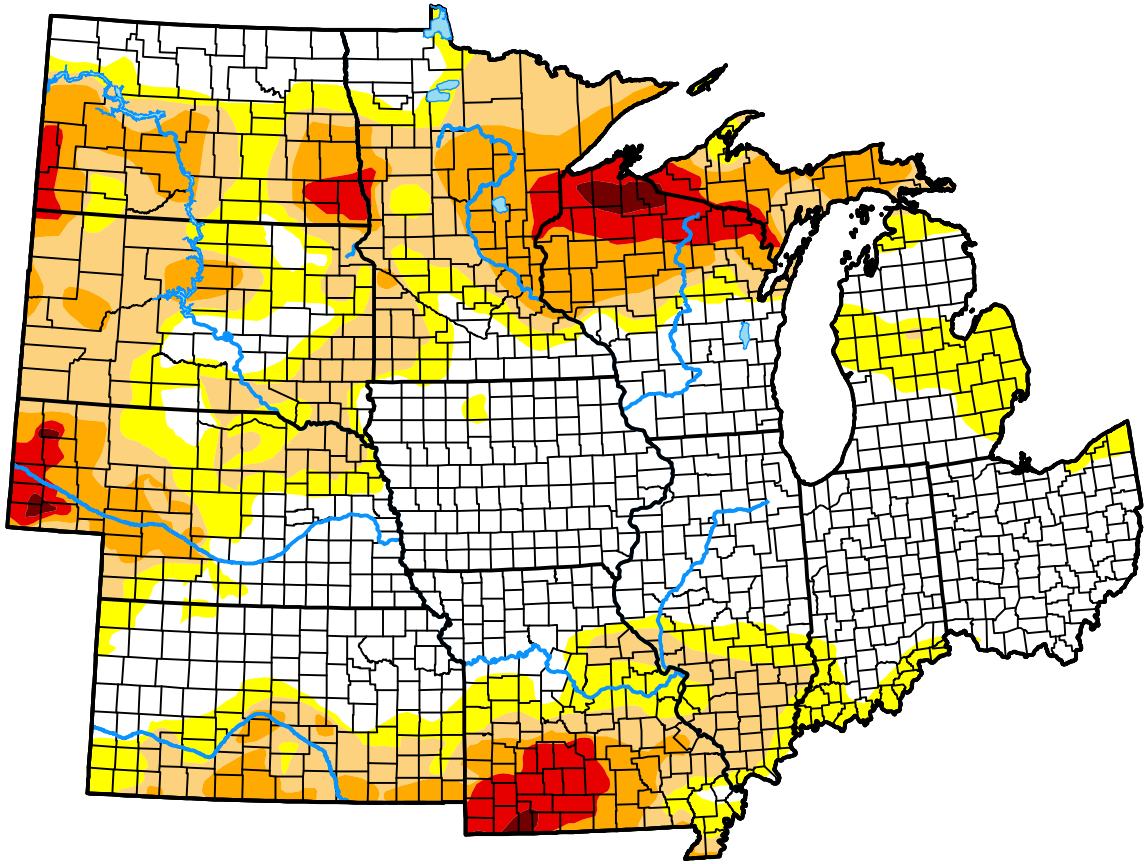
U.S. Drought Monitor

North Central States



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	44.85	55.15	37.56	17.54	4.94	0.53
Last Week *10-06-2026*	46.39	53.61	36.19	16.42	4.67	0.43
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	55.72	44.28	22.77	10.16	2.85	0.30
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	38.60	61.40	30.14	6.93	1.26	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	53.65	46.35	22.66	6.32	0.24	0.00
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	44.45	55.55	26.46	9.56	1.36	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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