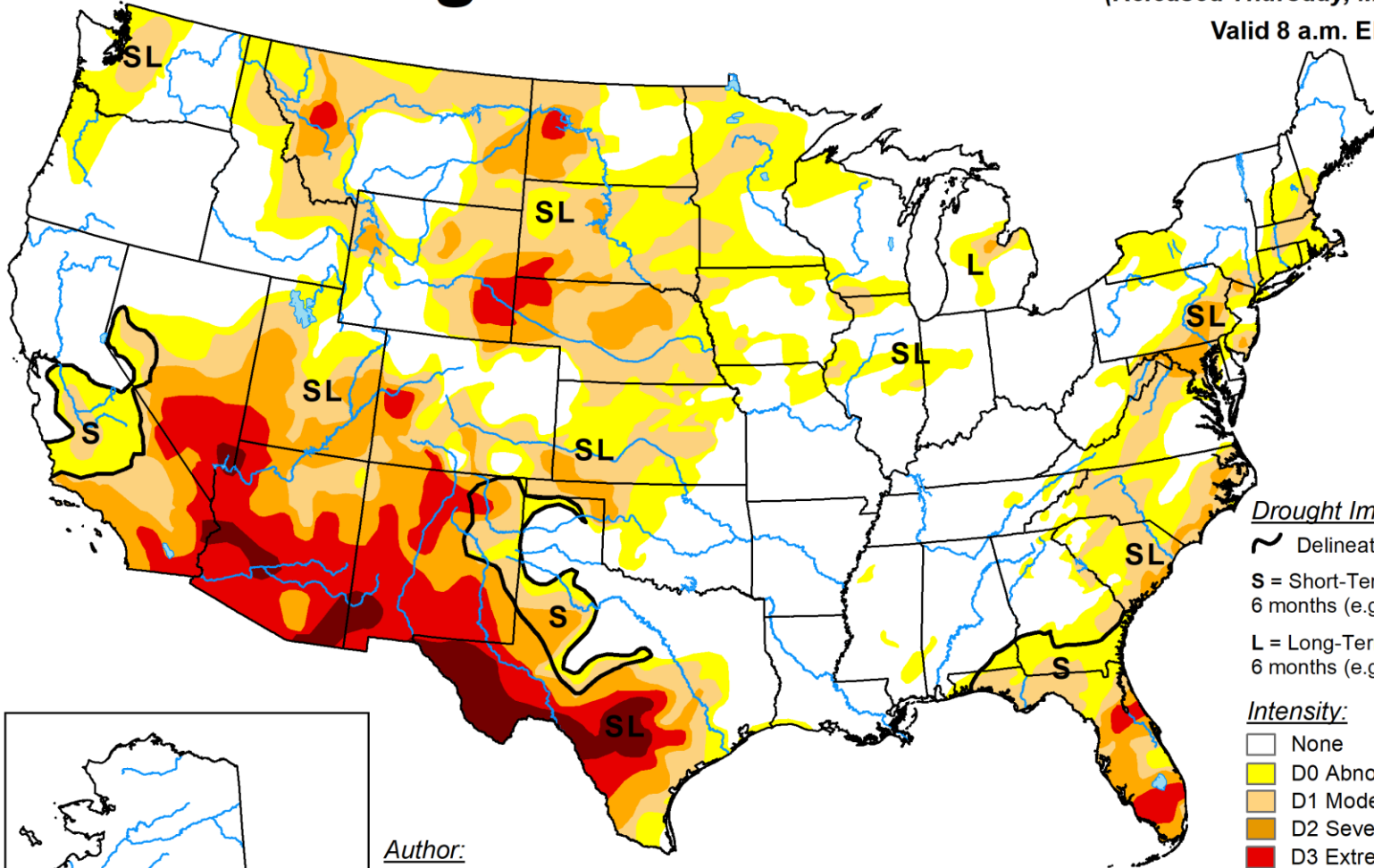


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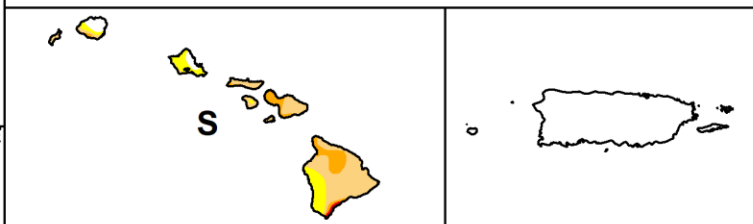
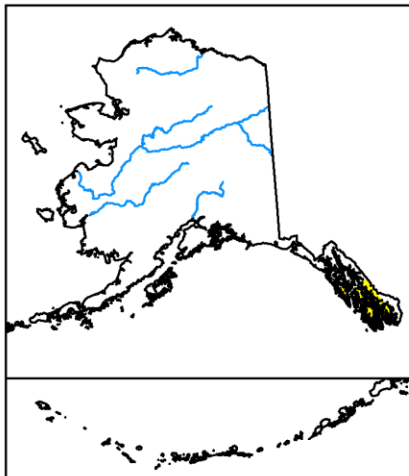
- ~ Delineates dominant impacts
- S** = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L** = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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Agriculture in Drought*

	Apr 29	Previous		Change		
	2025	Week	Year	Week	Year	
Corn	20%	26%	19%	-6%	1%	(summer crops)
Soybeans	15%	21%	16%	-6%	-1%	
Cotton	21%	21%	9%	0%	12%	
Peanuts	24%	12%	2%	12%	22%	
Rice	6%	7%	10%	-1%	-4%	
Sunflowers	45%	74%	11%	-29%	34%	
Barley	32%	27%	18%	5%	14%	
Sorghum	43%	72%	50%	-29%	-7%	
Durum Wheat	86%	85%	29%	1%	57%	
Spring Wheat	37%	49%	28%	-12%	9%	(winter crop)
Winter Wheat	23%	33%	22%	-10%	1%	
Hay	28%	33%	13%	-5%	15%	(forage)
Alfalfa Hay	37%	44%	17%	-7%	20%	
Cattle	31%	37%	17%	-6%	14%	(livestock)
Milk Cows	20%	21%	9%	-1%	11%	
Hogs	22%	23%	21%	-1%	1%	
Sheep	31%	35%	13%	-4%	18%	
Sugarbeets	28%	44%	25%	-16%	3%	(sugar)
Sugarcane	49%	49%	30%	0%	19%	

* Numbers represent the percent of each commodity located in moderate or more intense drought (D1+) and the changes since last week and last year.

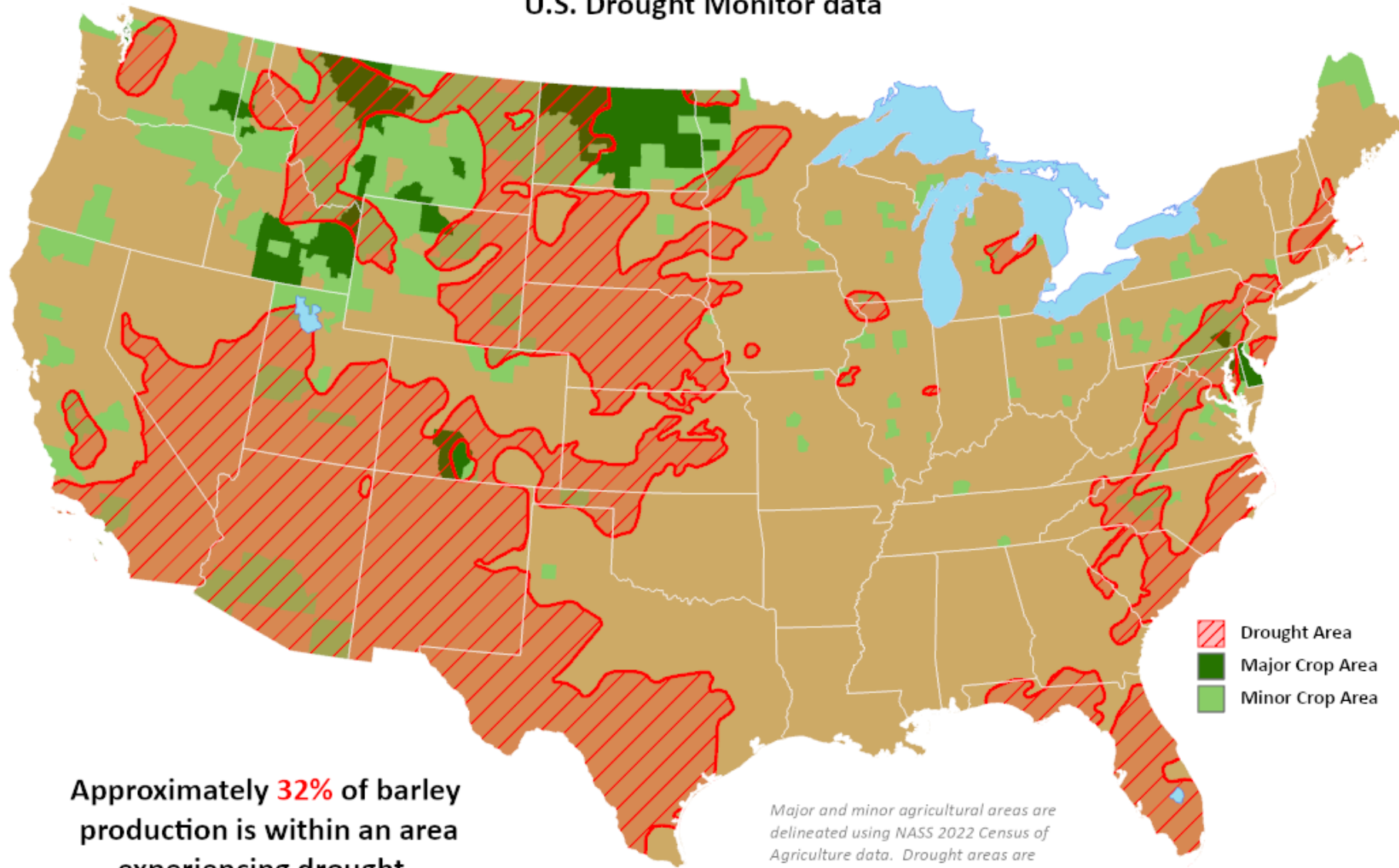


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Barley Areas in Drought

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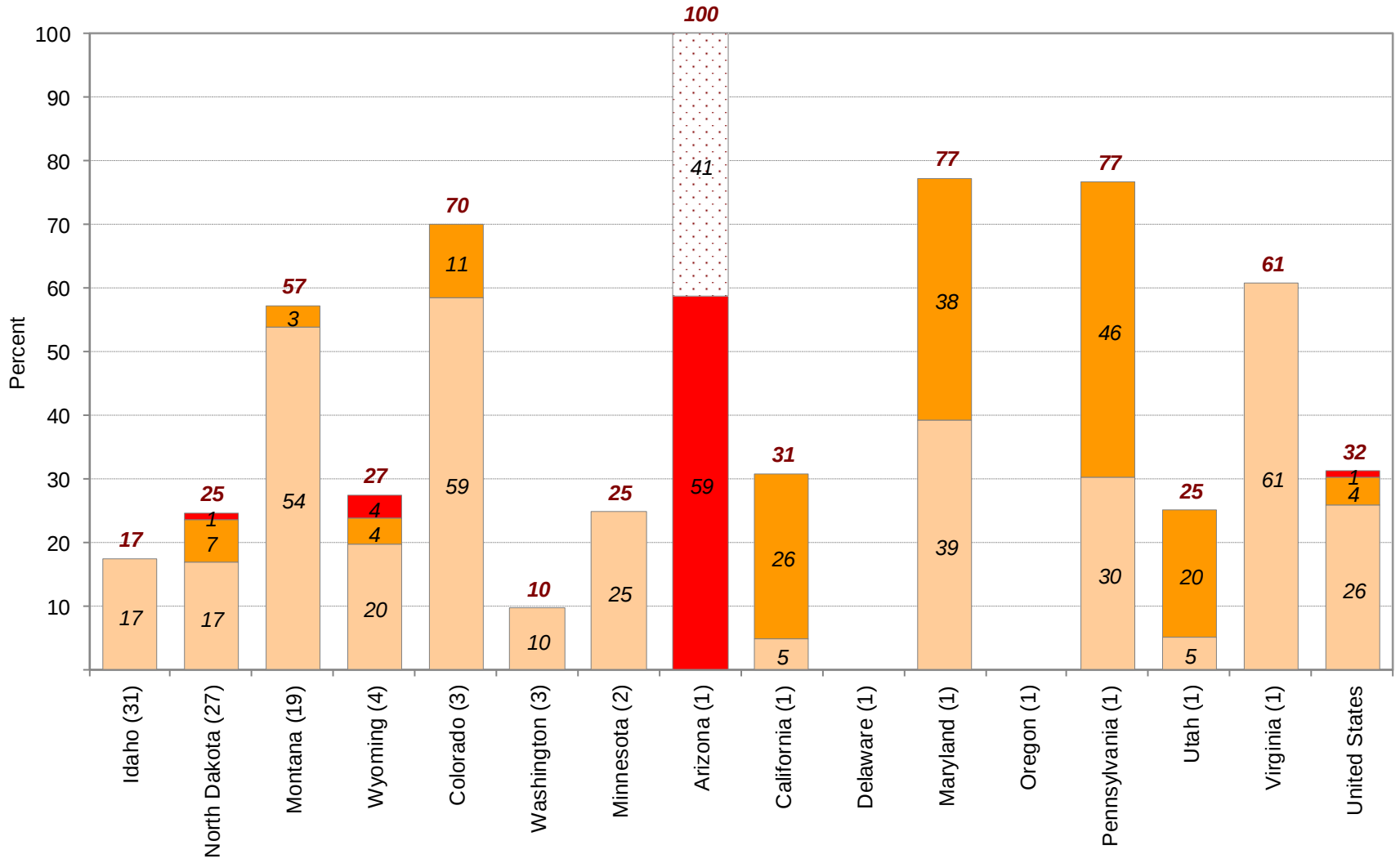
-  Drought Area
-  Major Crop Area
-  Minor Crop Area

Approximately **32%** of barley
production is within an area
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Percent of Barley Located in Drought

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Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

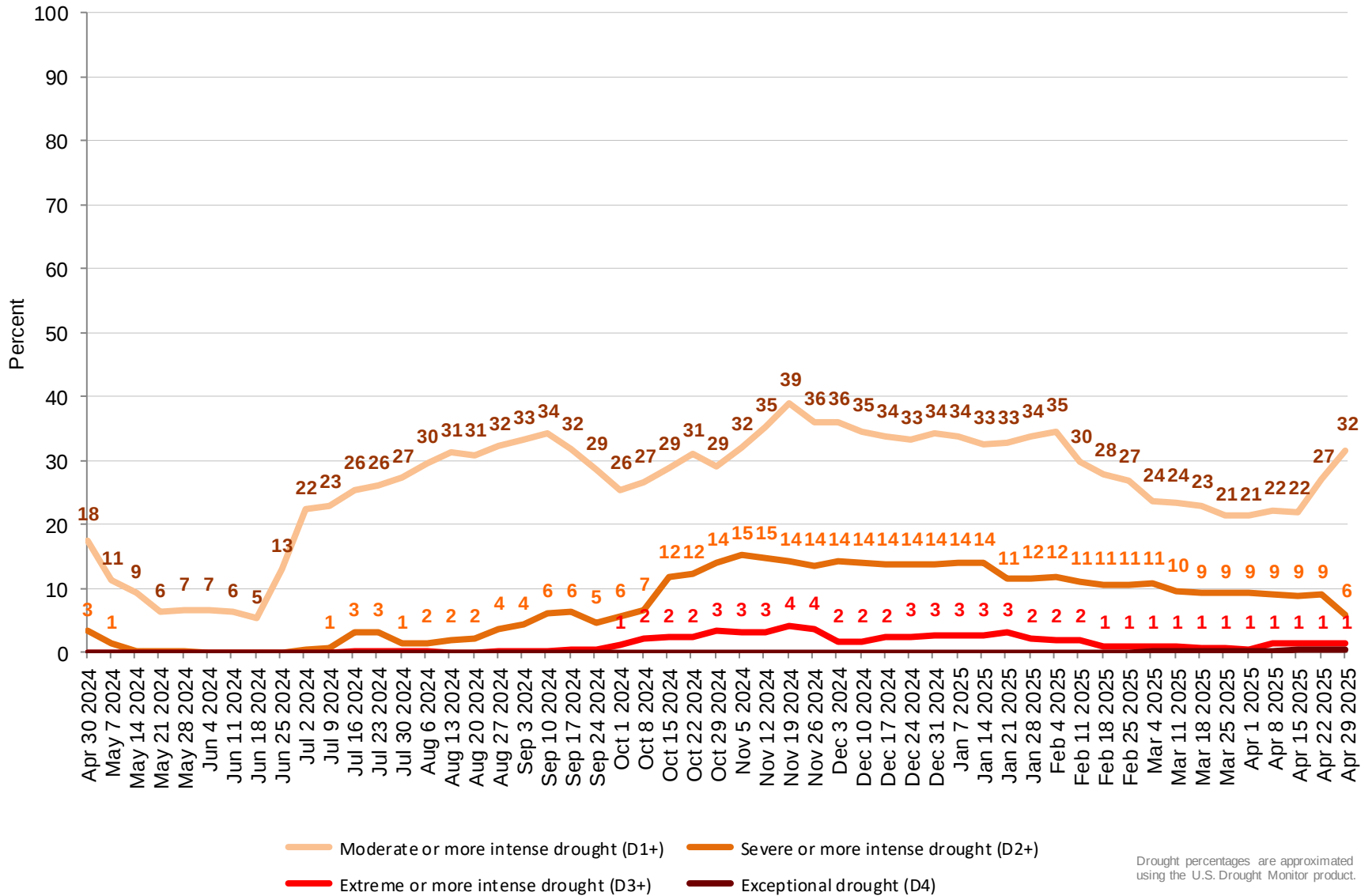
Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

Percent in Extreme Drought (D3)

Percent in Exceptional Drought (D4)

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Percent of United States Barley Located in Drought



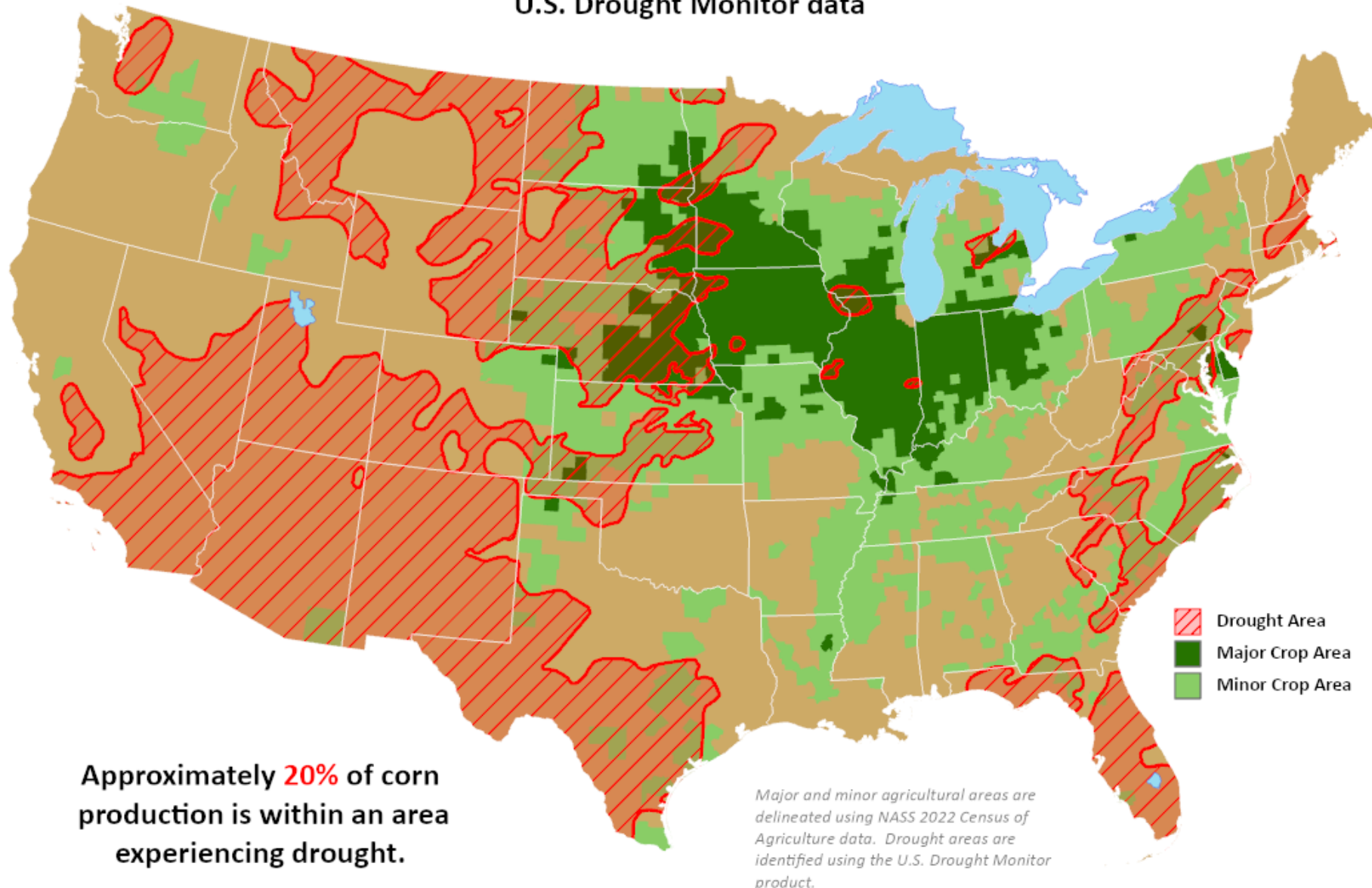


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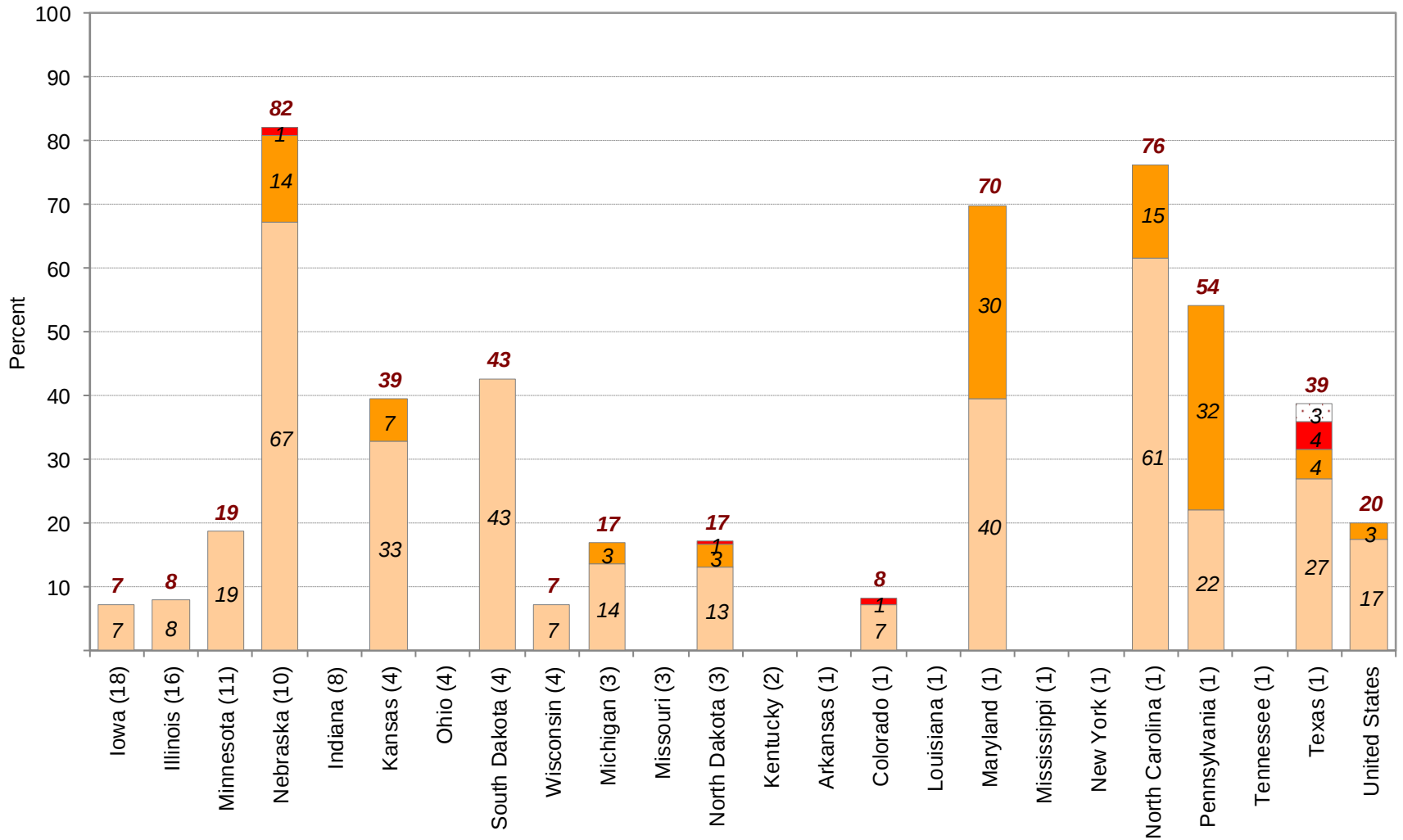
Corn Areas in Drought

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Percent of Corn Located in Drought

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Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

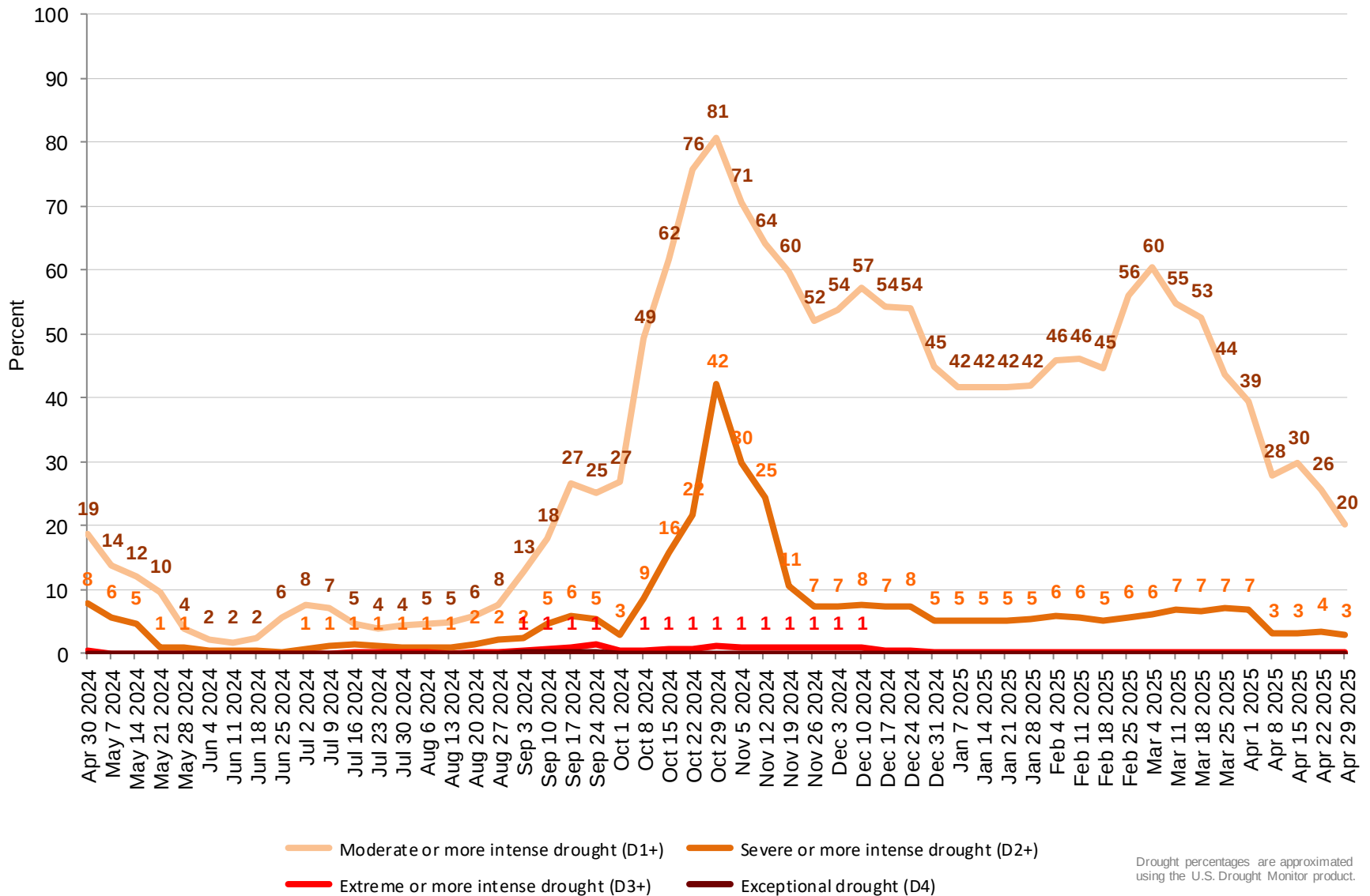
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Percent in Exceptional Drought (D4)

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Percent of United States Corn Located in Drought



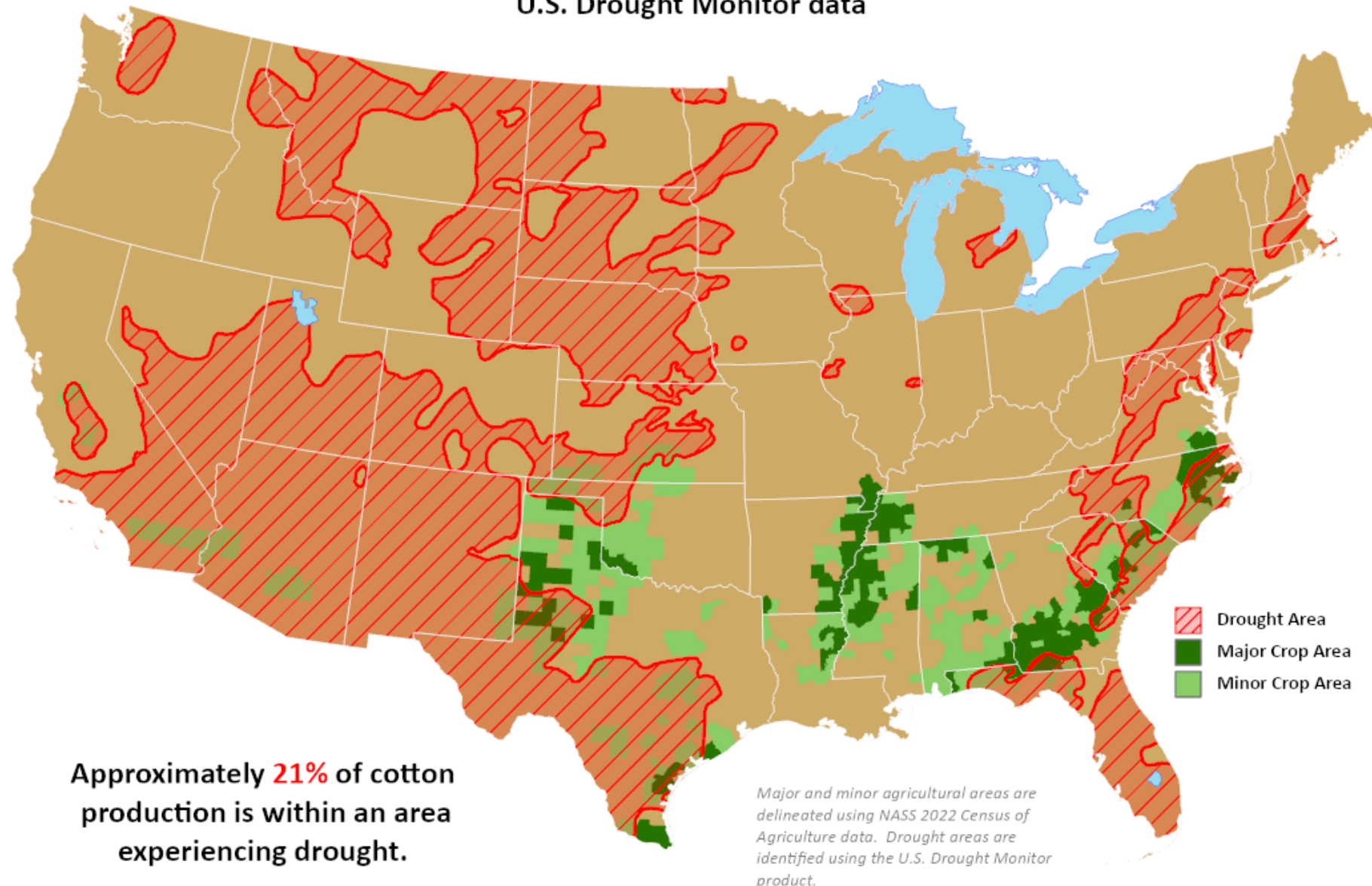


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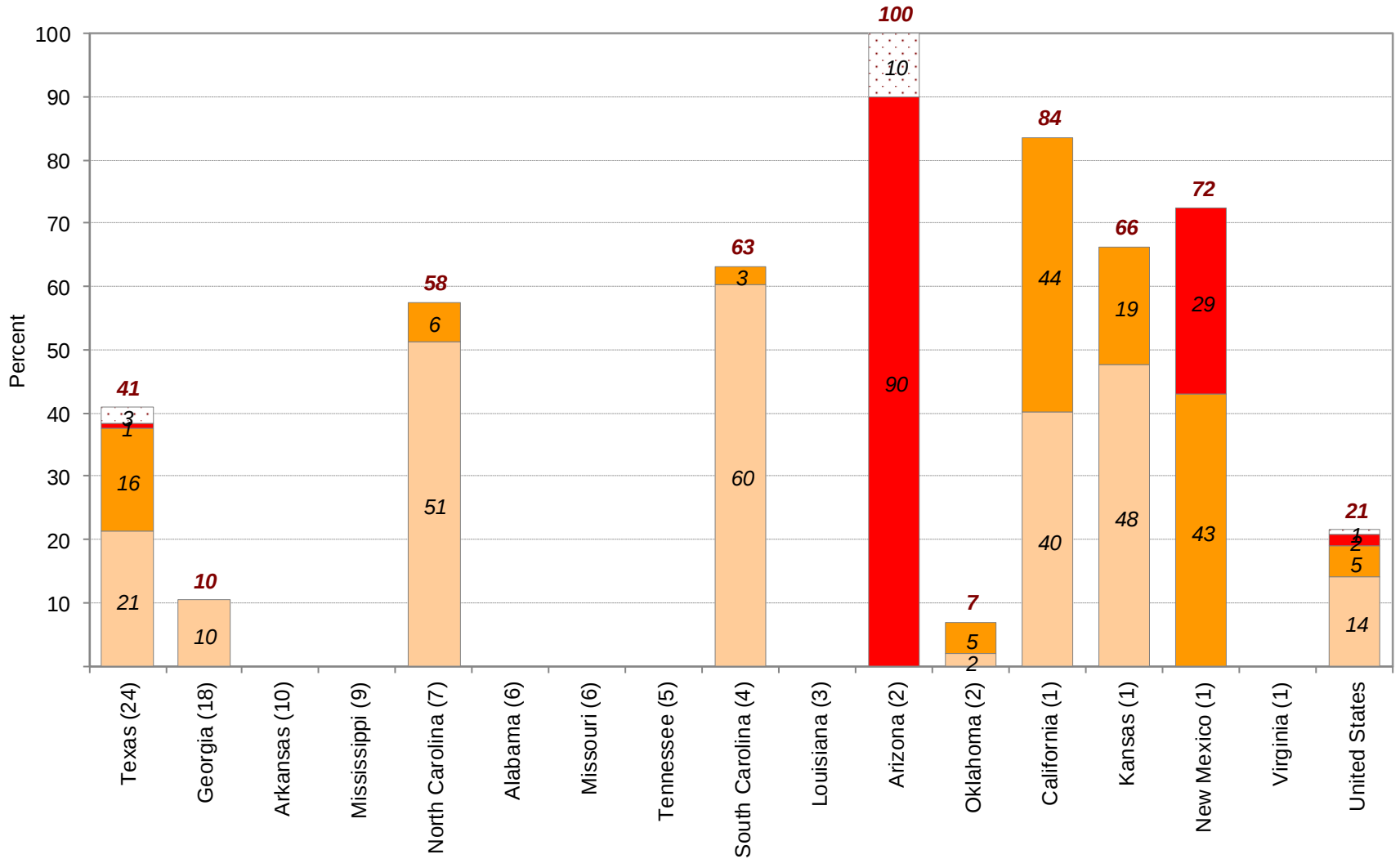
Cotton Areas in Drought

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Percent of Cotton Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

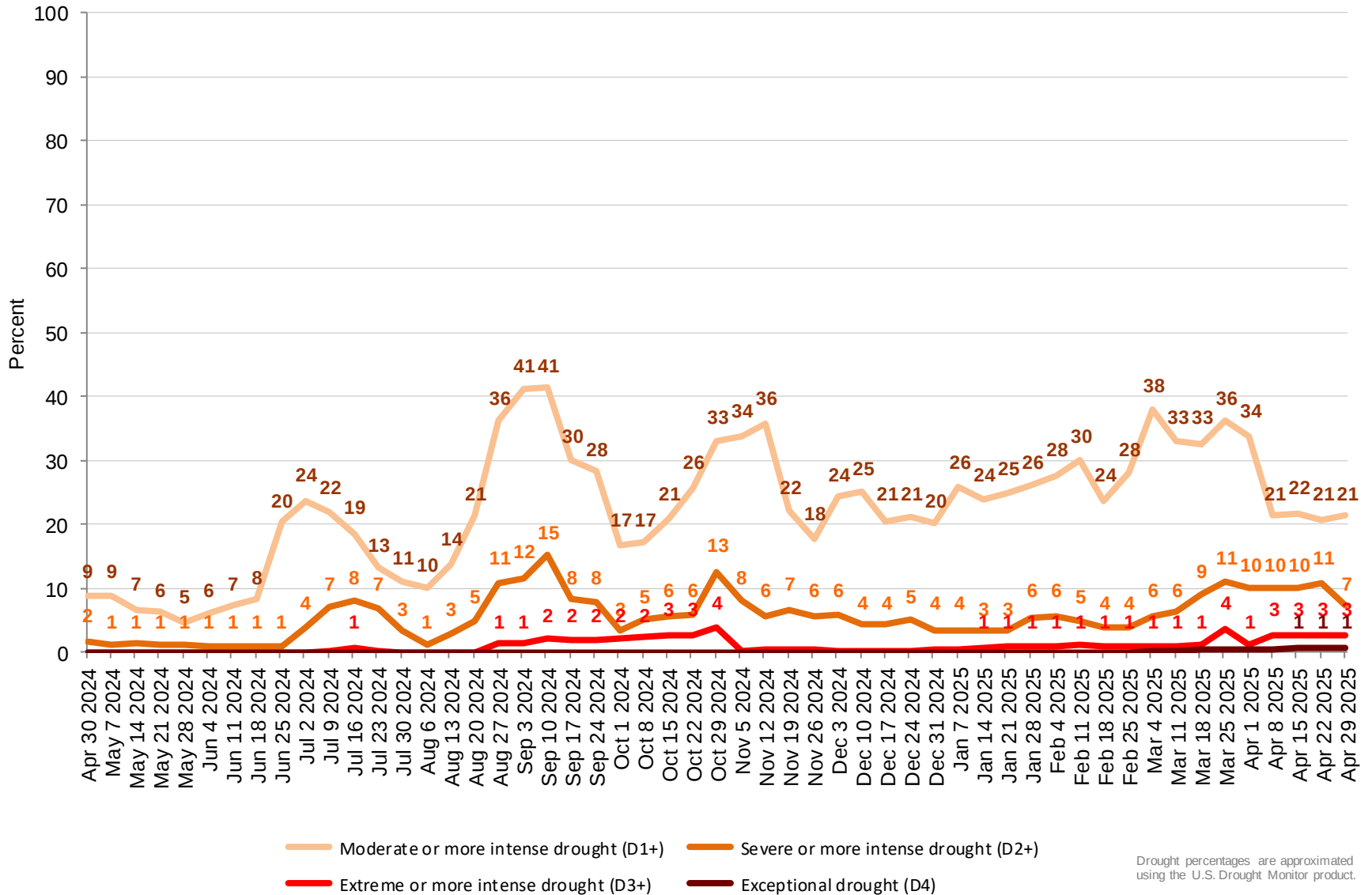
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Percent of United States Cotton Located in Drought



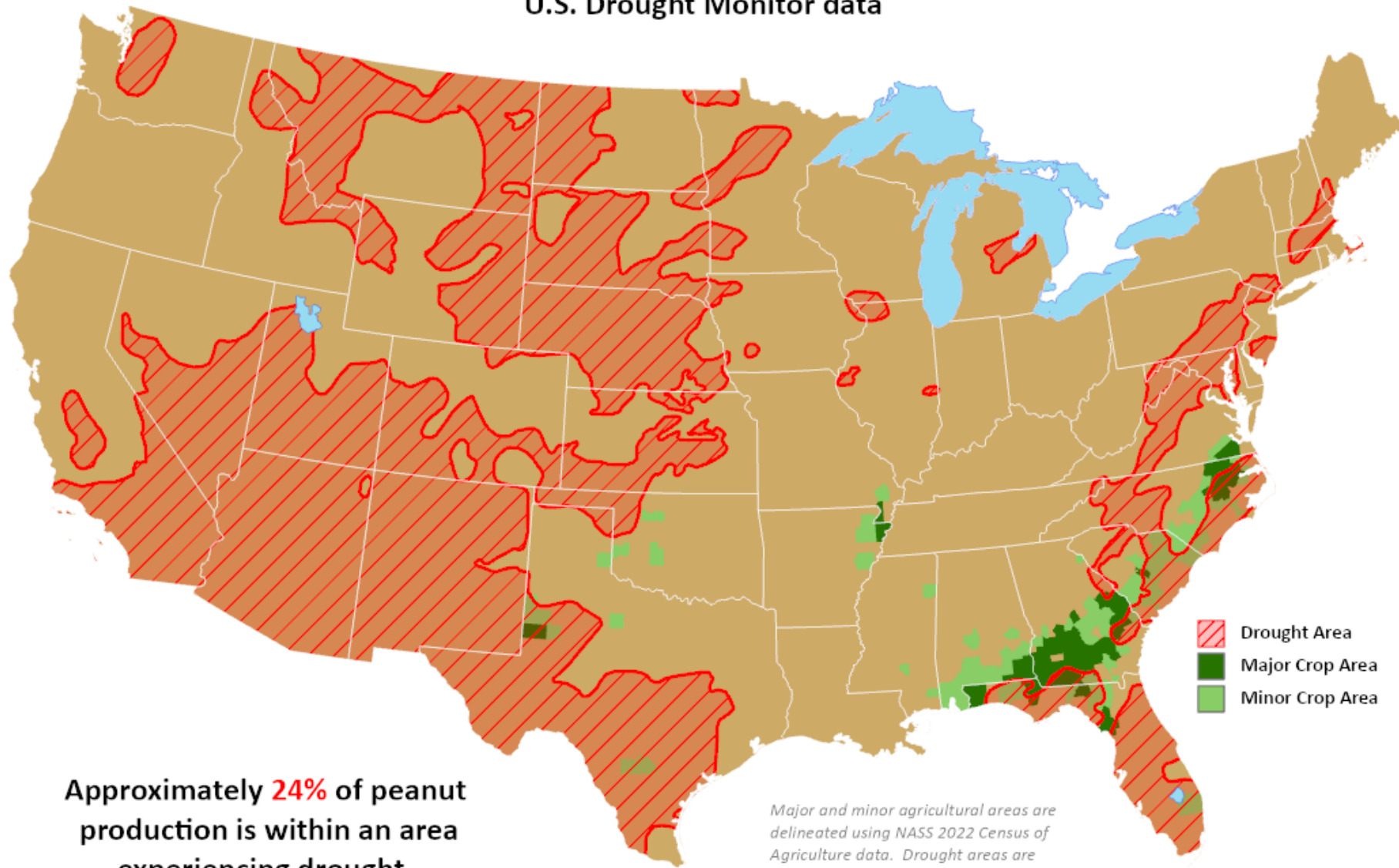


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Peanut Areas in Drought

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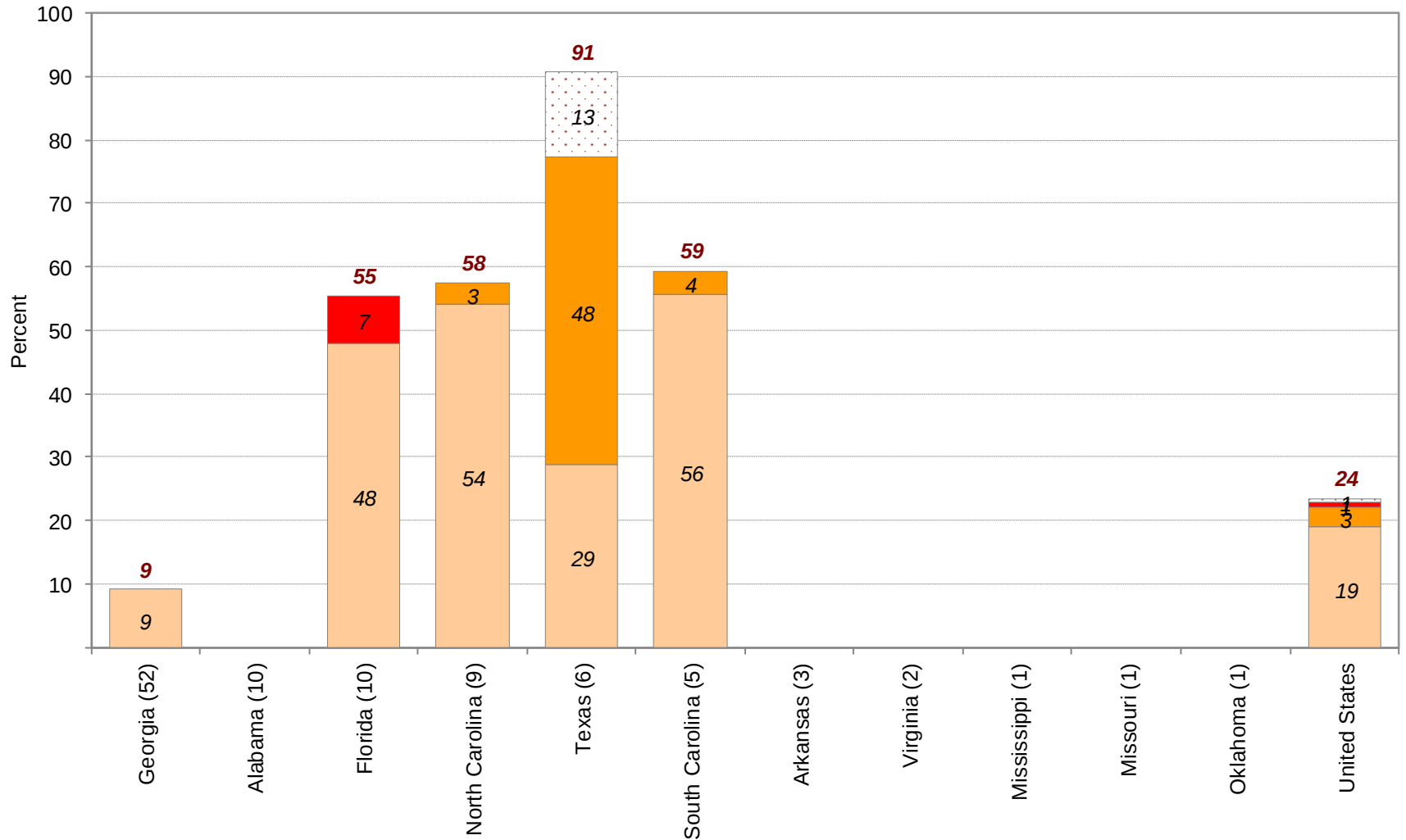


Approximately **24%** of peanut
production is within an area
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Percent of Peanuts Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

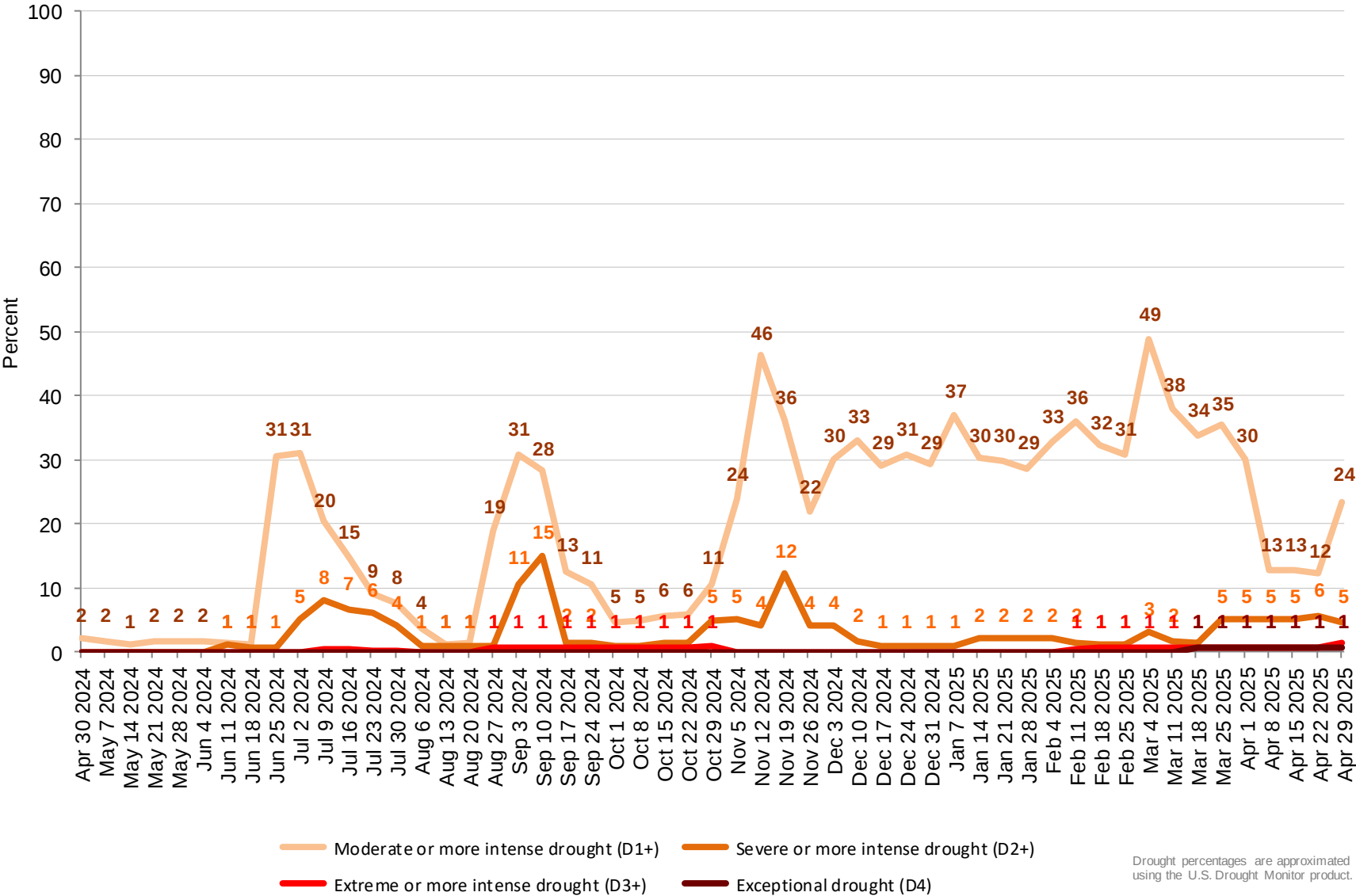
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Percent of United States Peanuts Located in Drought



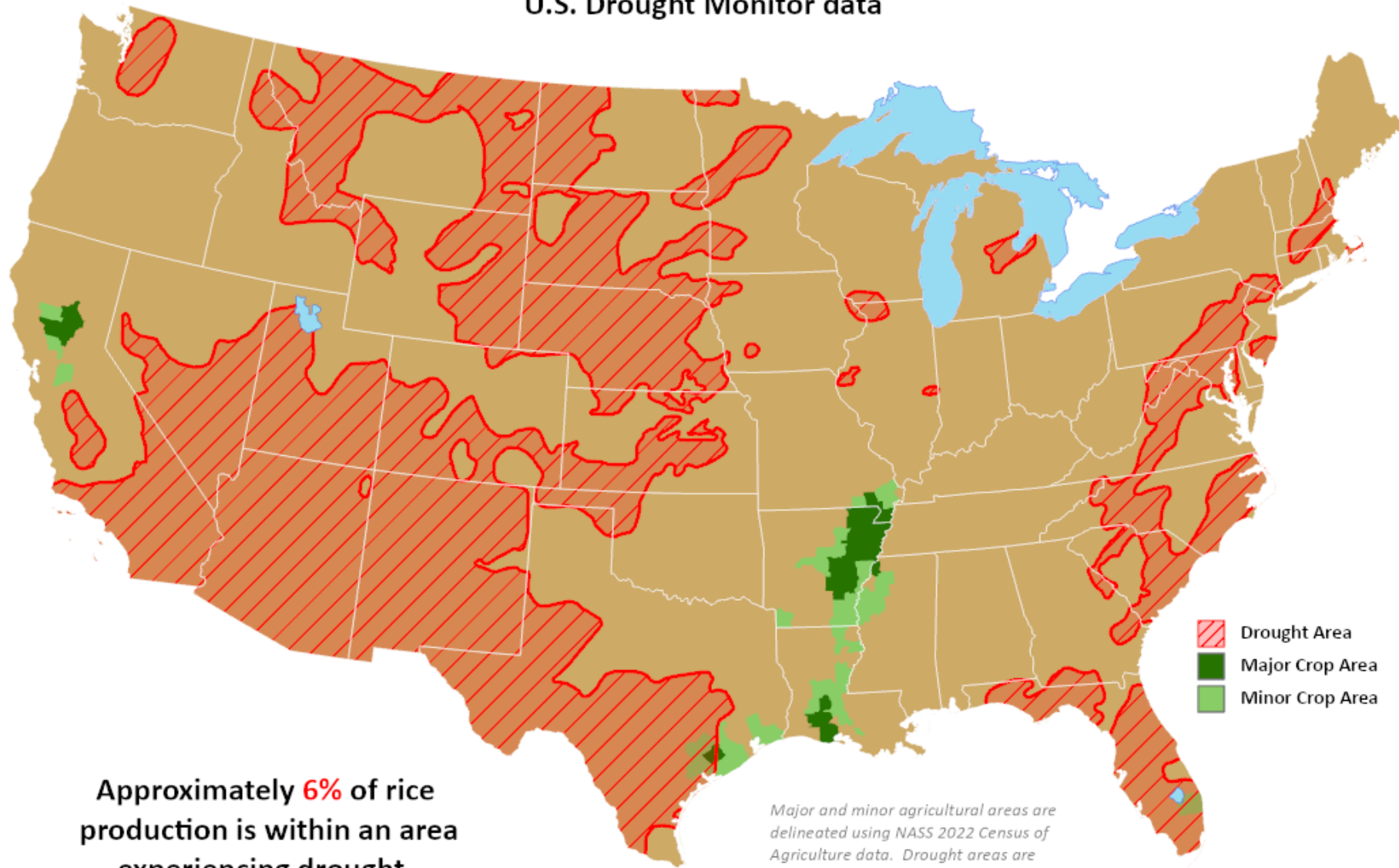


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Rice Areas in Drought

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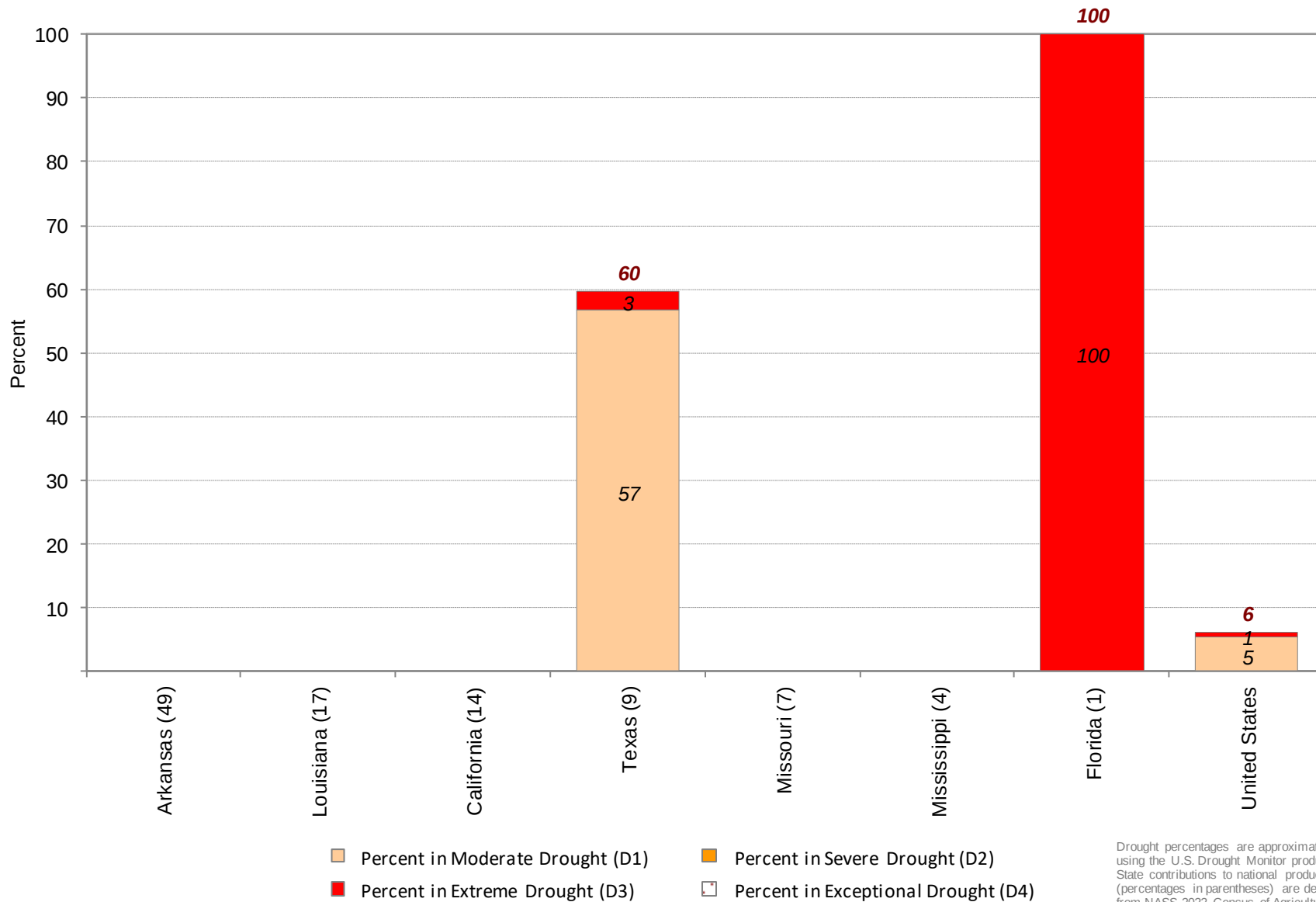


Approximately **6%** of rice
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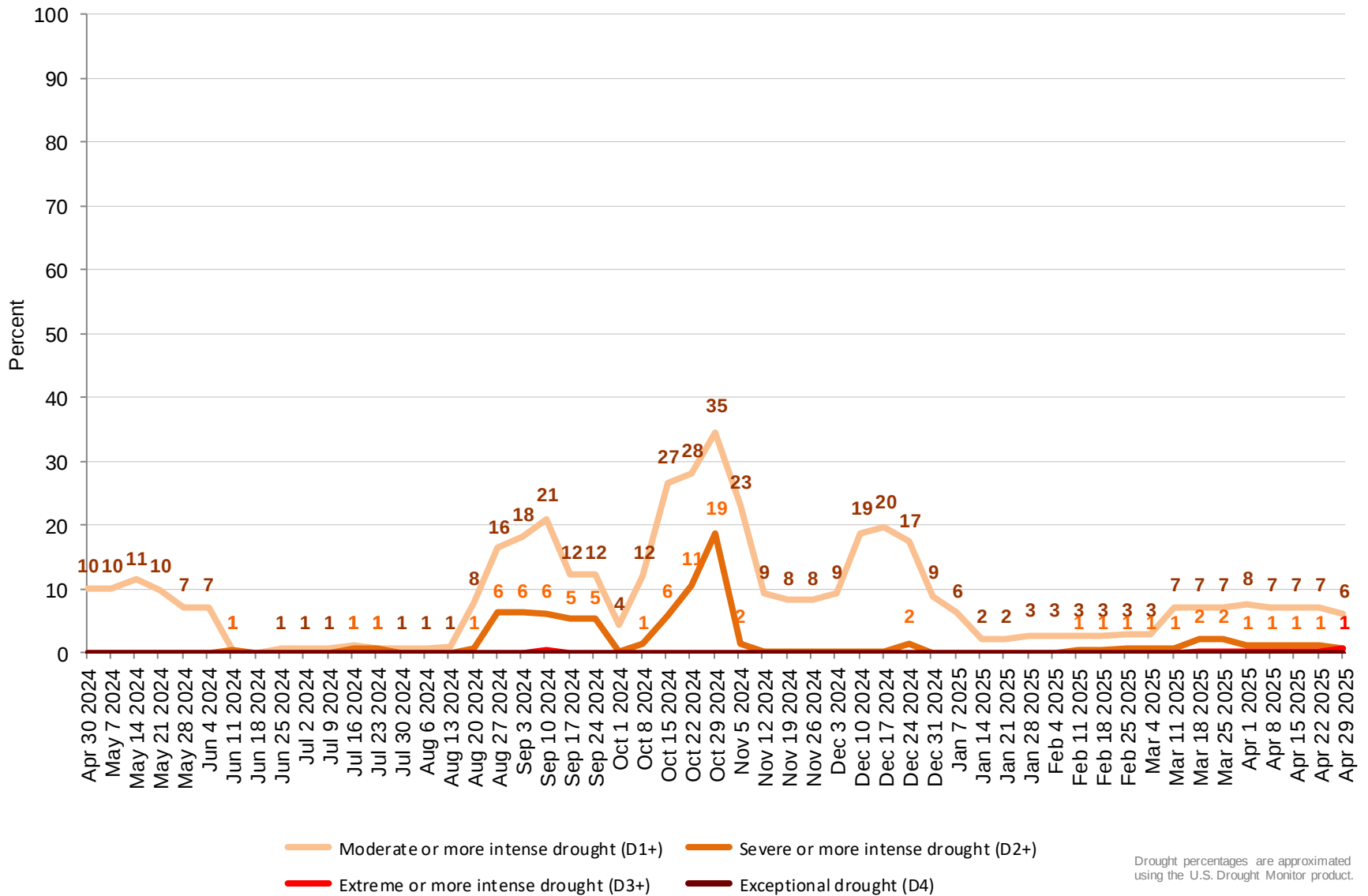
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Percent of Rice Located in Drought

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Percent of United States Rice Located in Drought



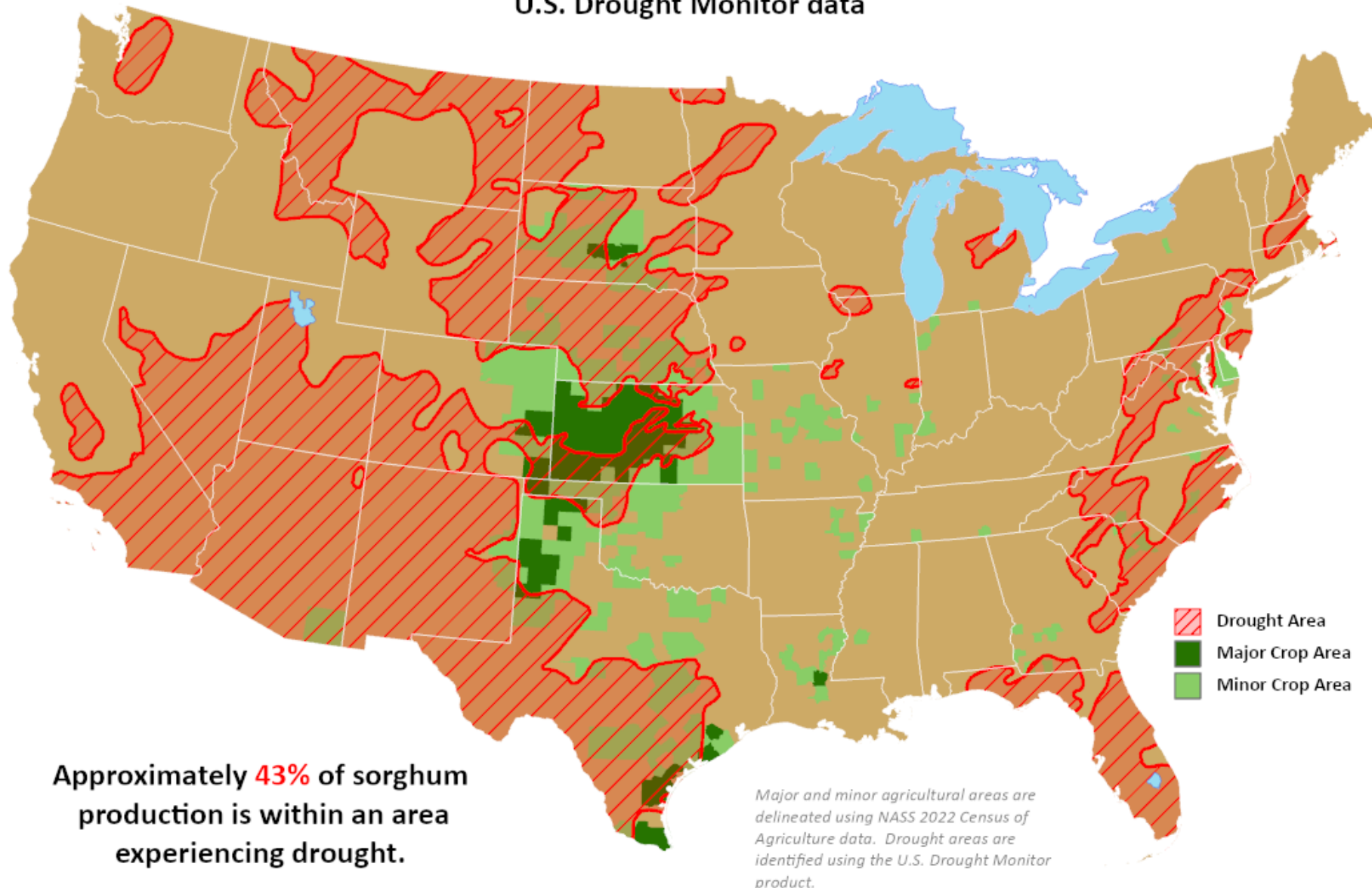


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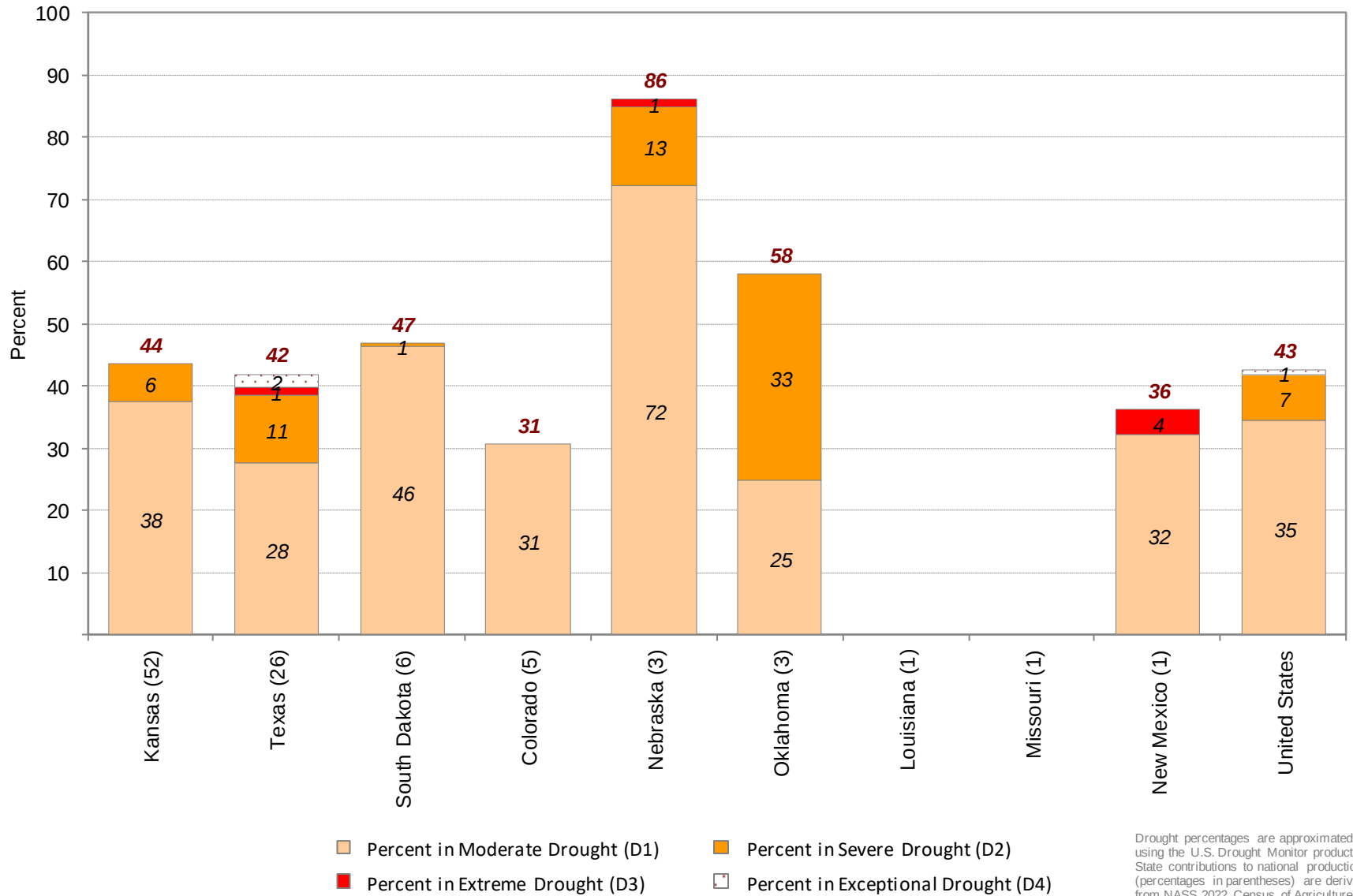
Sorghum Areas in Drought

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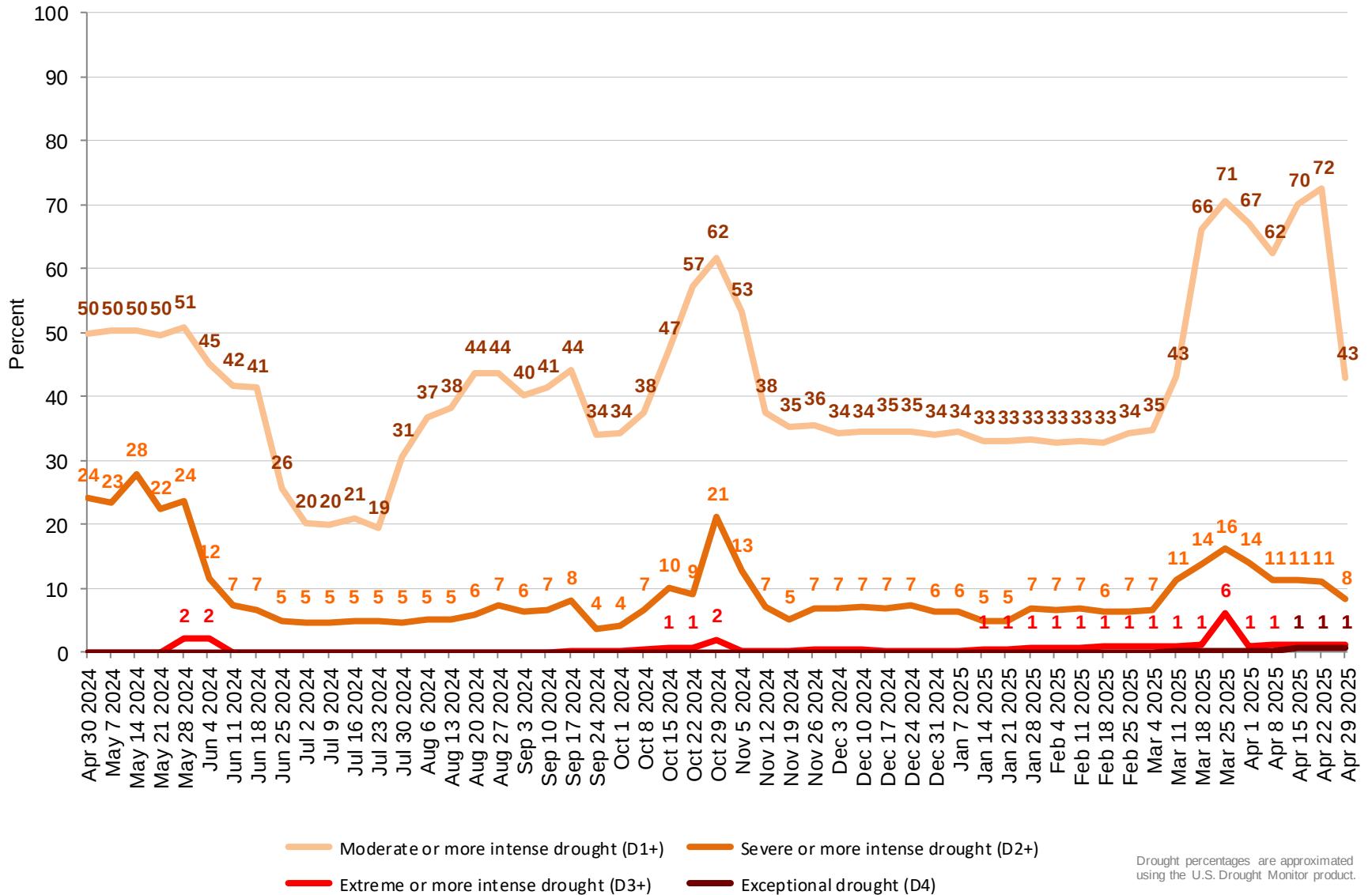


Percent of Sorghum Located in Drought

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Percent of United States Sorghum Located in Drought



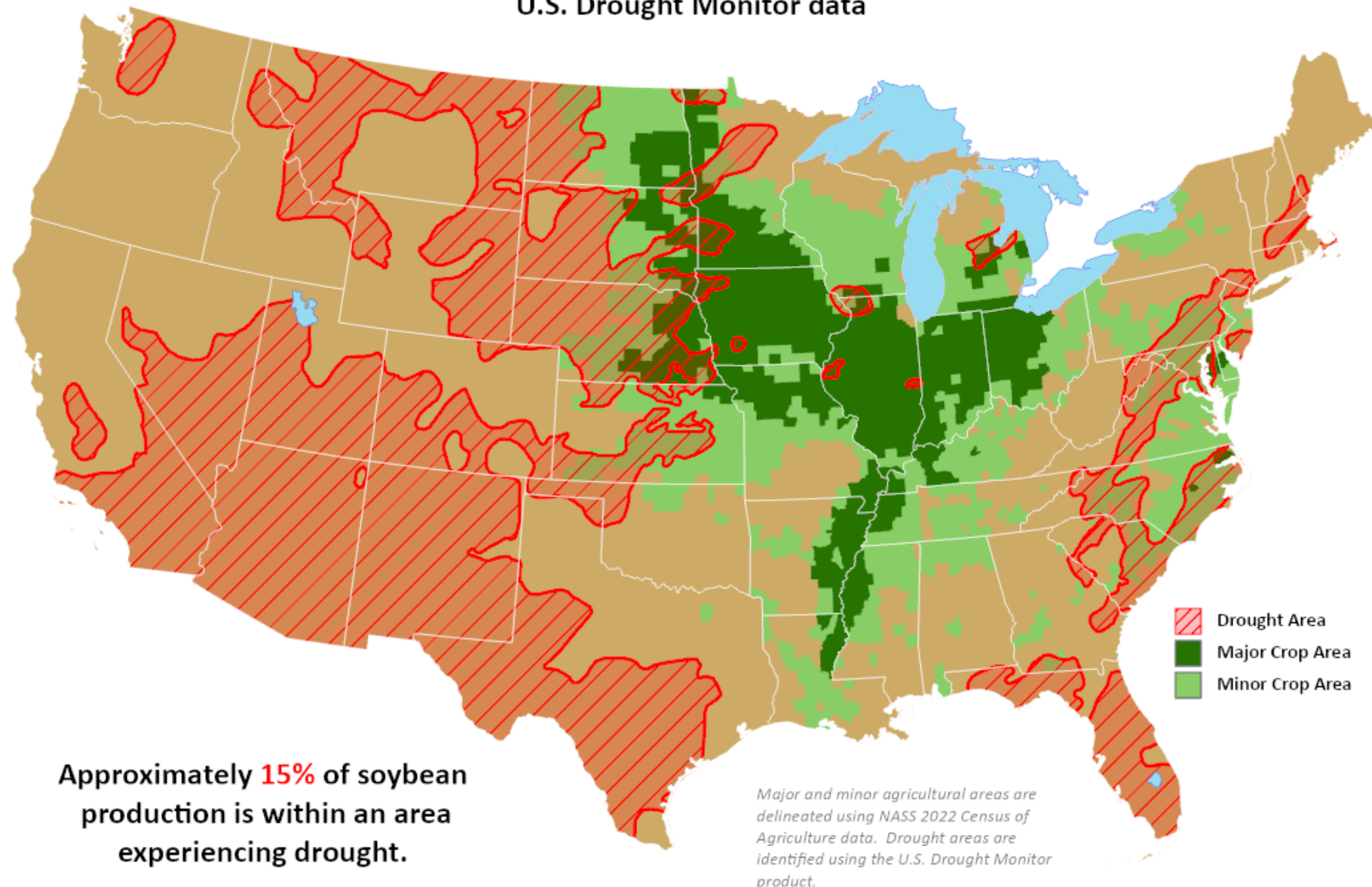


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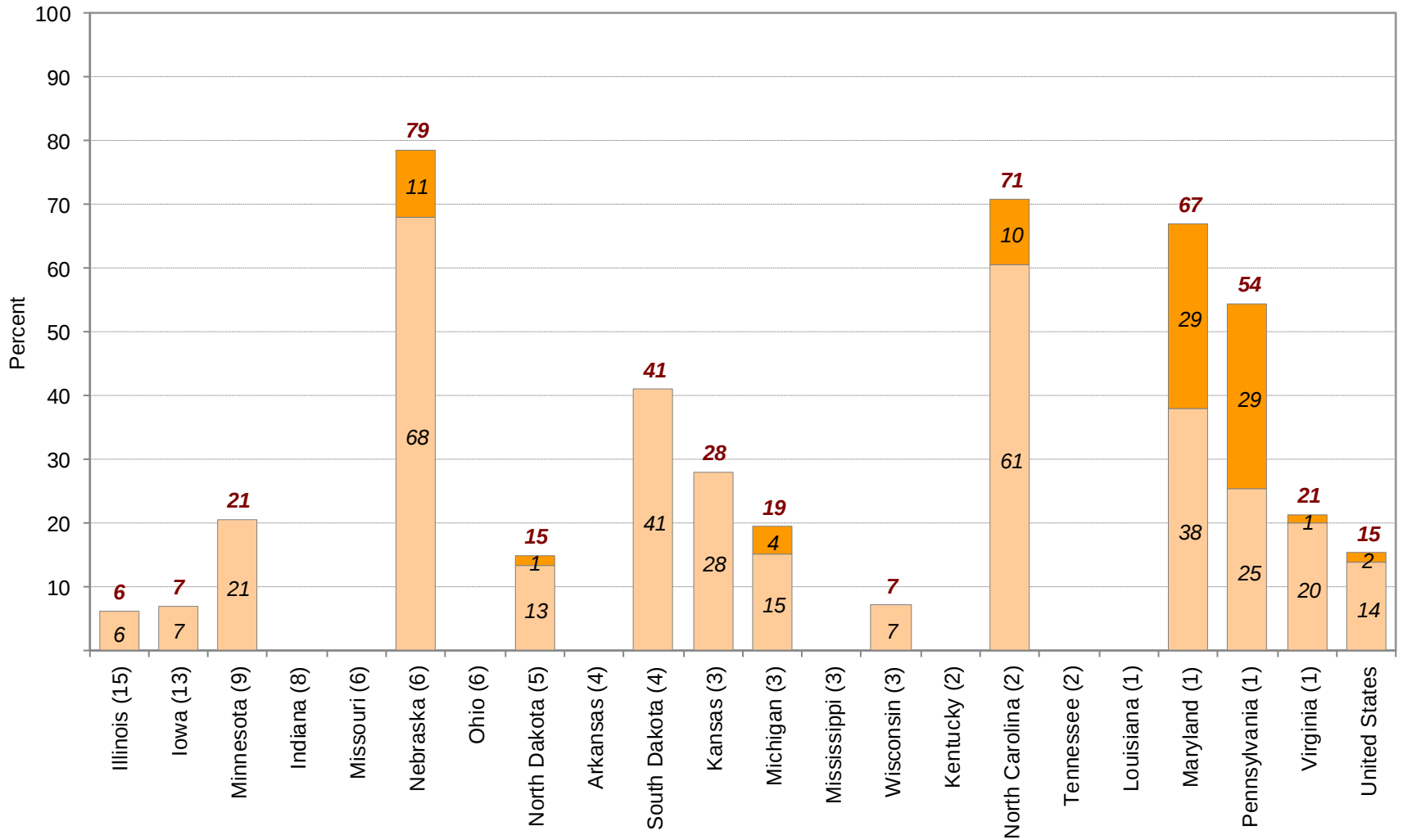
Soybean Areas in Drought

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Percent of Soybeans Located in Drought

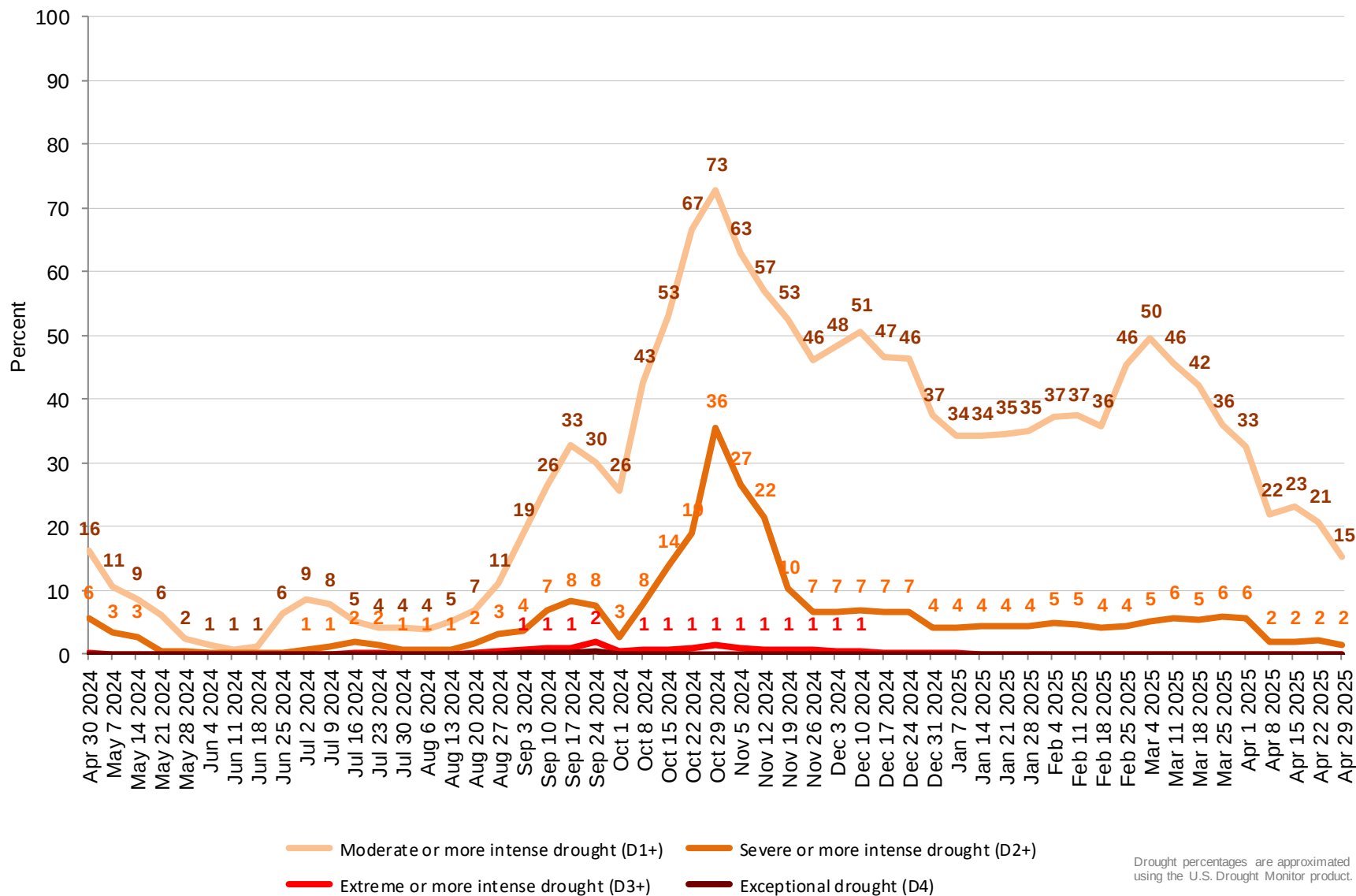
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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)
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Percent of United States Soybeans Located in Drought



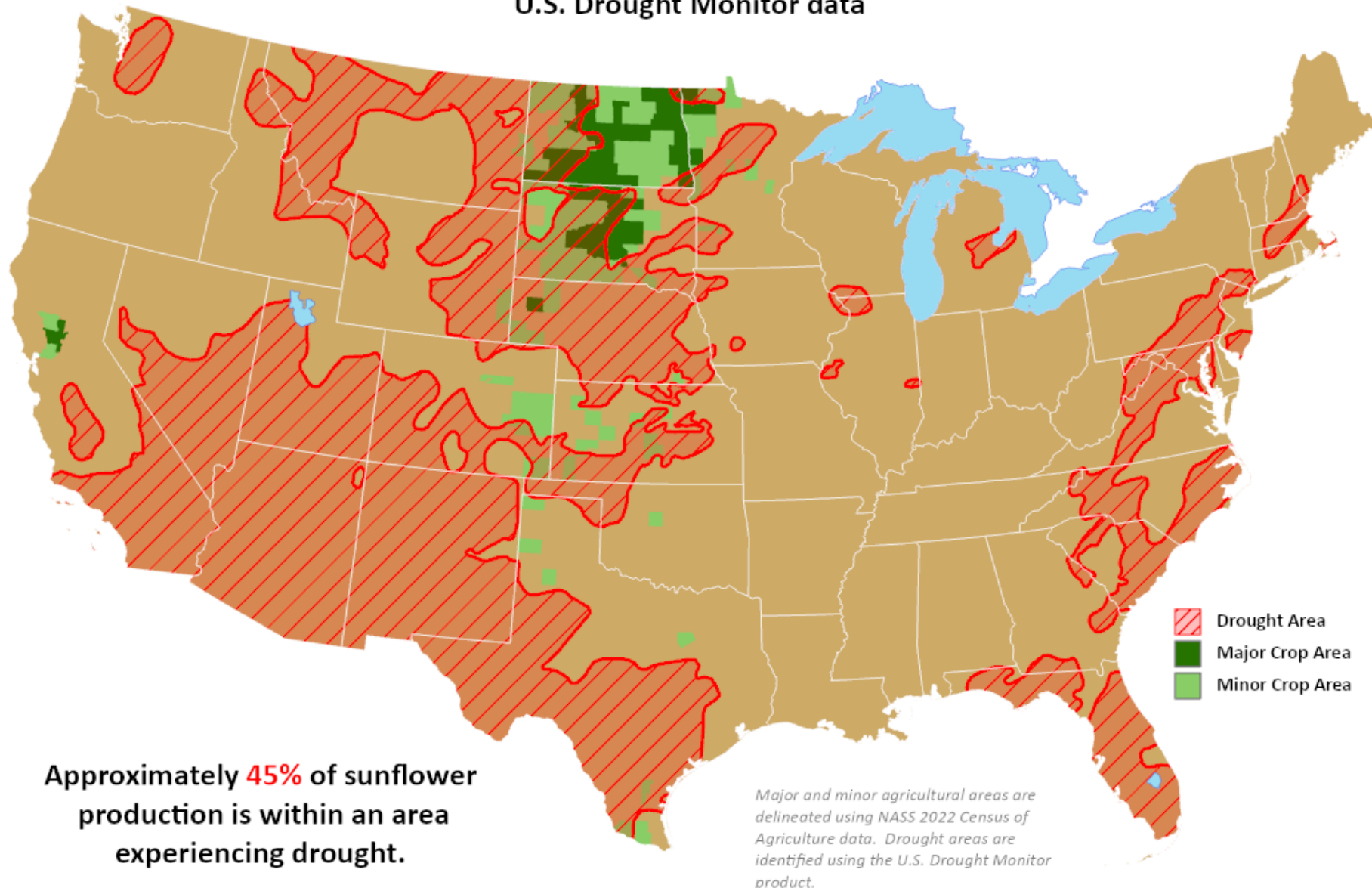


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Sunflower Areas in Drought

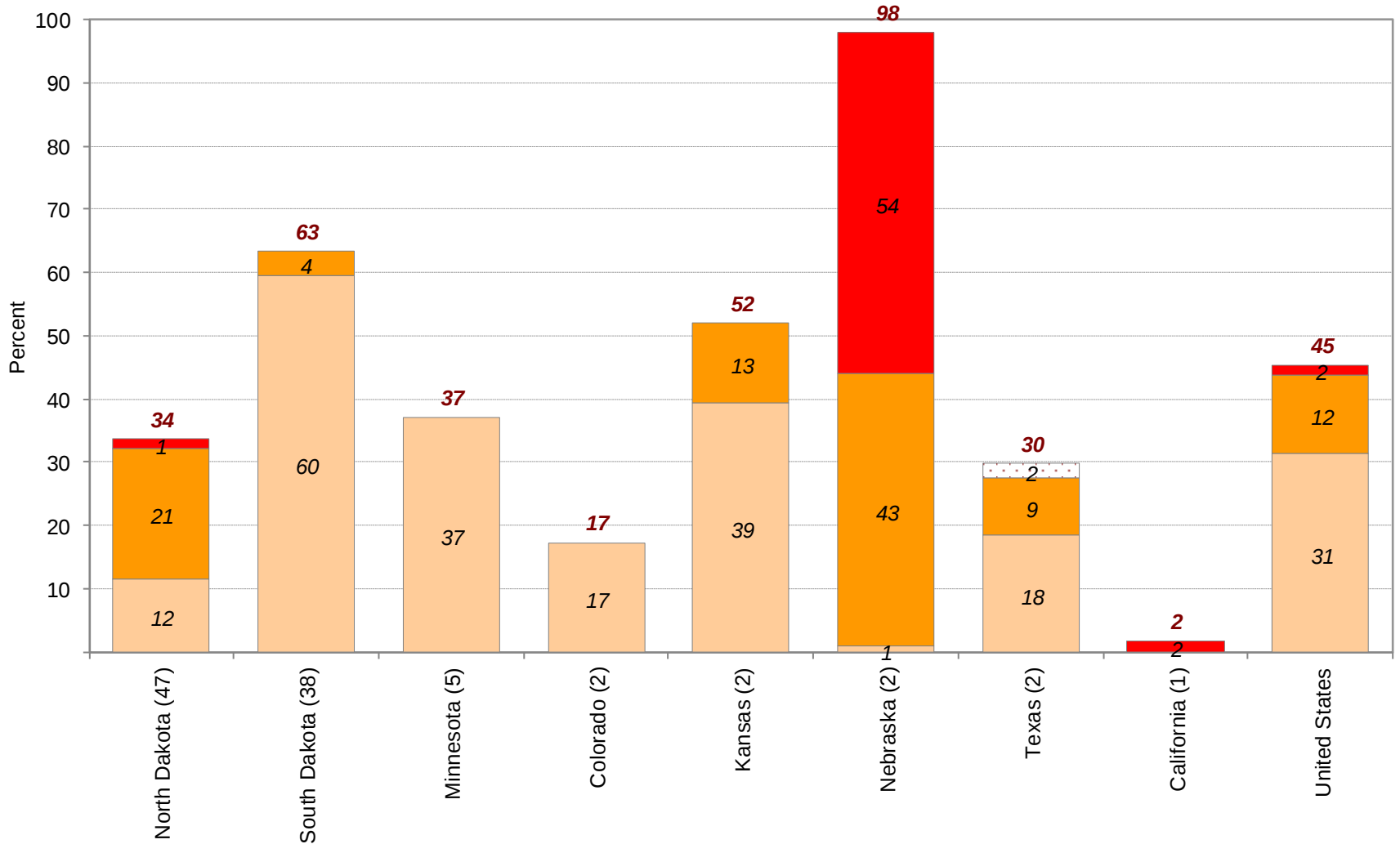
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Percent of Sunflowers Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

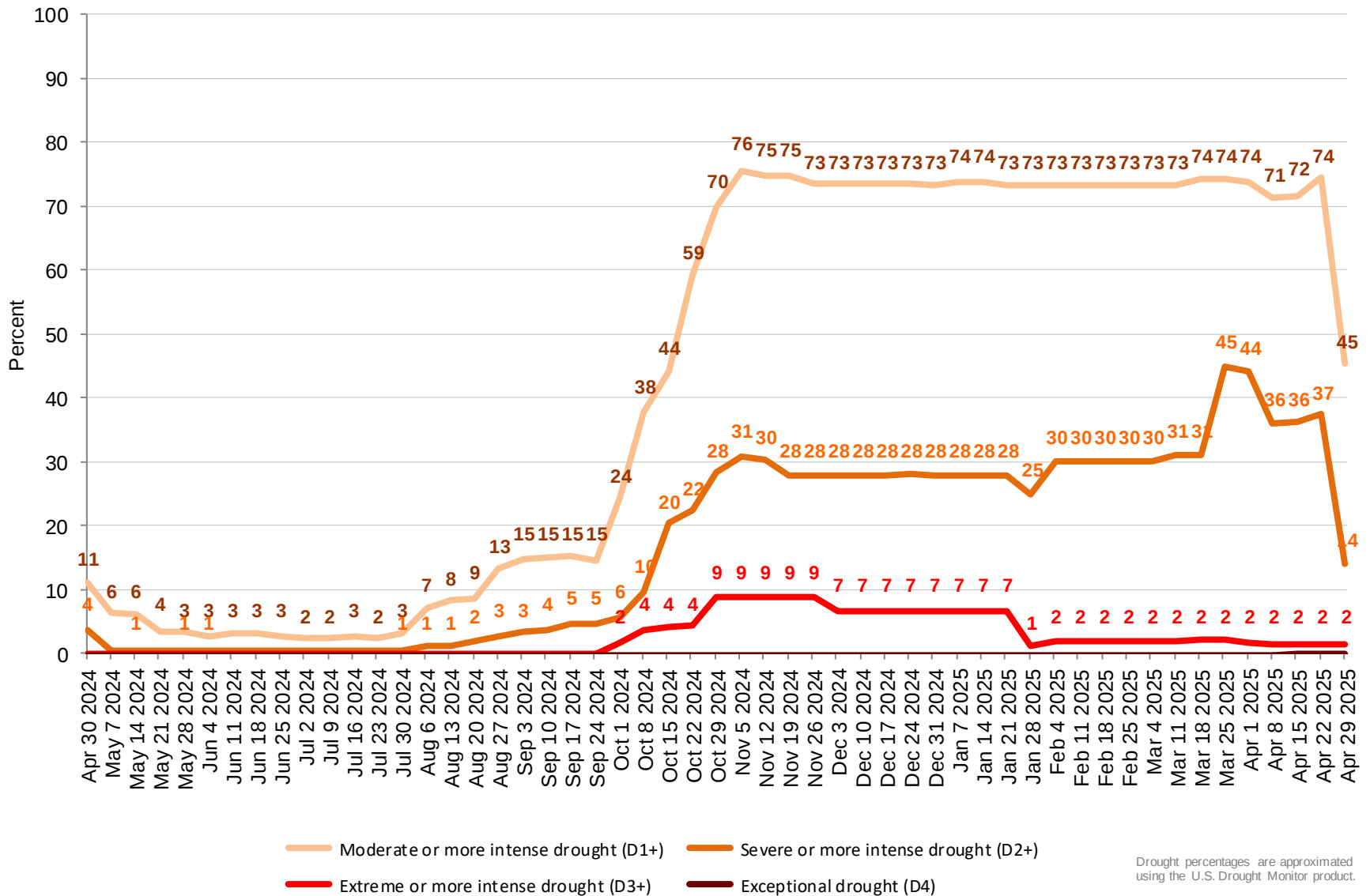
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Percent of United States Sunflowers Located in Drought



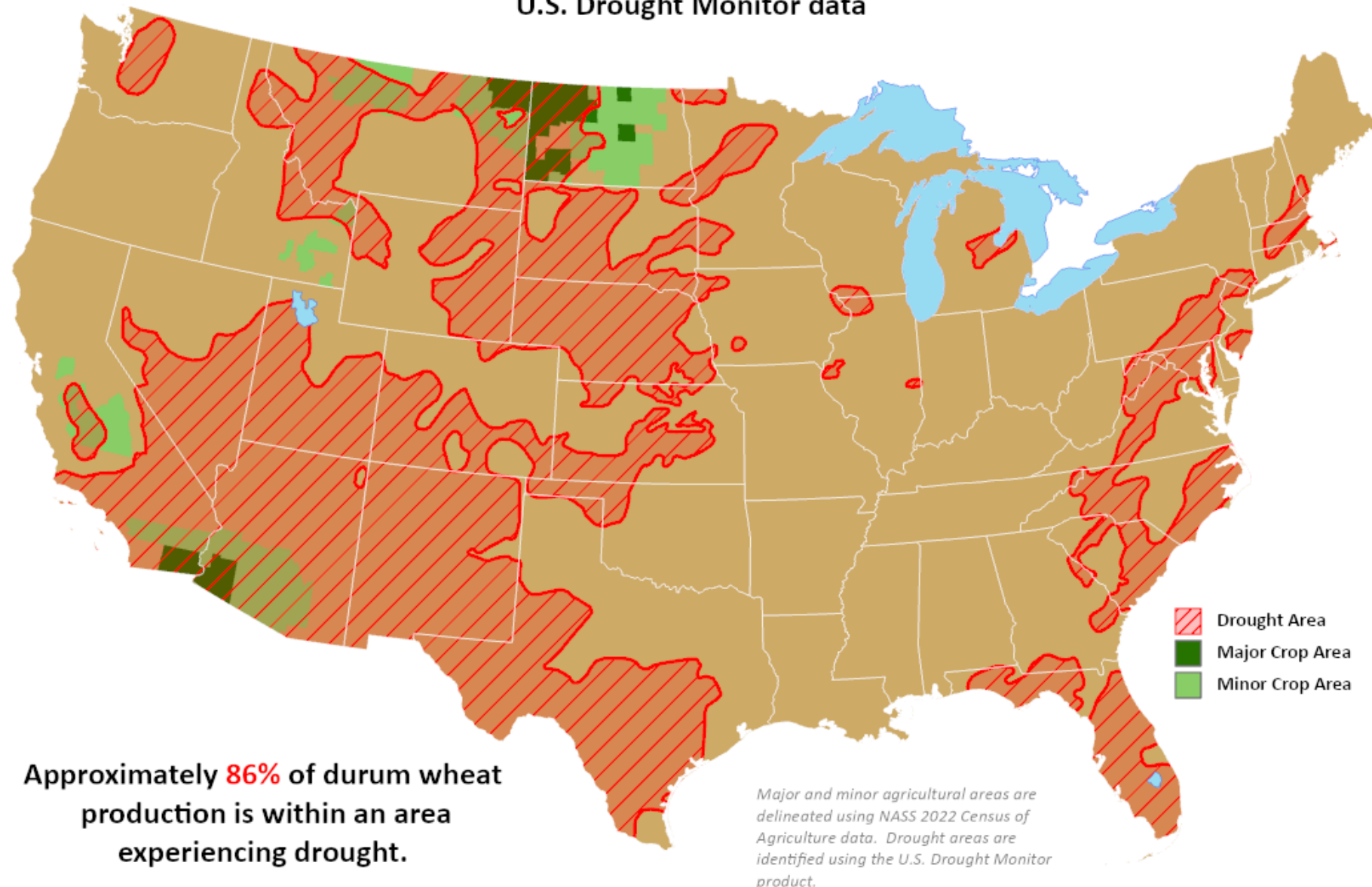


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Durum Wheat Areas in Drought

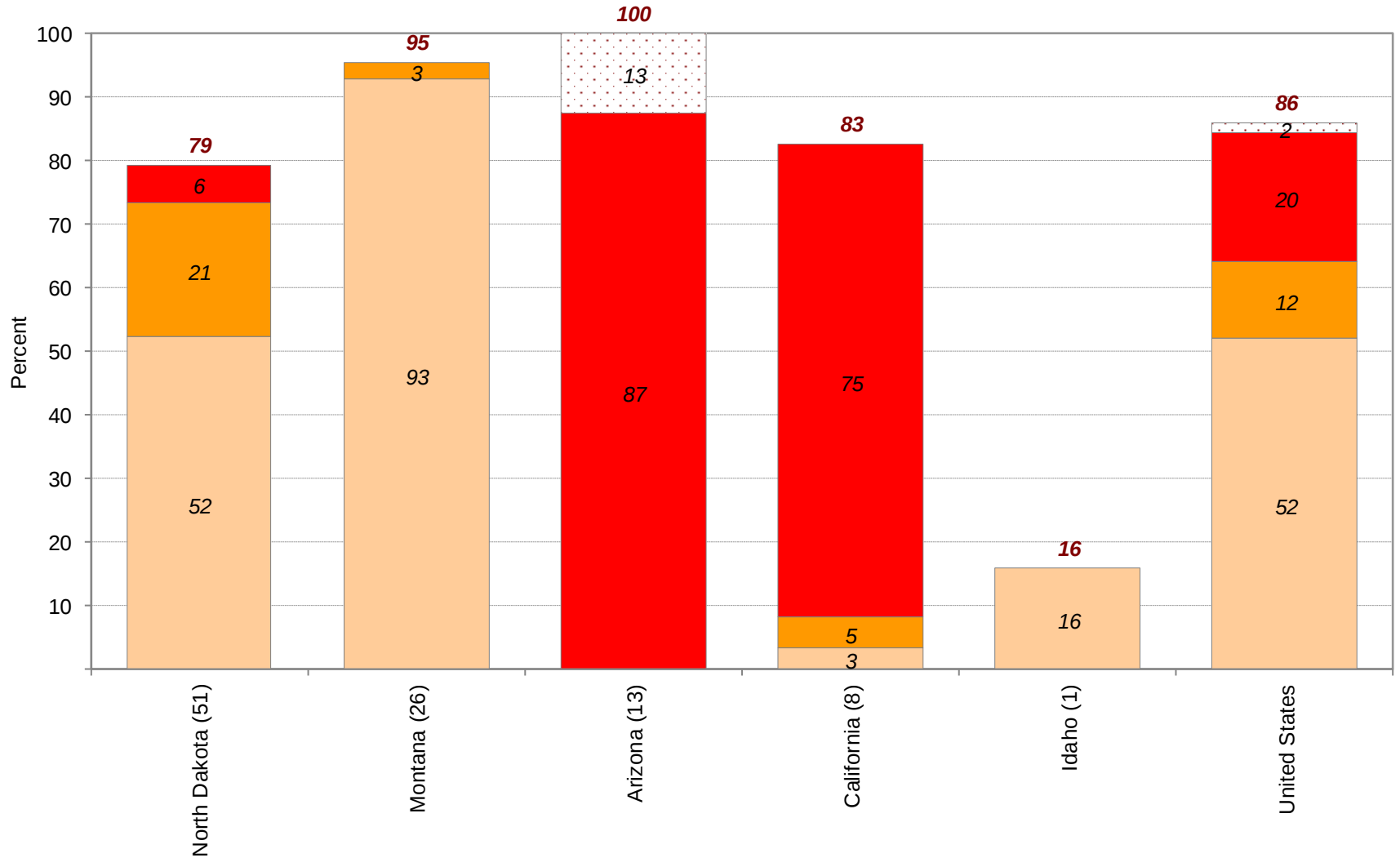
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Percent of Durum Wheat Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

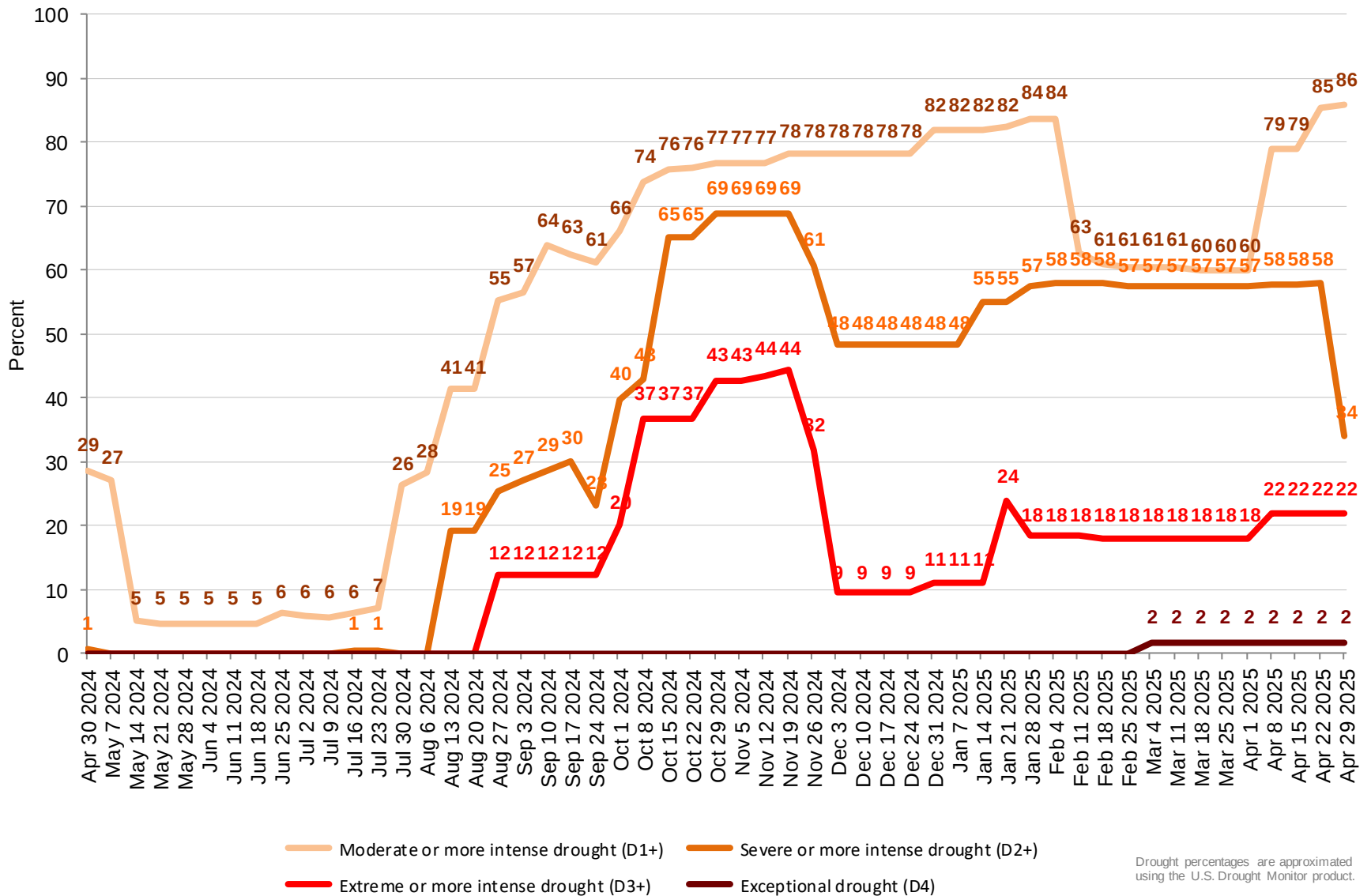
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Percent of United States Durum Wheat Located in Drought



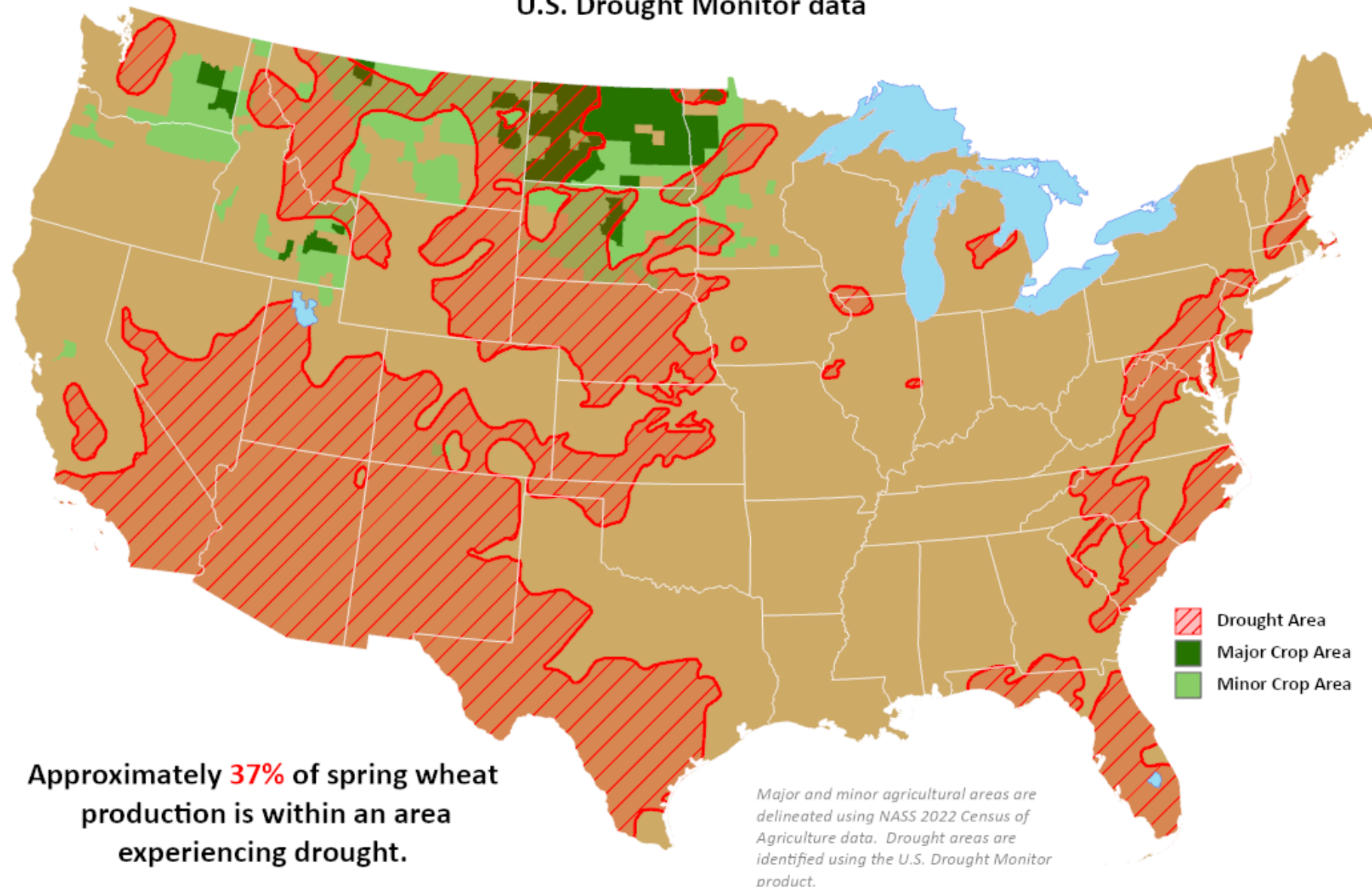


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Spring Wheat Areas in Drought

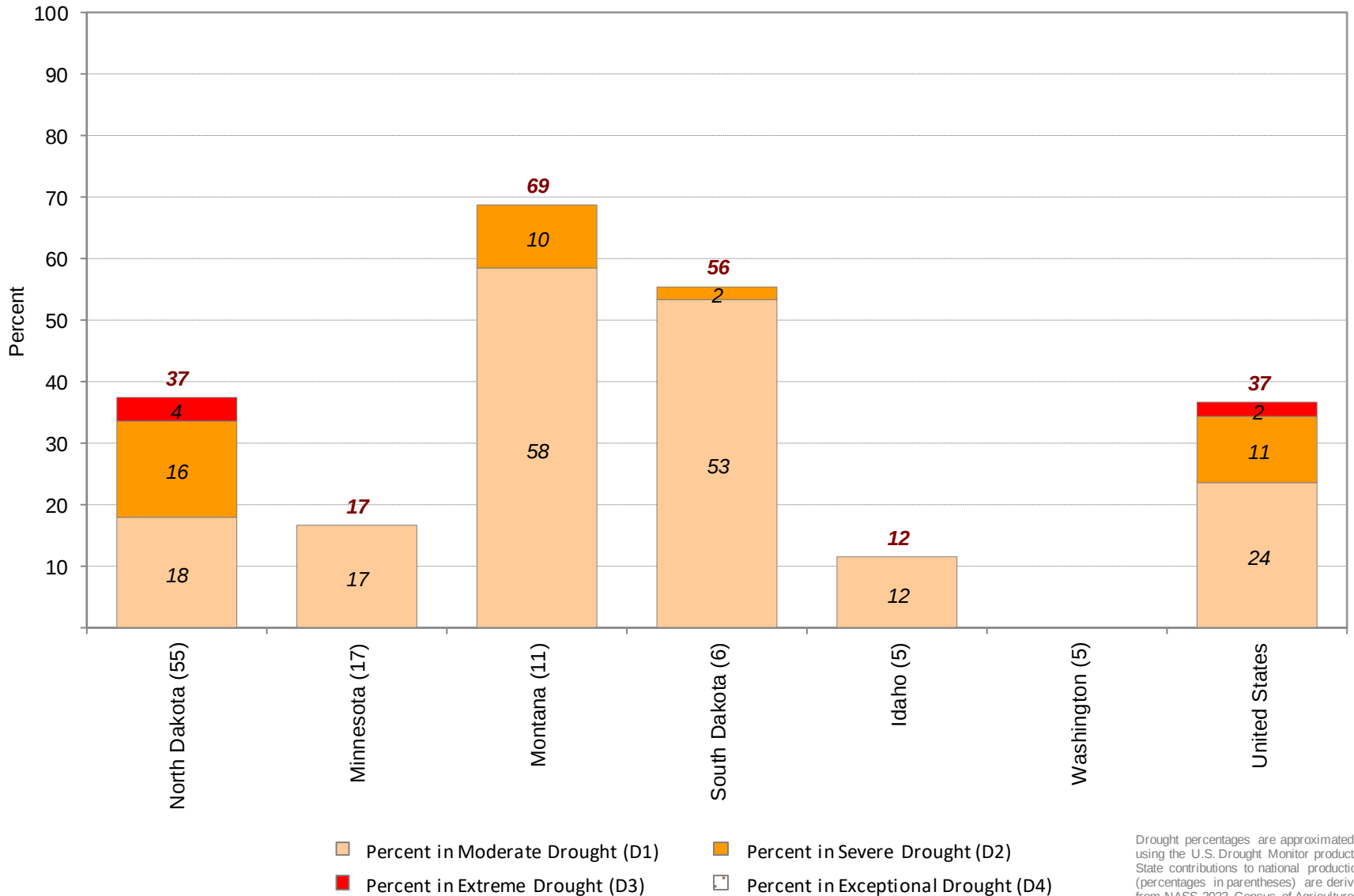
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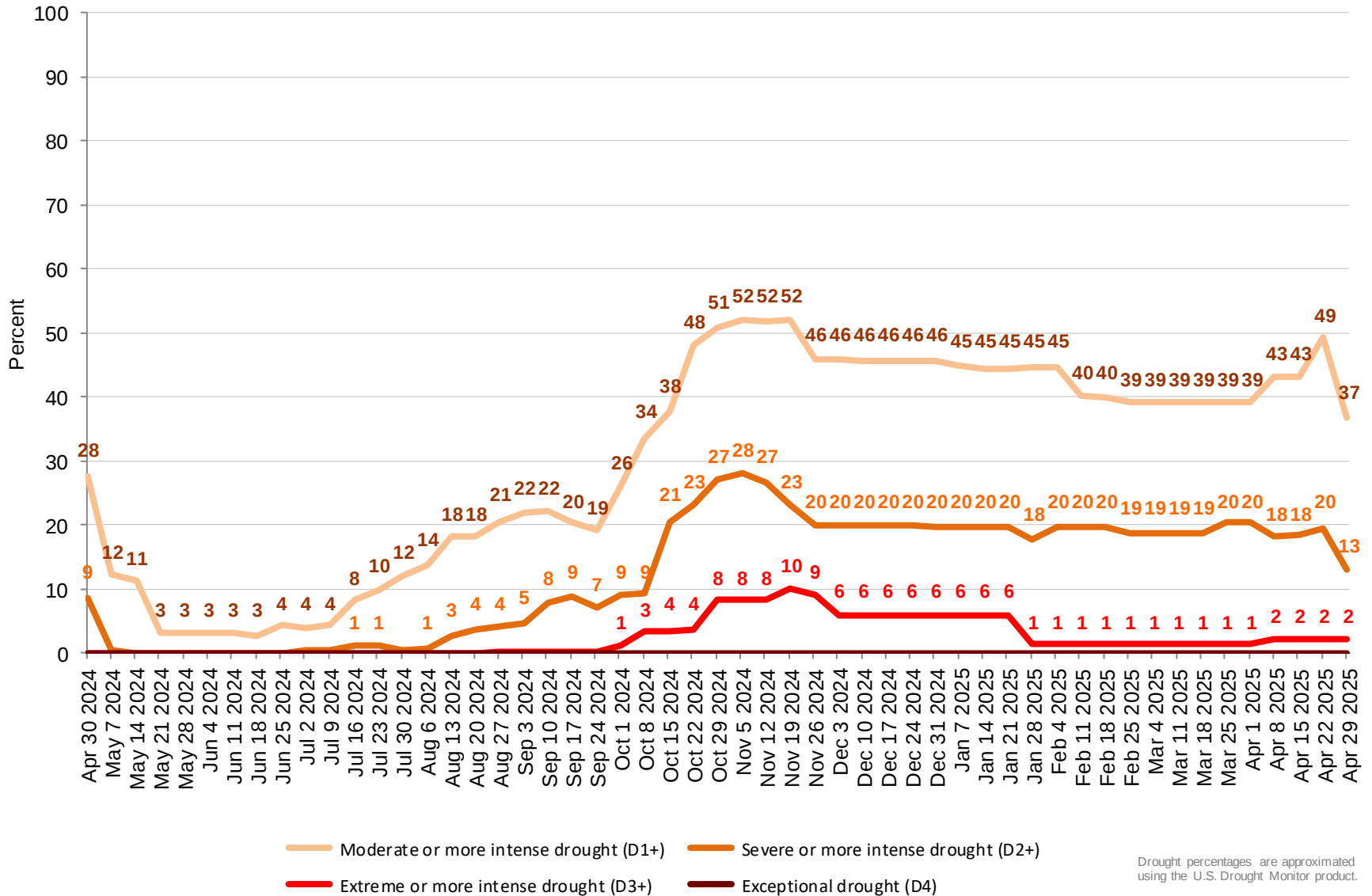


Percent of Spring Wheat Located in Drought

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Percent of United States Spring Wheat Located in Drought



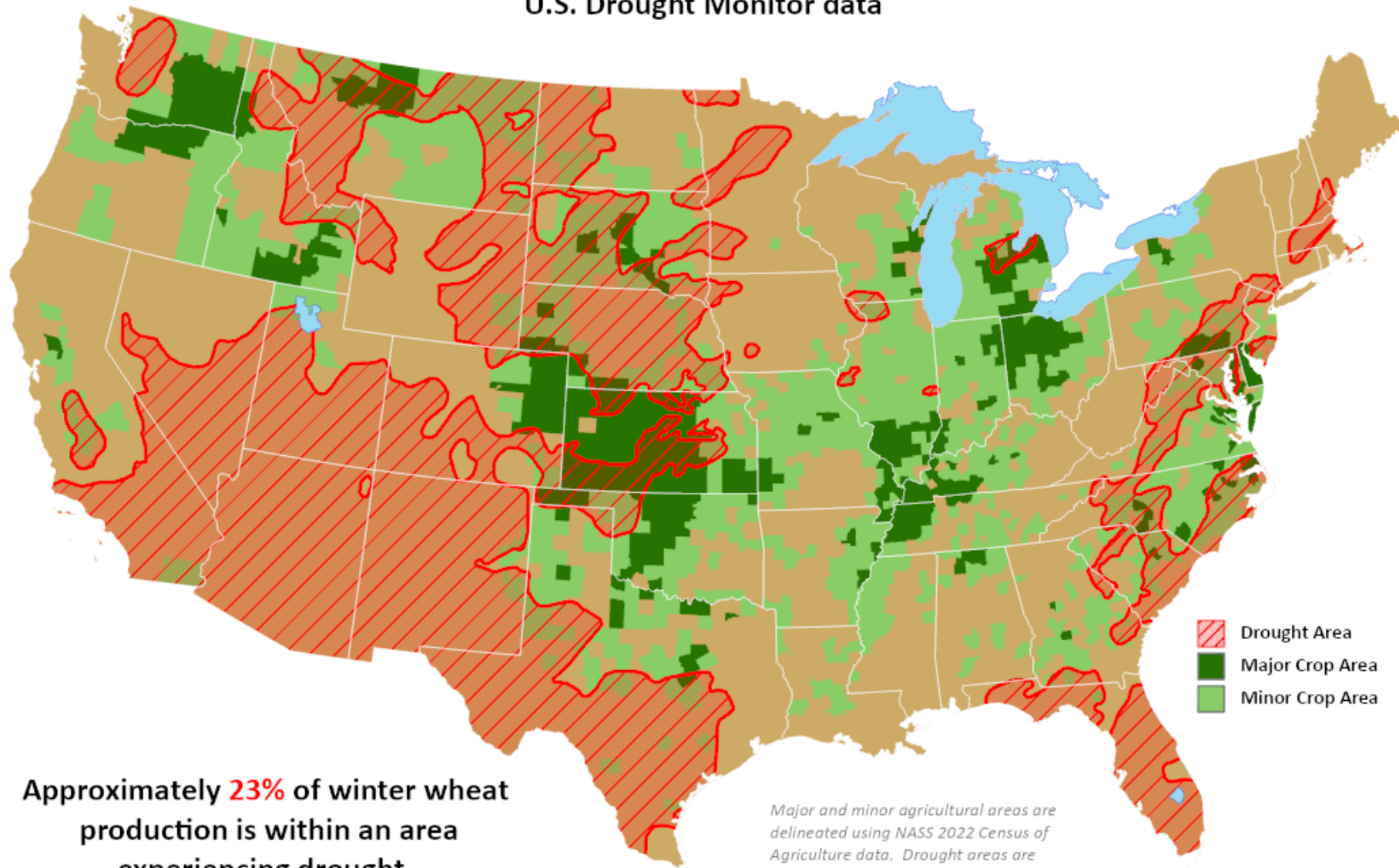


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Winter Wheat Areas in Drought

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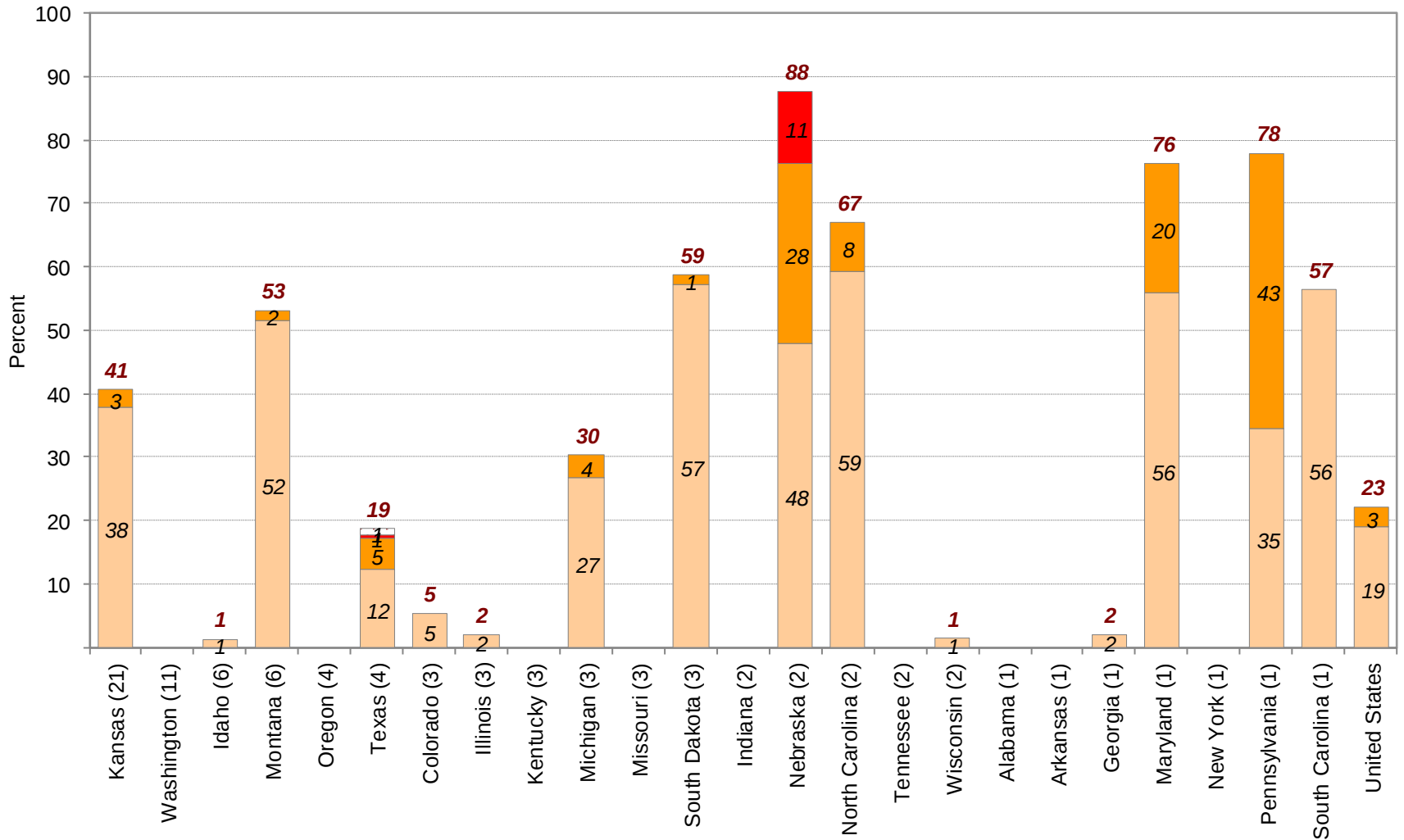


Approximately **23%** of winter wheat
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Percent of Winter Wheat Located in Drought

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Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

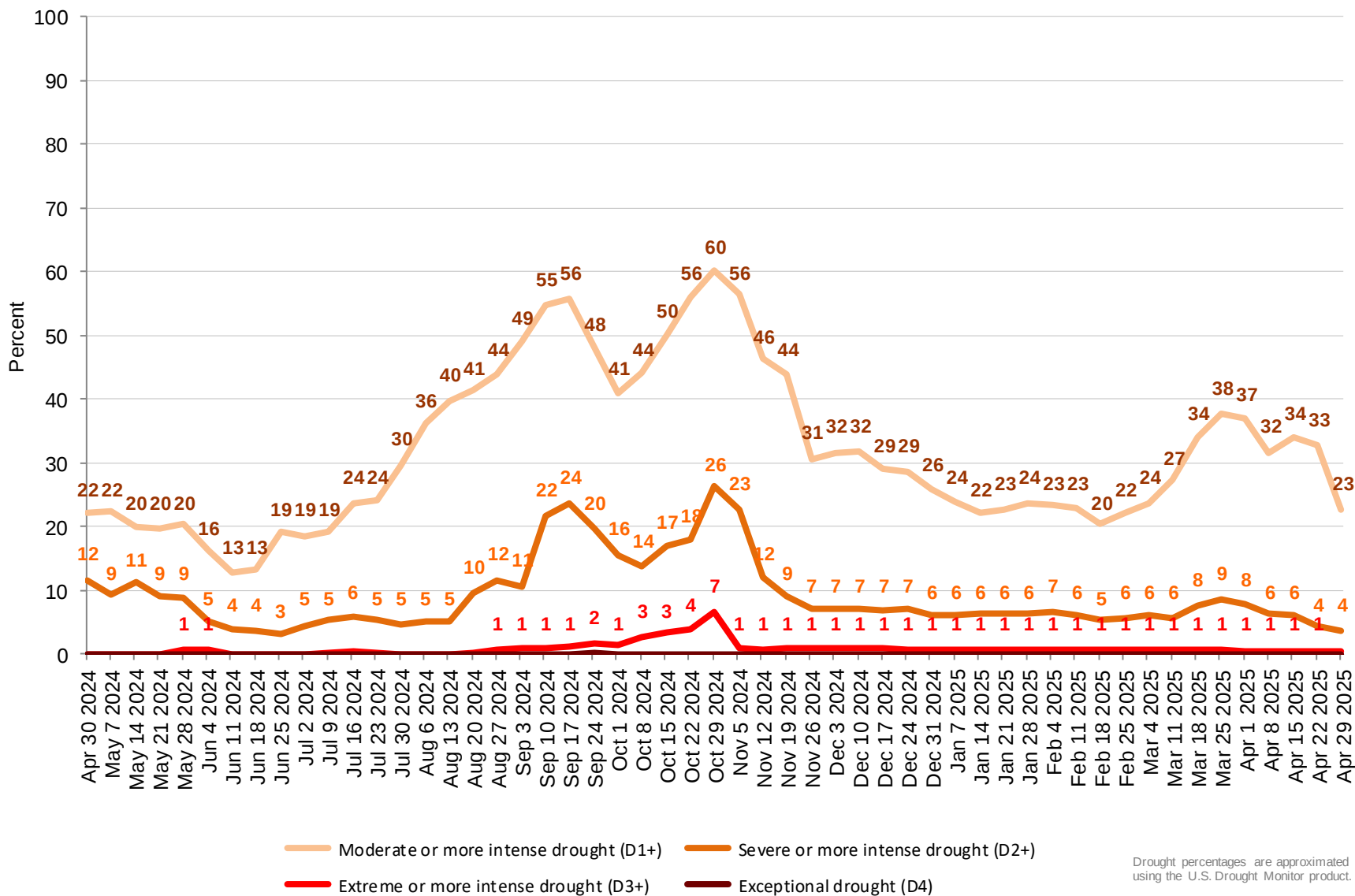
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Percent of United States Winter Wheat Located in Drought



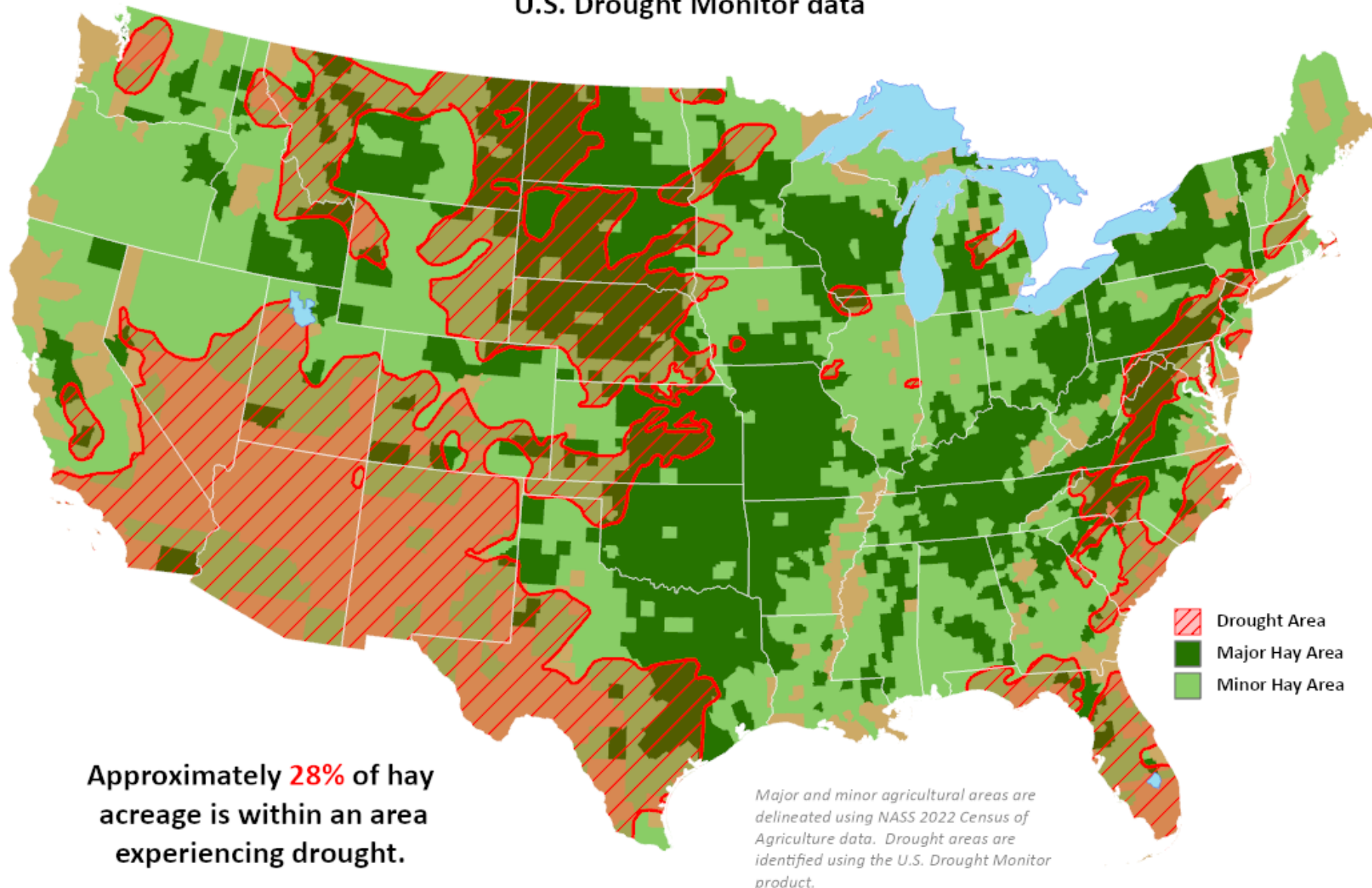


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Hay Areas in Drought

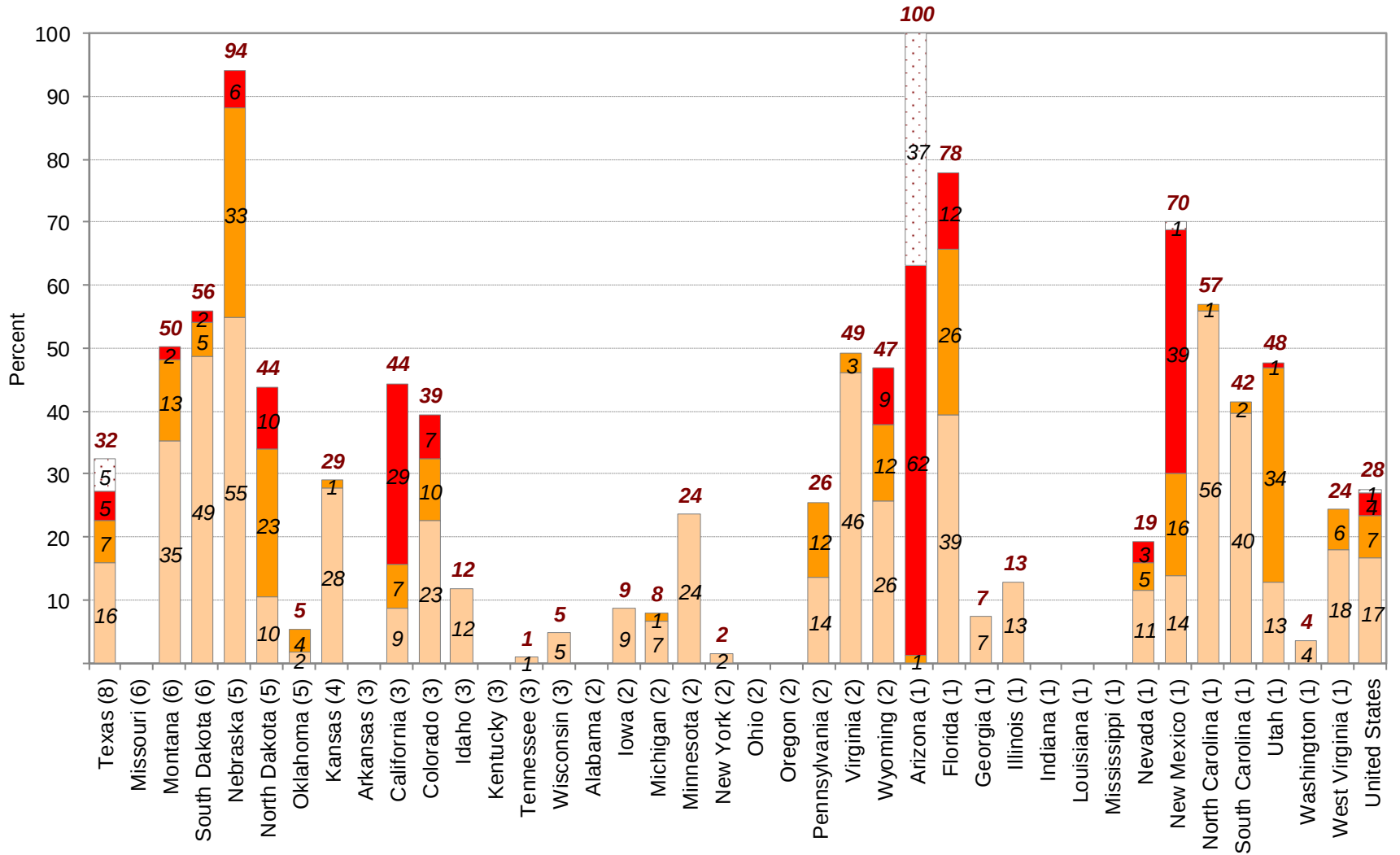
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Percent of Hay Located in Drought

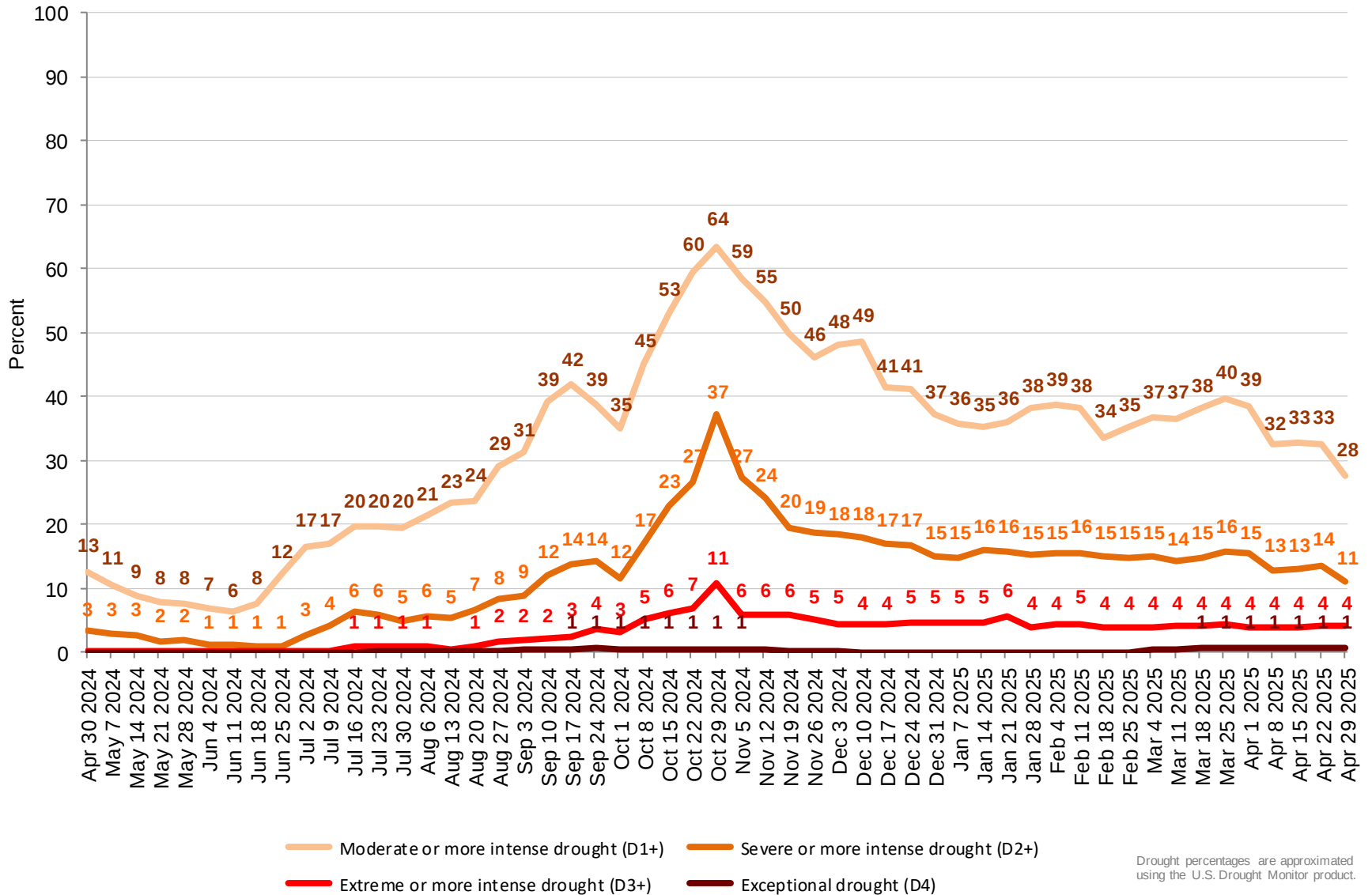
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Percent of United States Hay Located in Drought



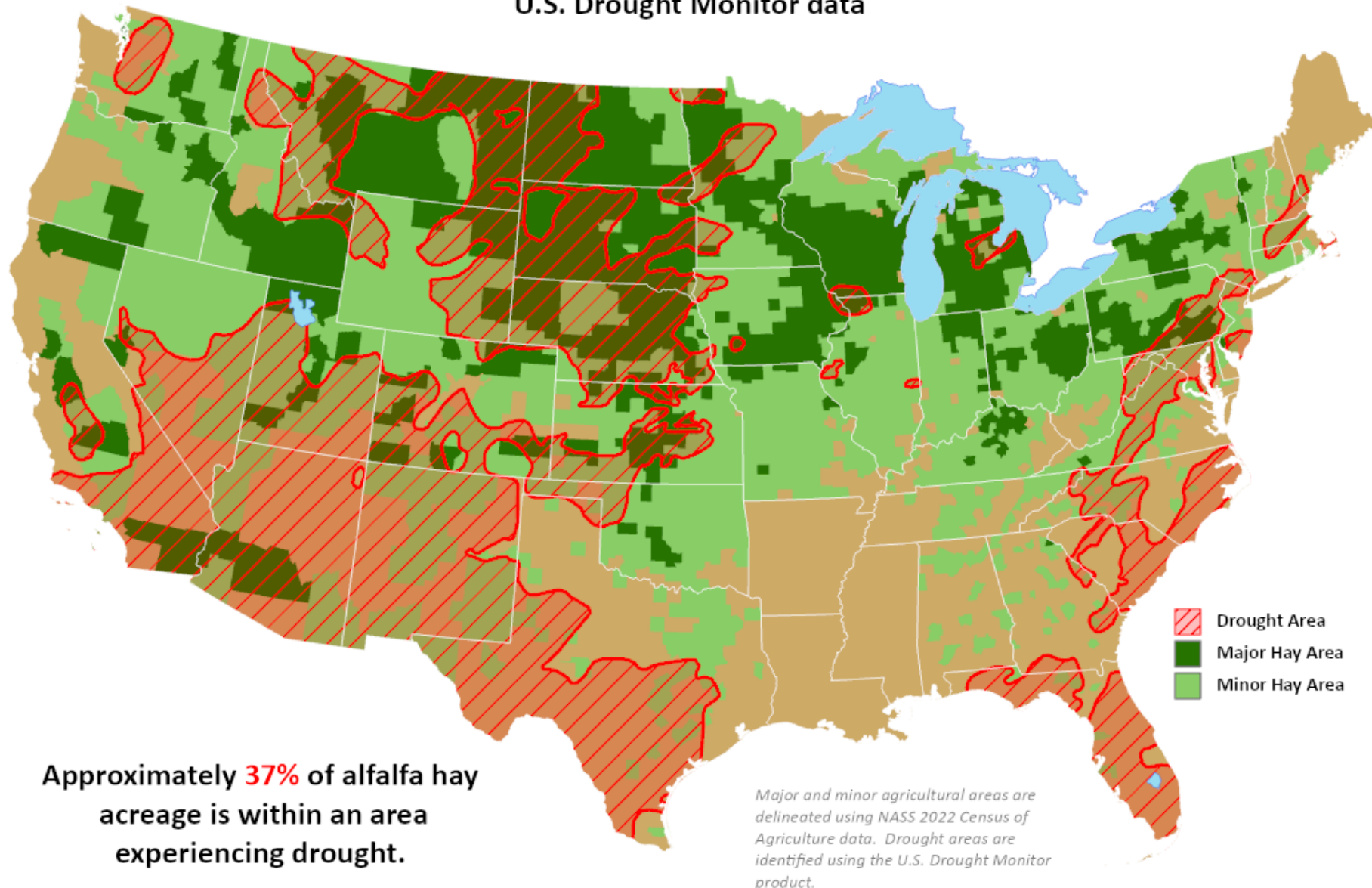


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Alfalfa Hay Areas in Drought

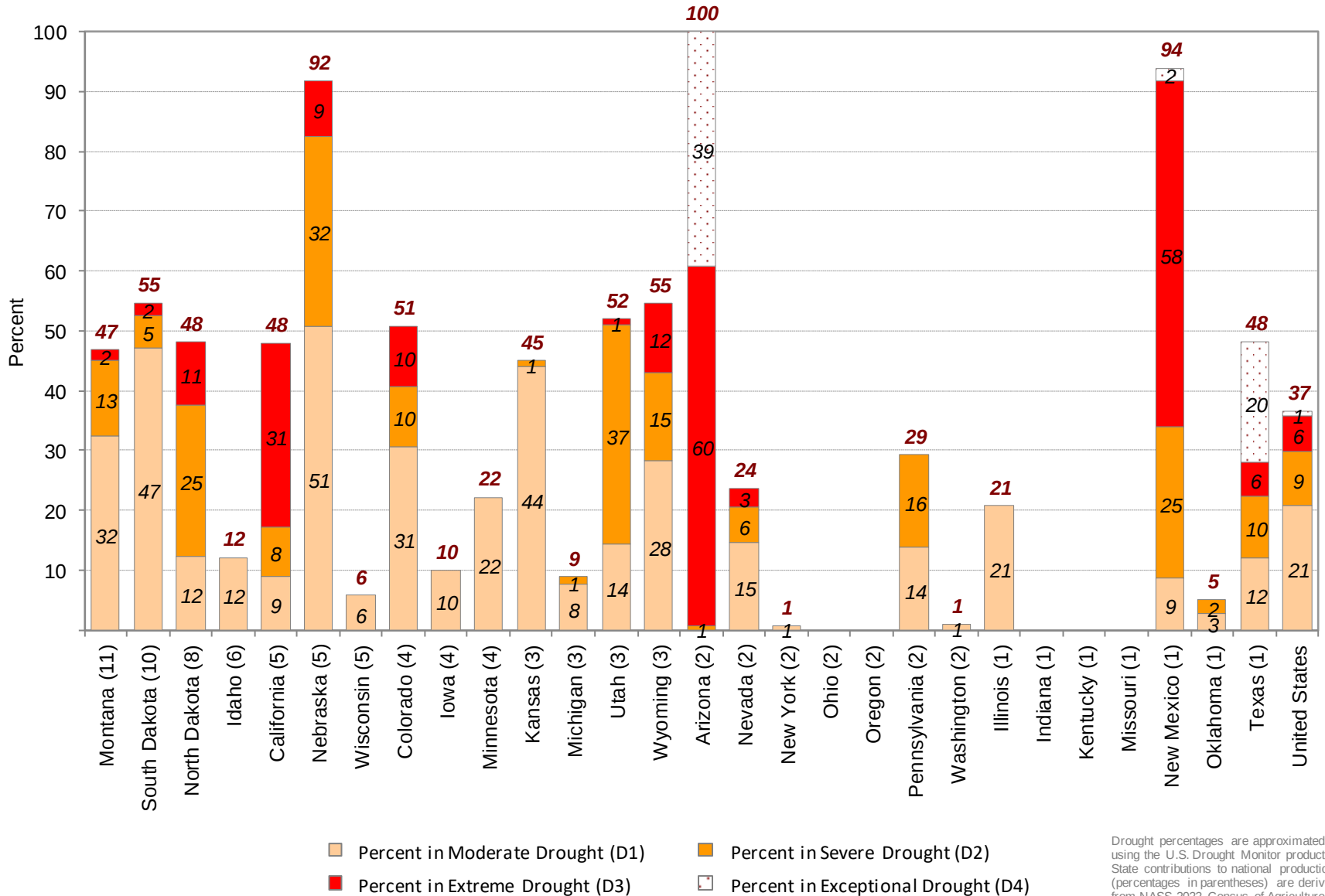
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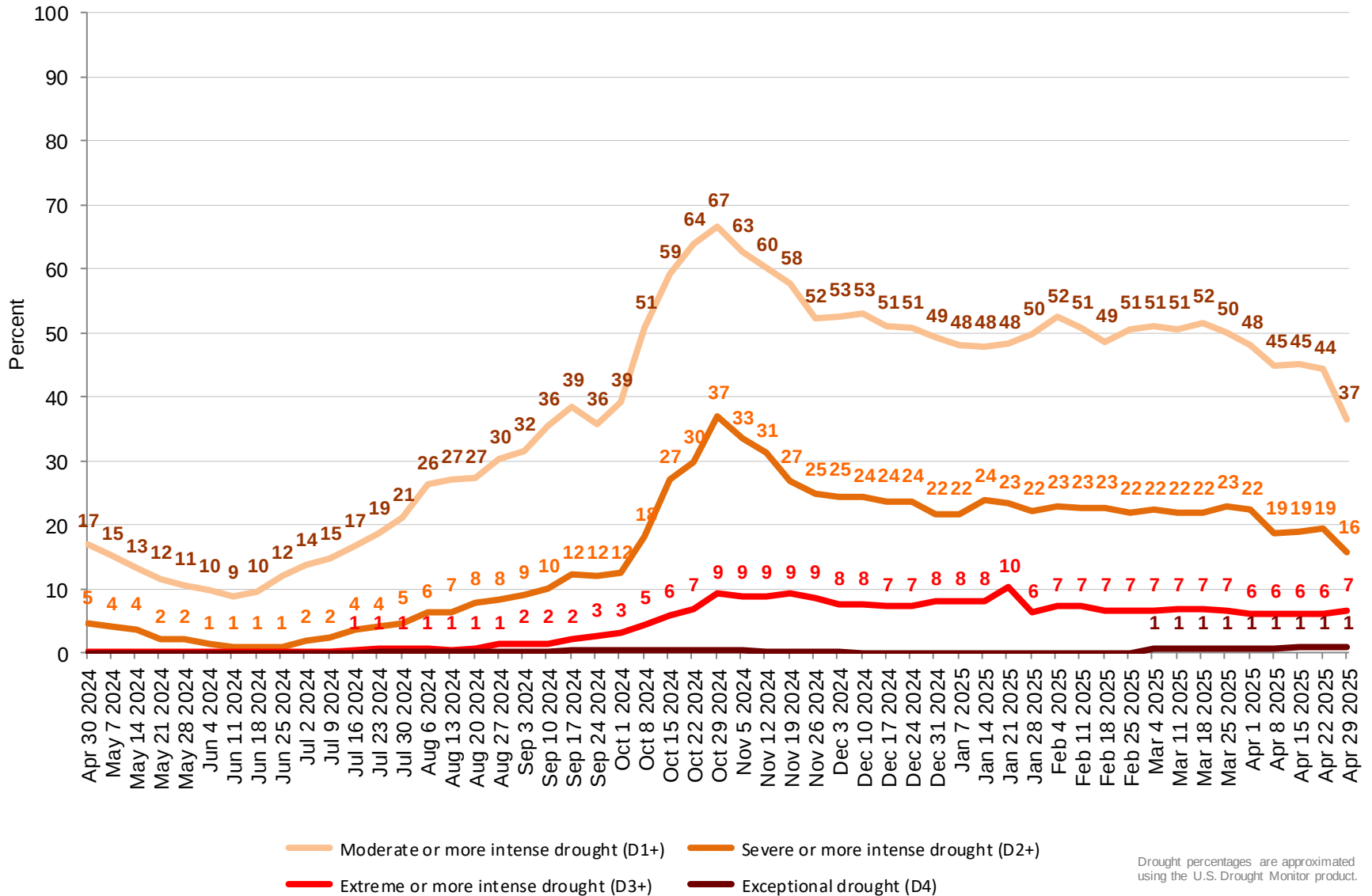


Percent of Alfalfa Hay Located in Drought

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Percent of United States Alfalfa Hay Located in Drought



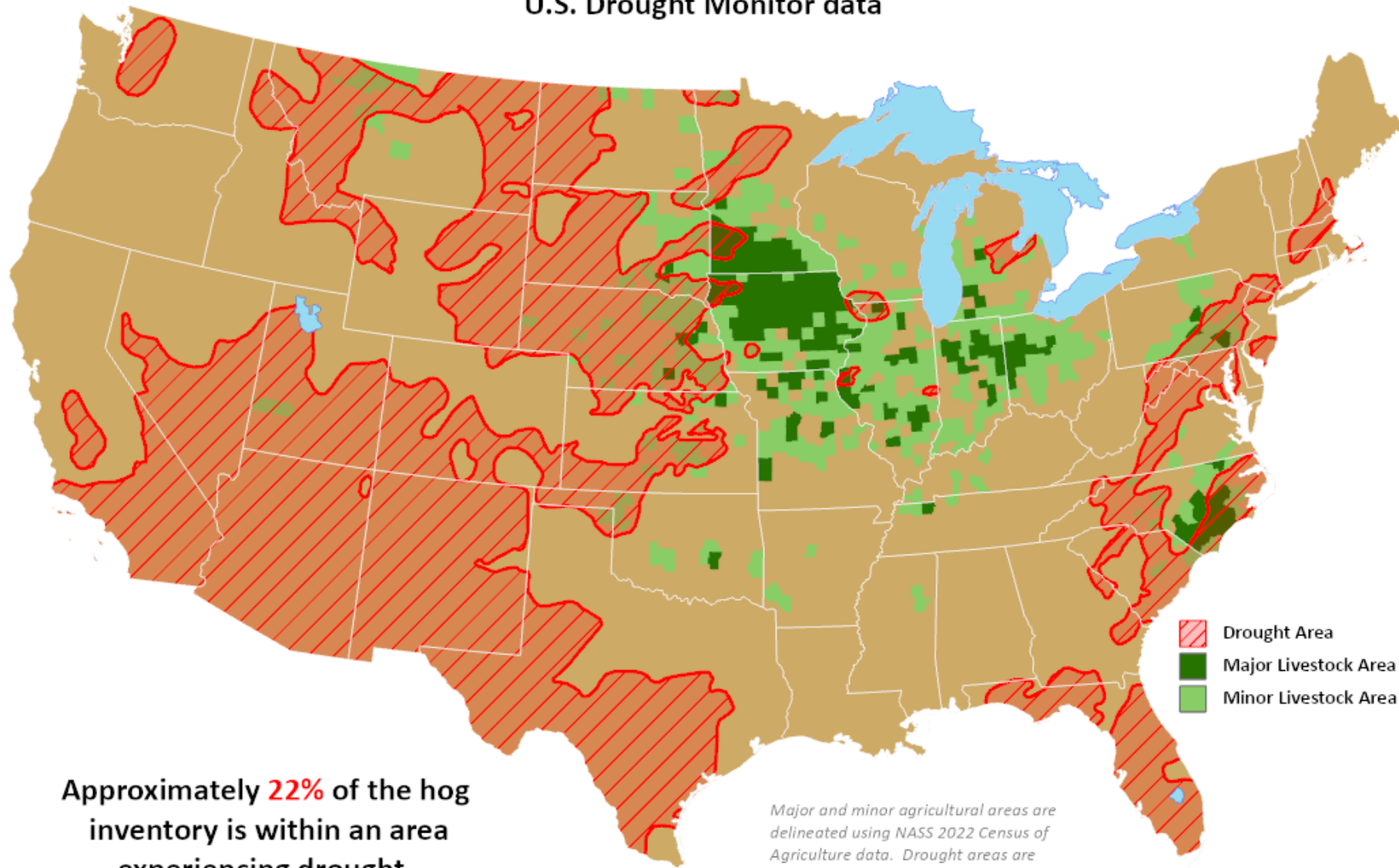


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Hog Areas in Drought

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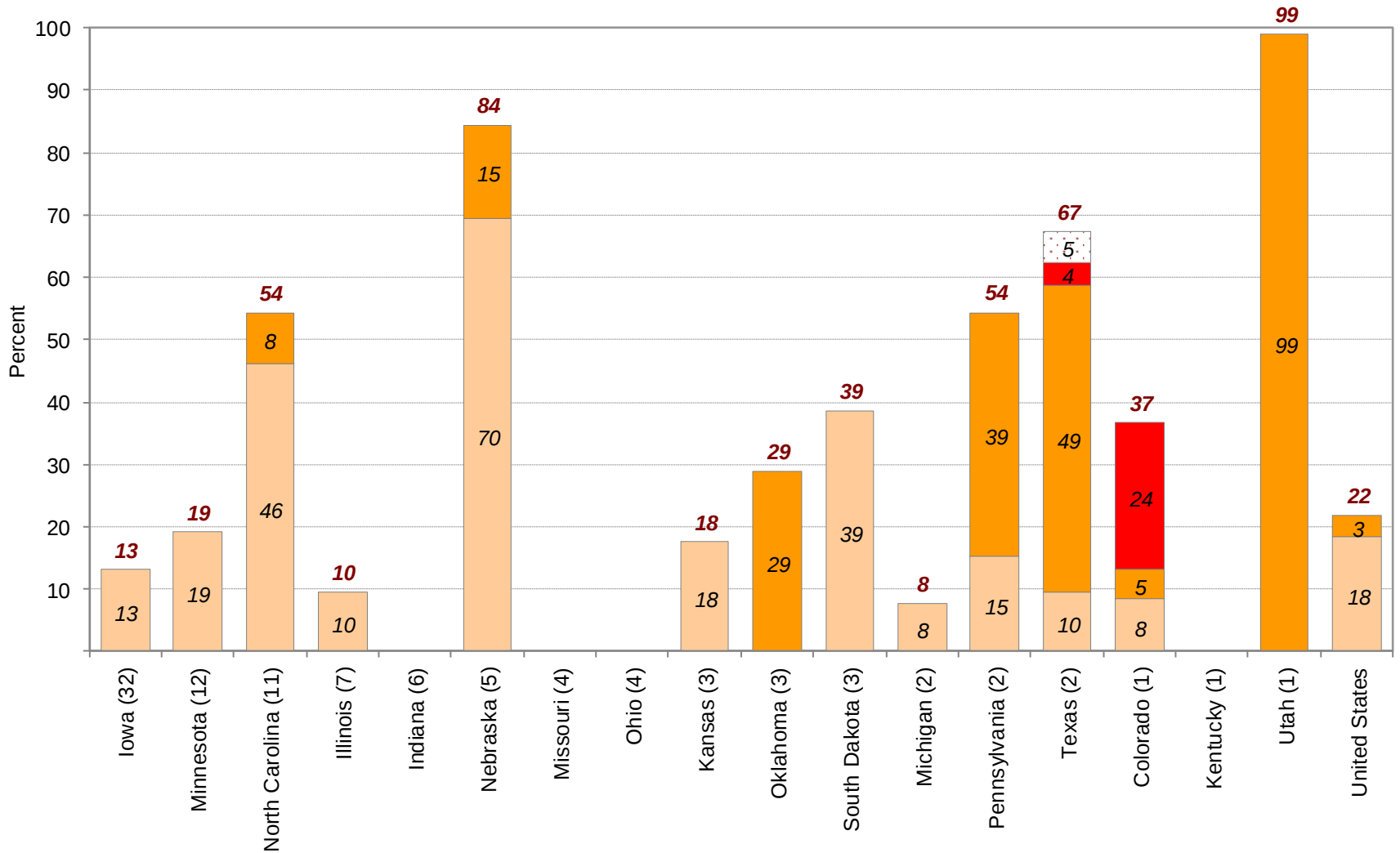


Approximately **22%** of the hog
inventory is within an area
experiencing drought.

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Percent of Hogs Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

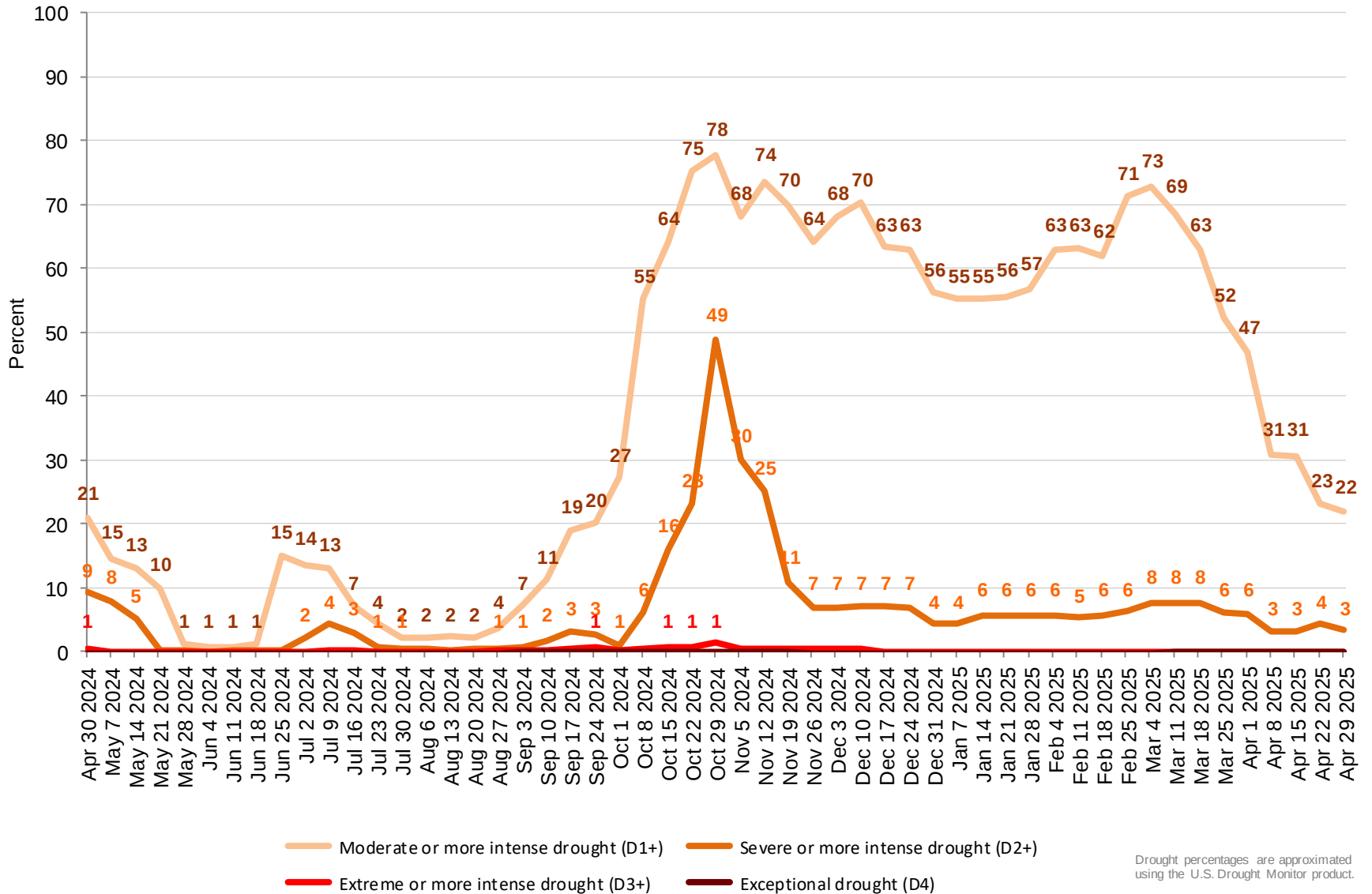
■ Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

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Percent of United States Hogs Located in Drought



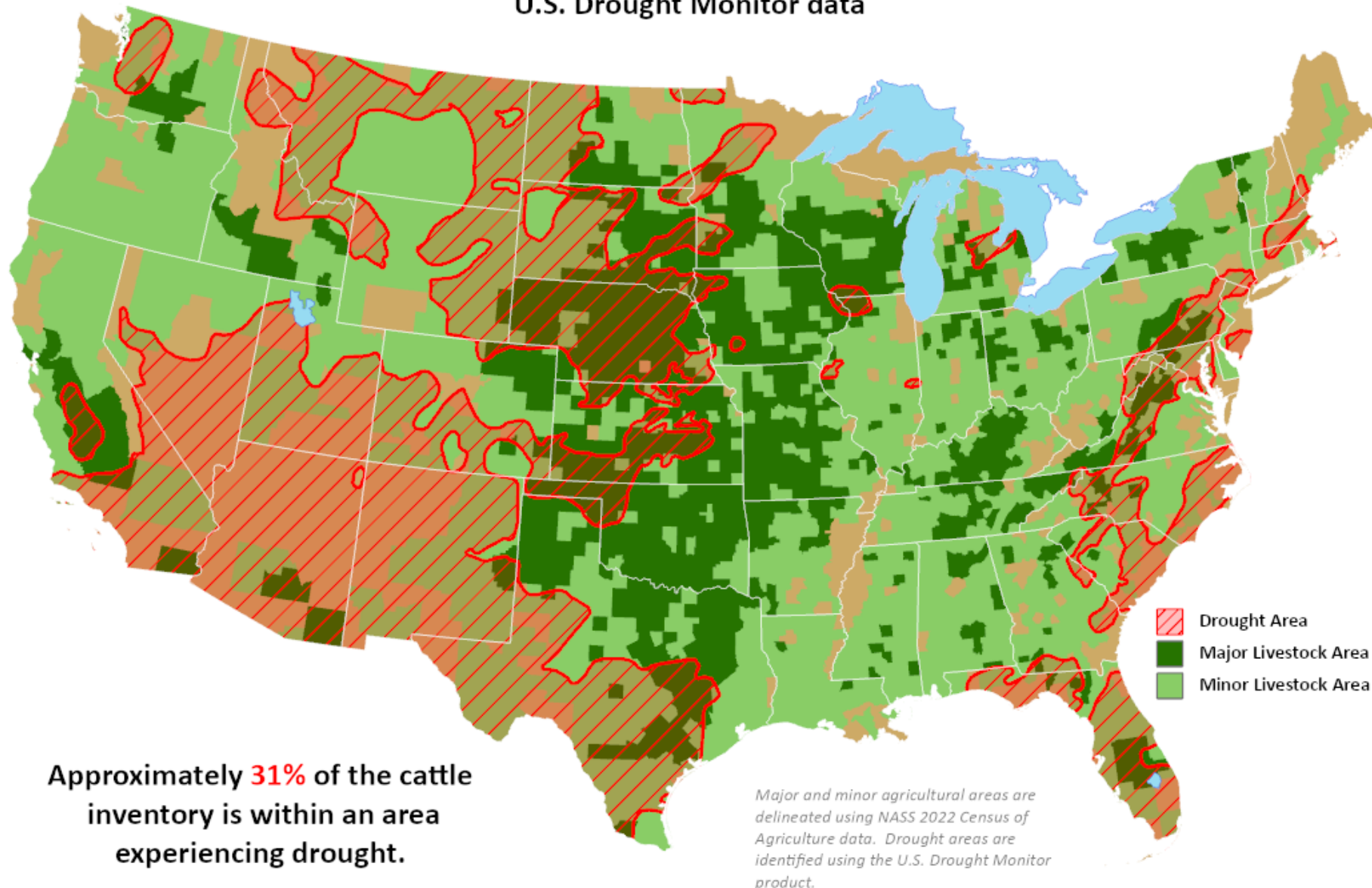


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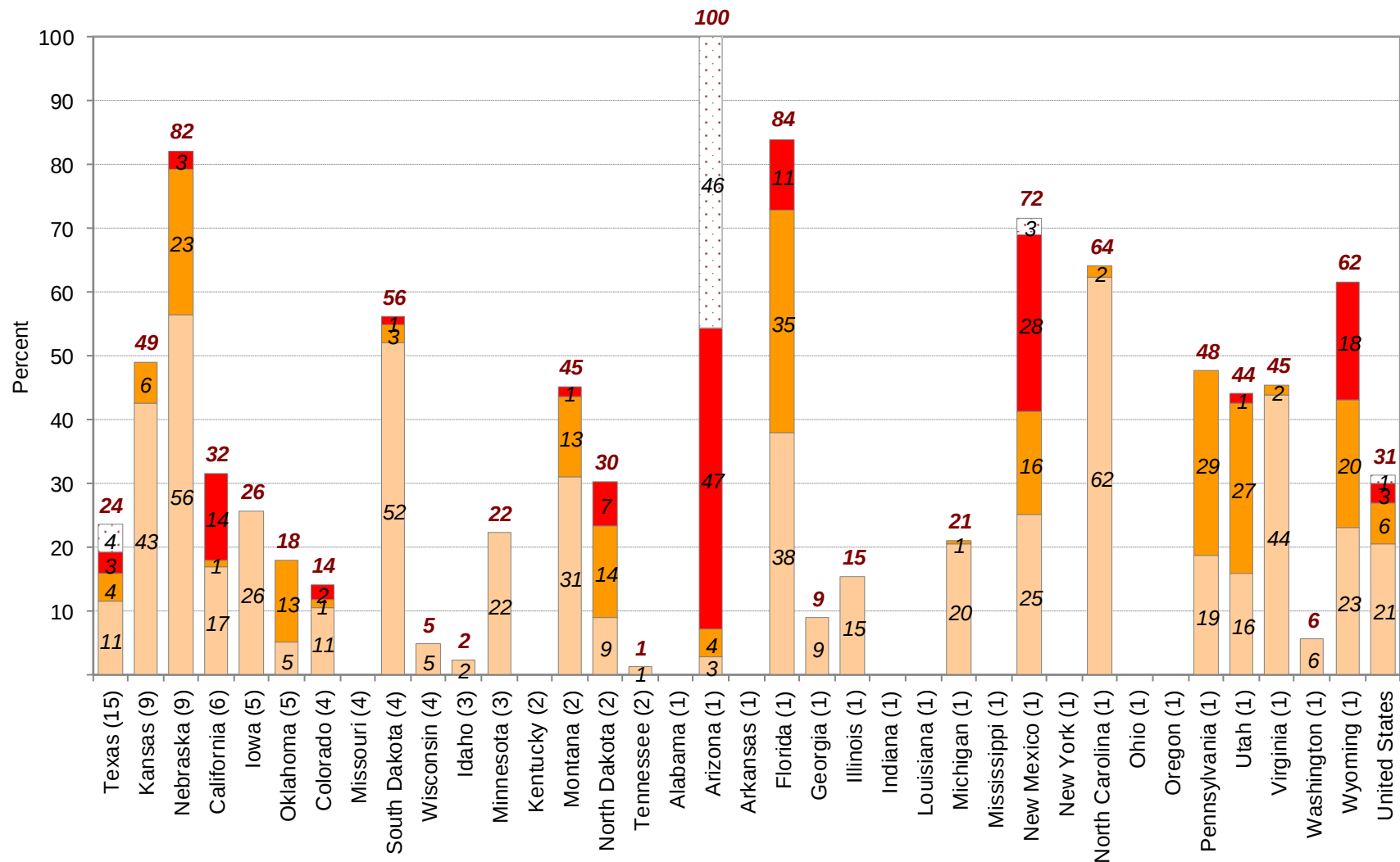
Cattle Areas in Drought

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Percent of Cattle Located in Drought

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Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

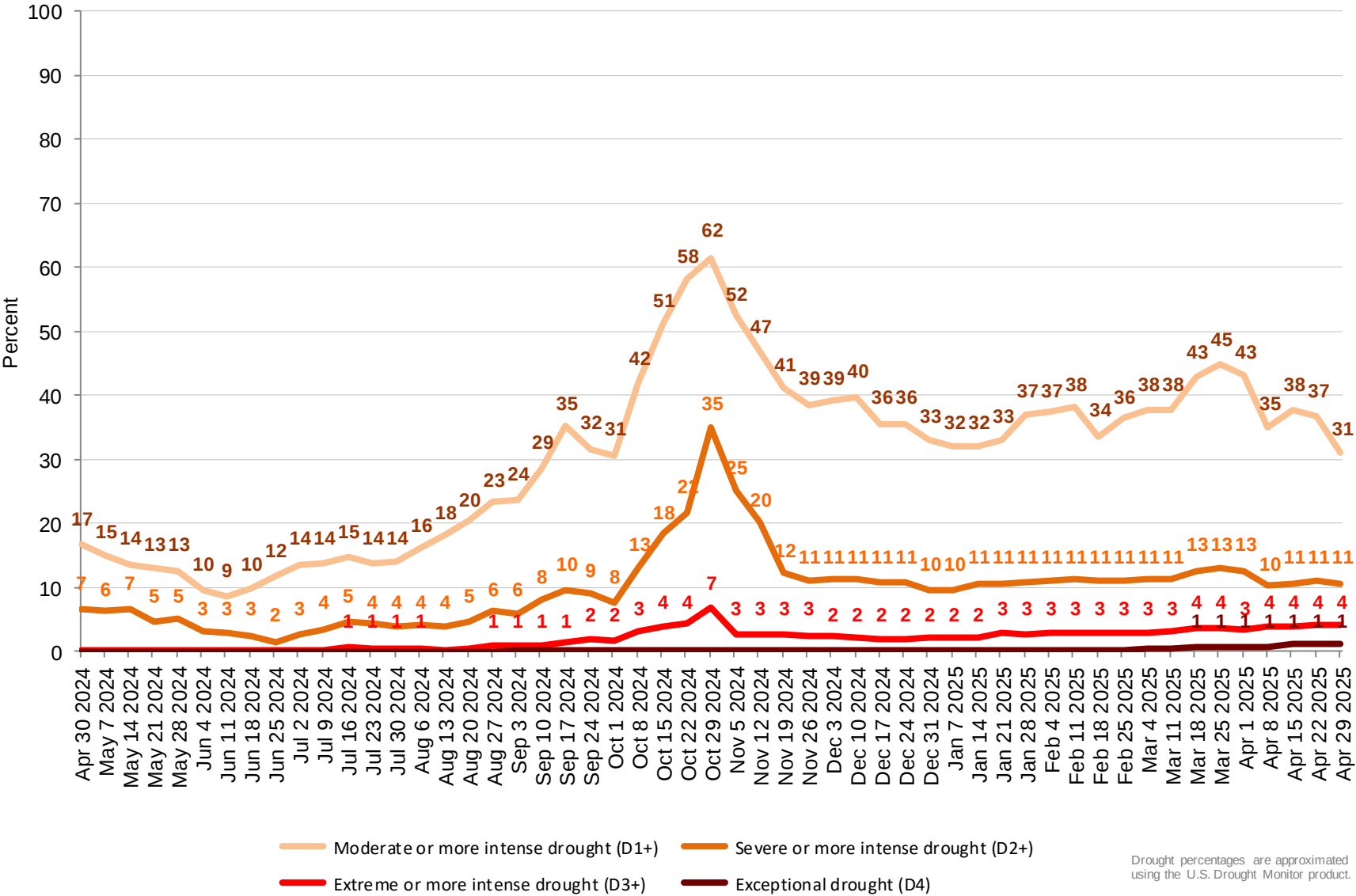
Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

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Percent of United States Cattle Located in Drought



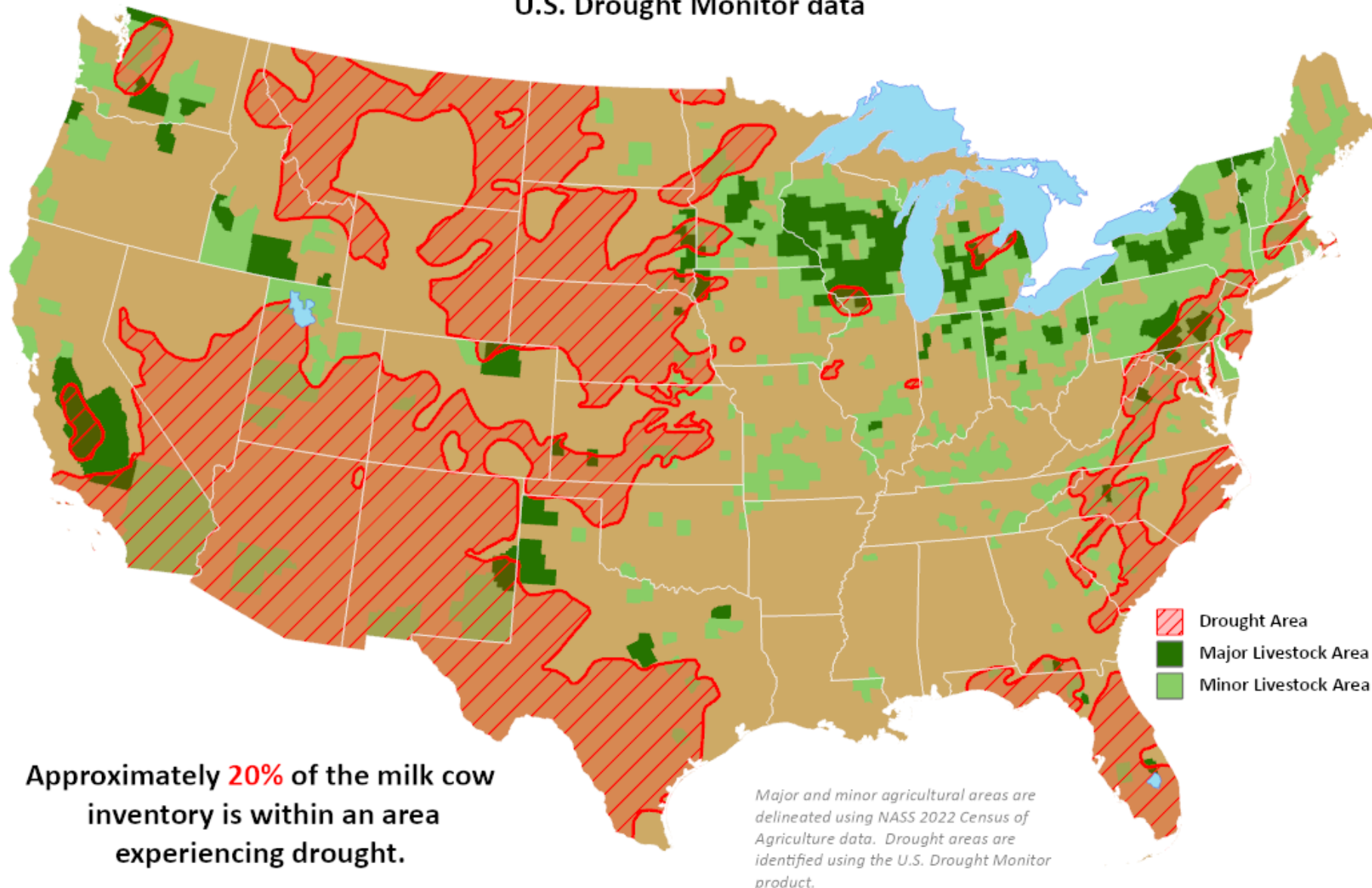


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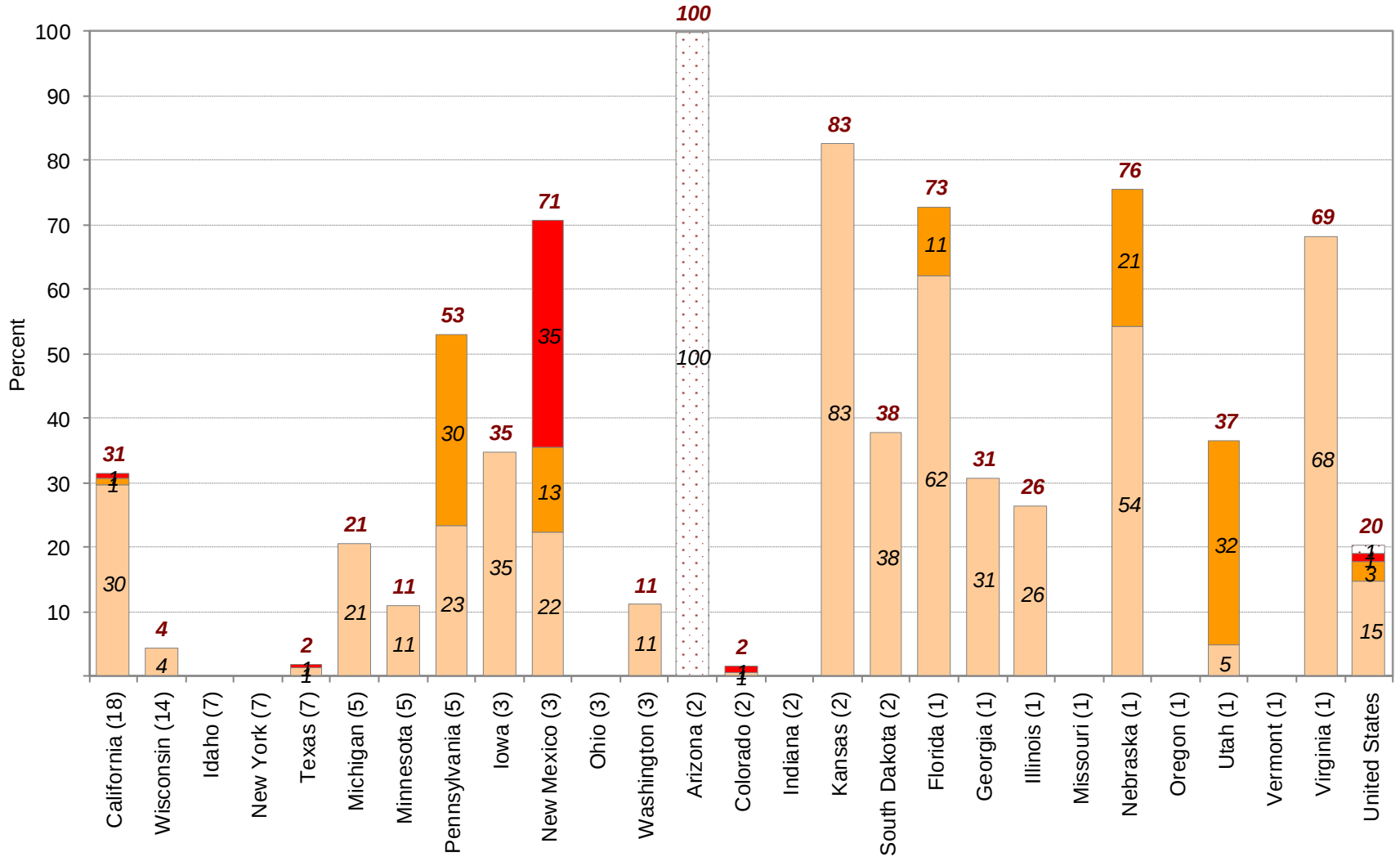
Milk Cow Areas in Drought

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Percent of Milk Cows Located in Drought

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Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

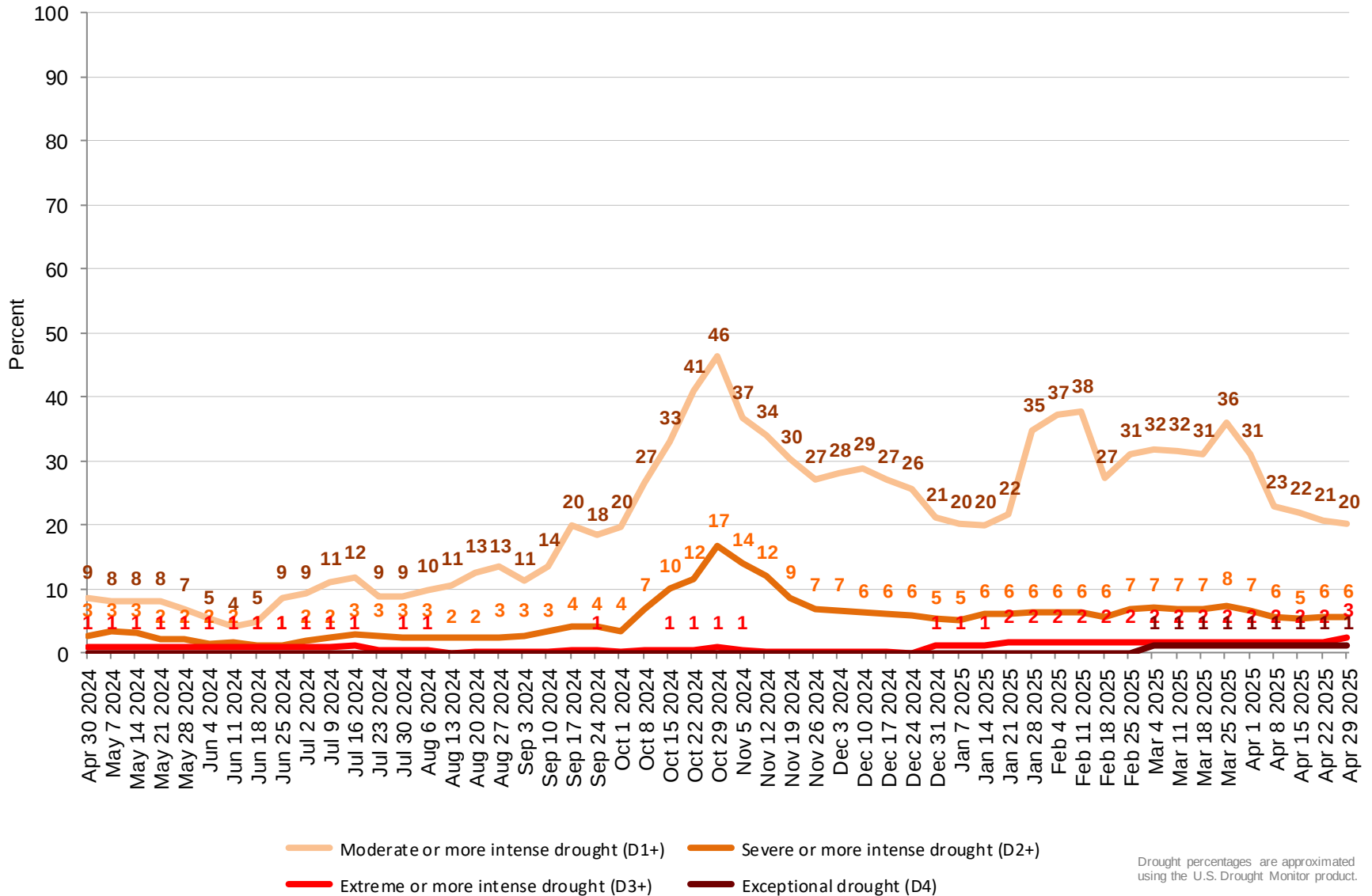
Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

Percent in Extreme Drought (D3)

Percent in Exceptional Drought (D4)

Drought percentages are approximated using the U.S. Drought Monitor product. State contributions to national production (percentages in parentheses) are derived from NASS 2022 Census of Agriculture data.

Percent of United States Milk Cows Located in Drought



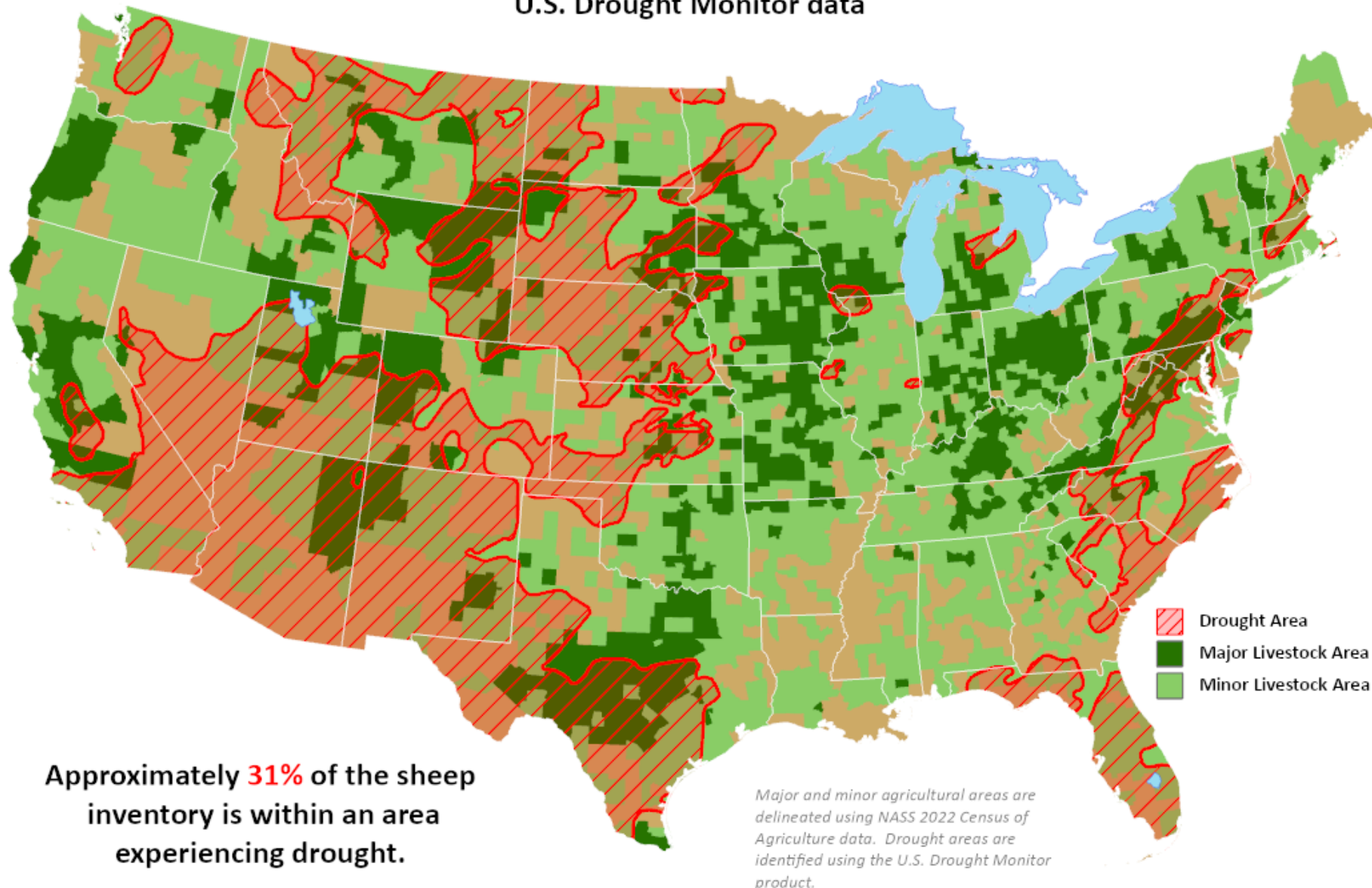


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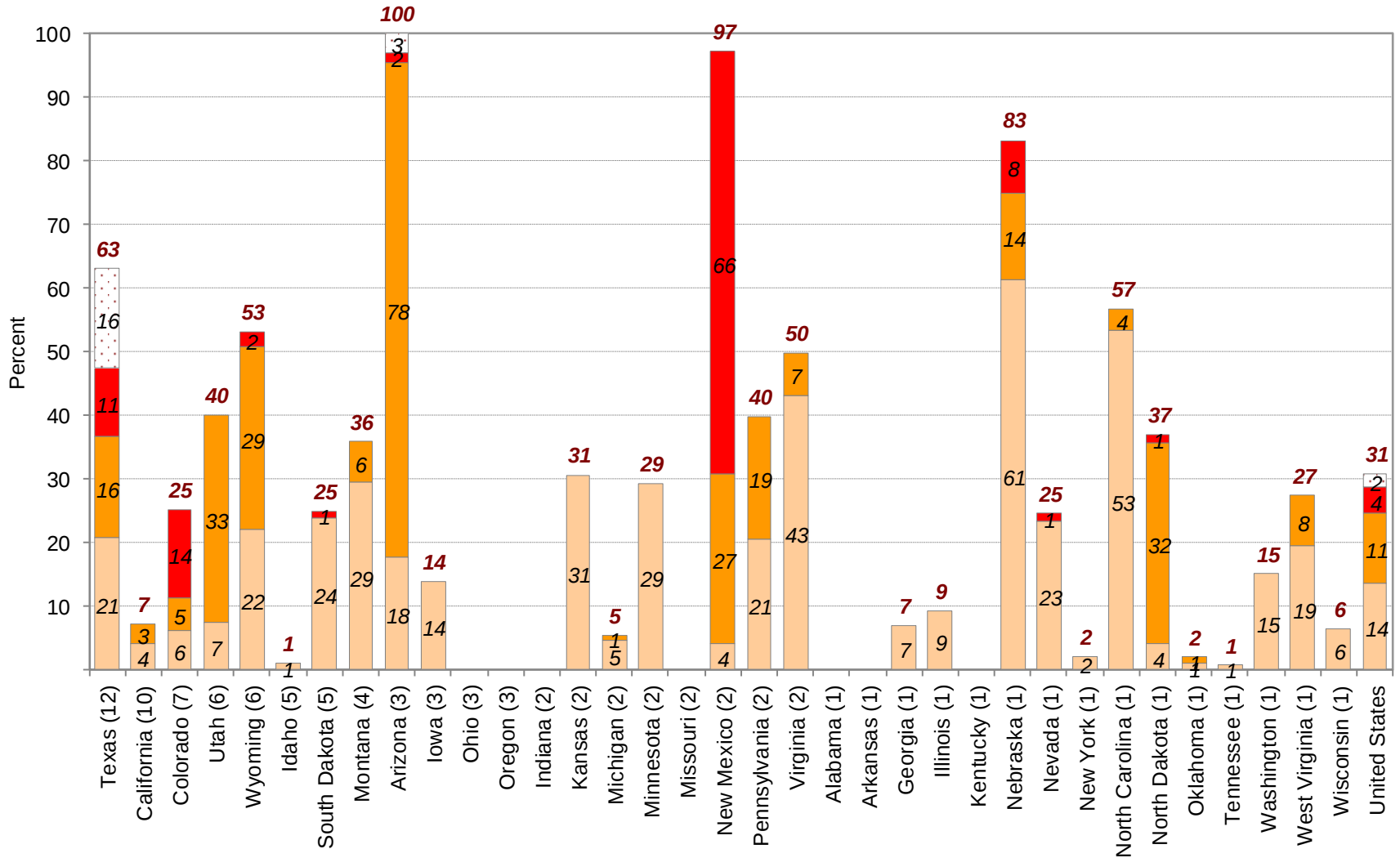
Sheep Areas in Drought

Reflects **April 29, 2025**
U.S. Drought Monitor data



Percent of Sheep Located in Drought

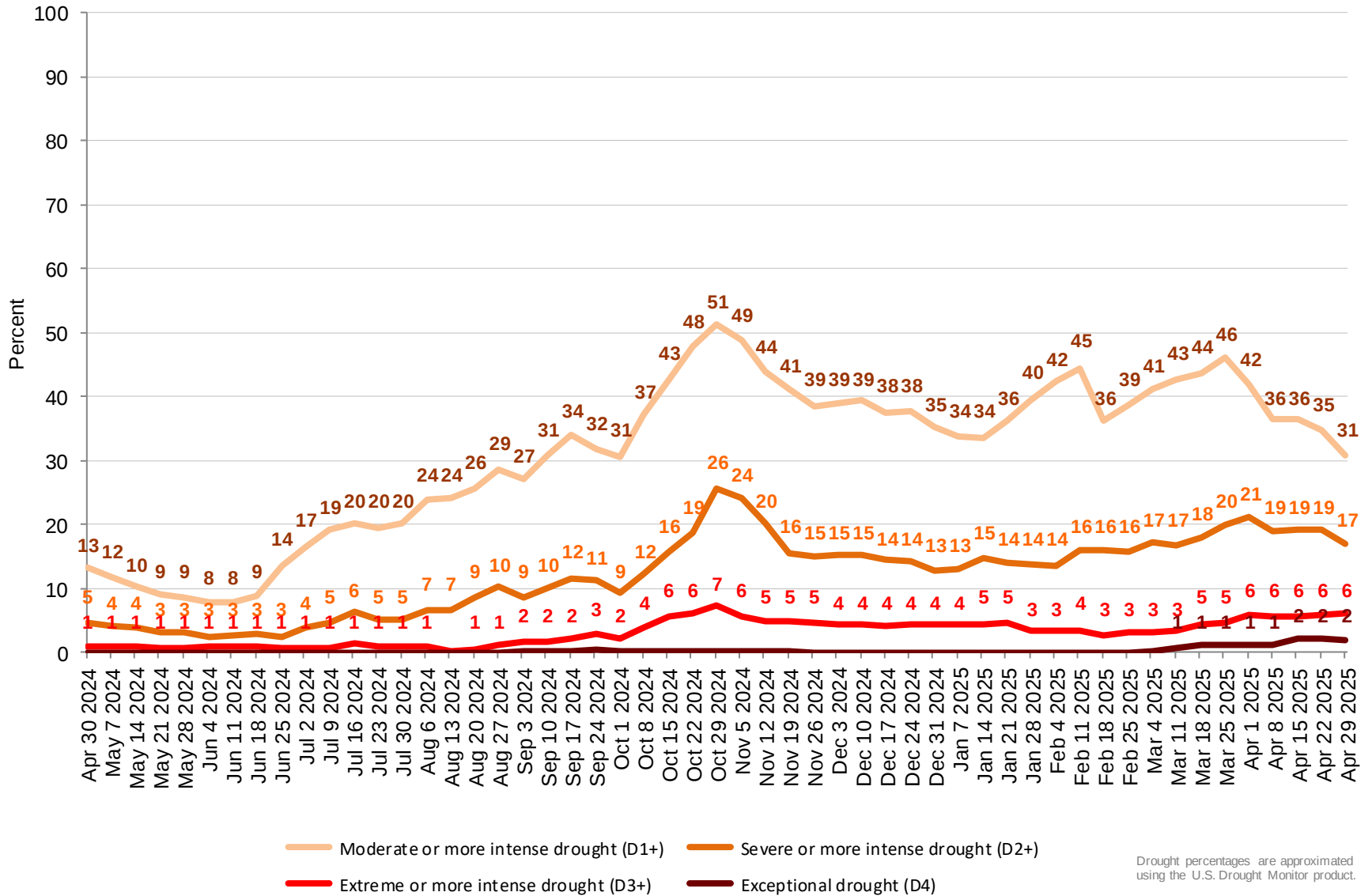
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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)
 ■ Percent in Severe Drought (D2)
 ■ Percent in Extreme Drought (D3)
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Percent of United States Sheep Located in Drought



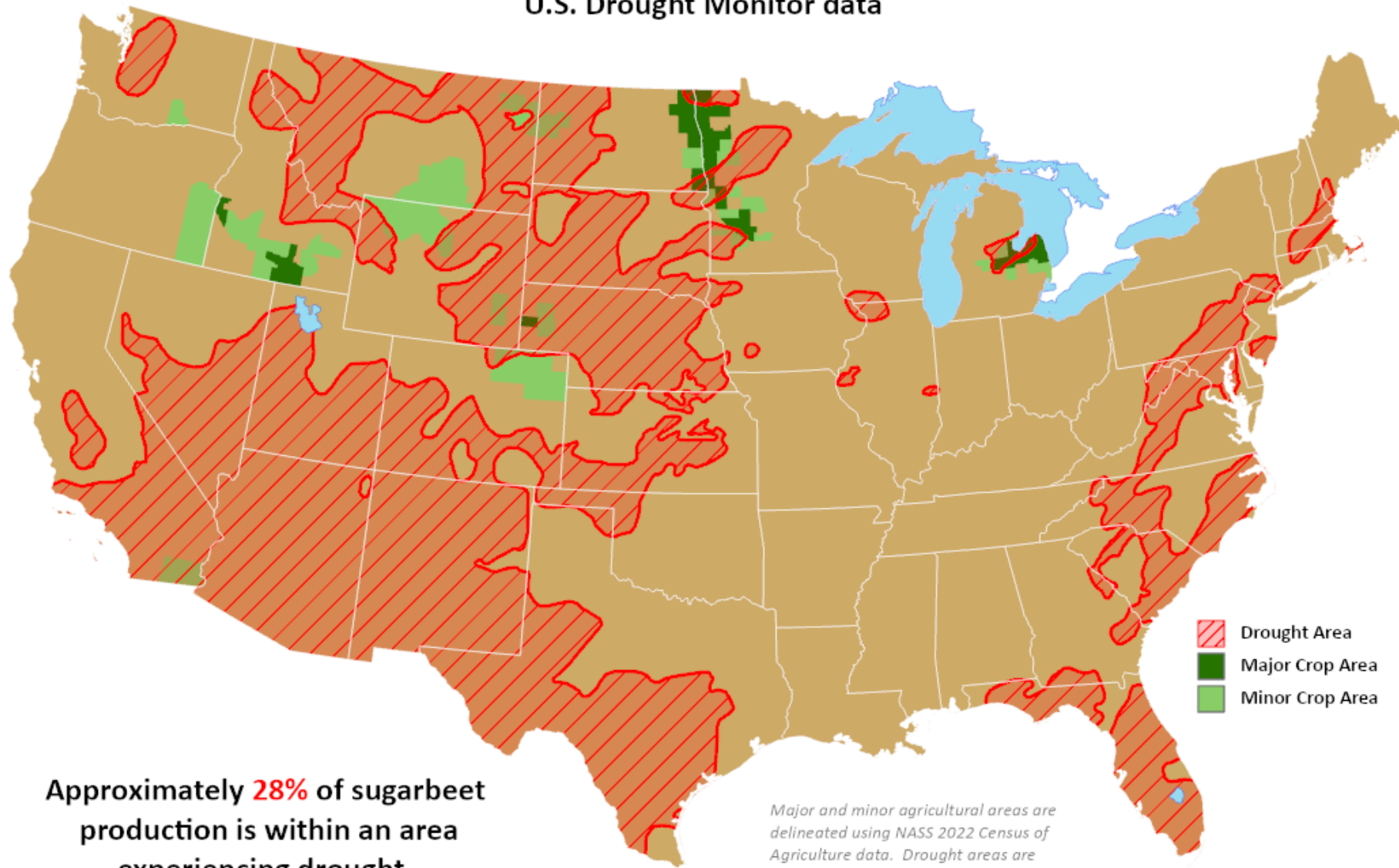


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Sugarbeet Areas in Drought

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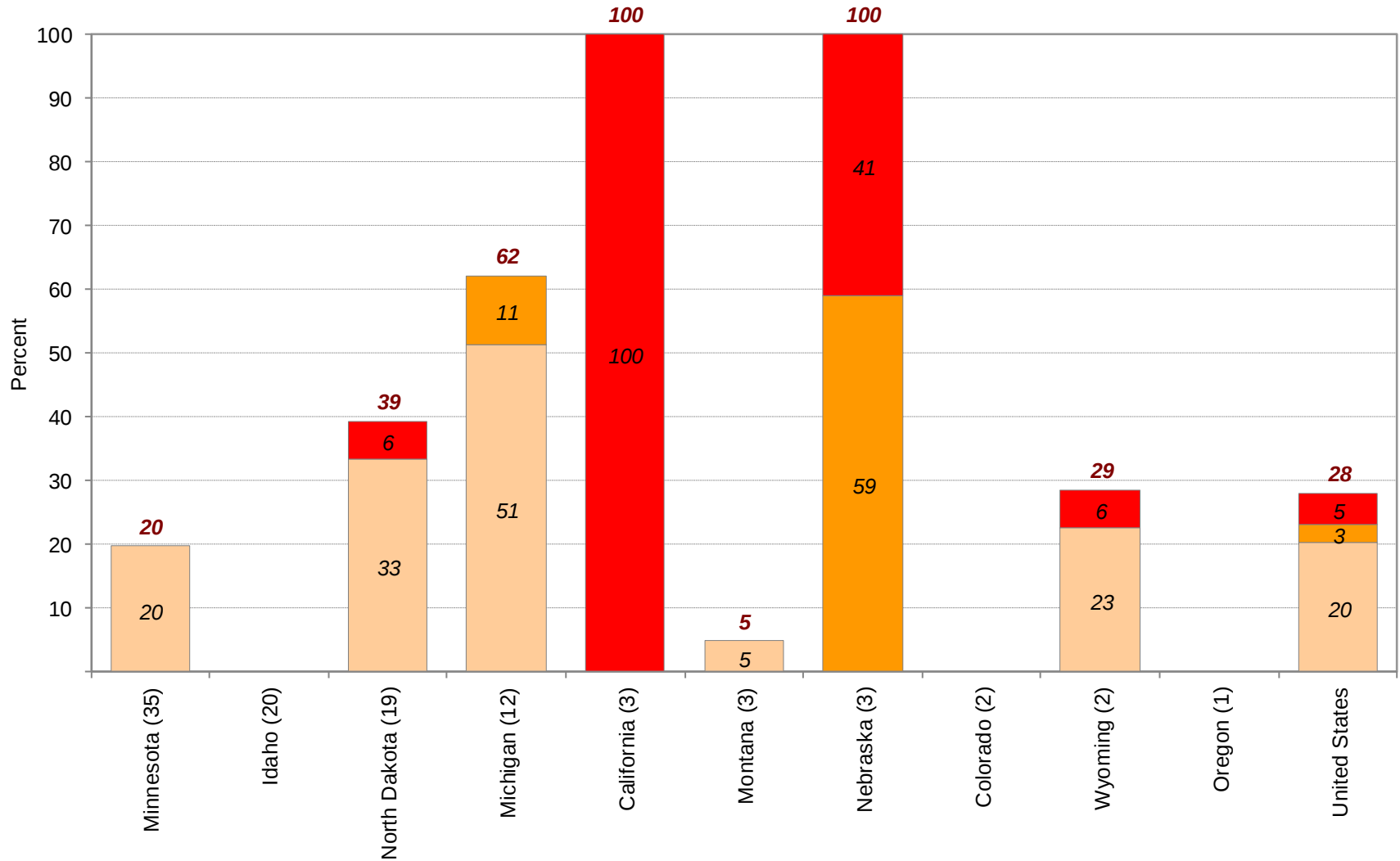


Approximately **28%** of sugarbeet
production is within an area
experiencing drought.

*Major and minor agricultural areas are
delineated using NASS 2022 Census of
Agriculture data. Drought areas are
identified using the U.S. Drought Monitor
product.*

Percent of Sugarbeets Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

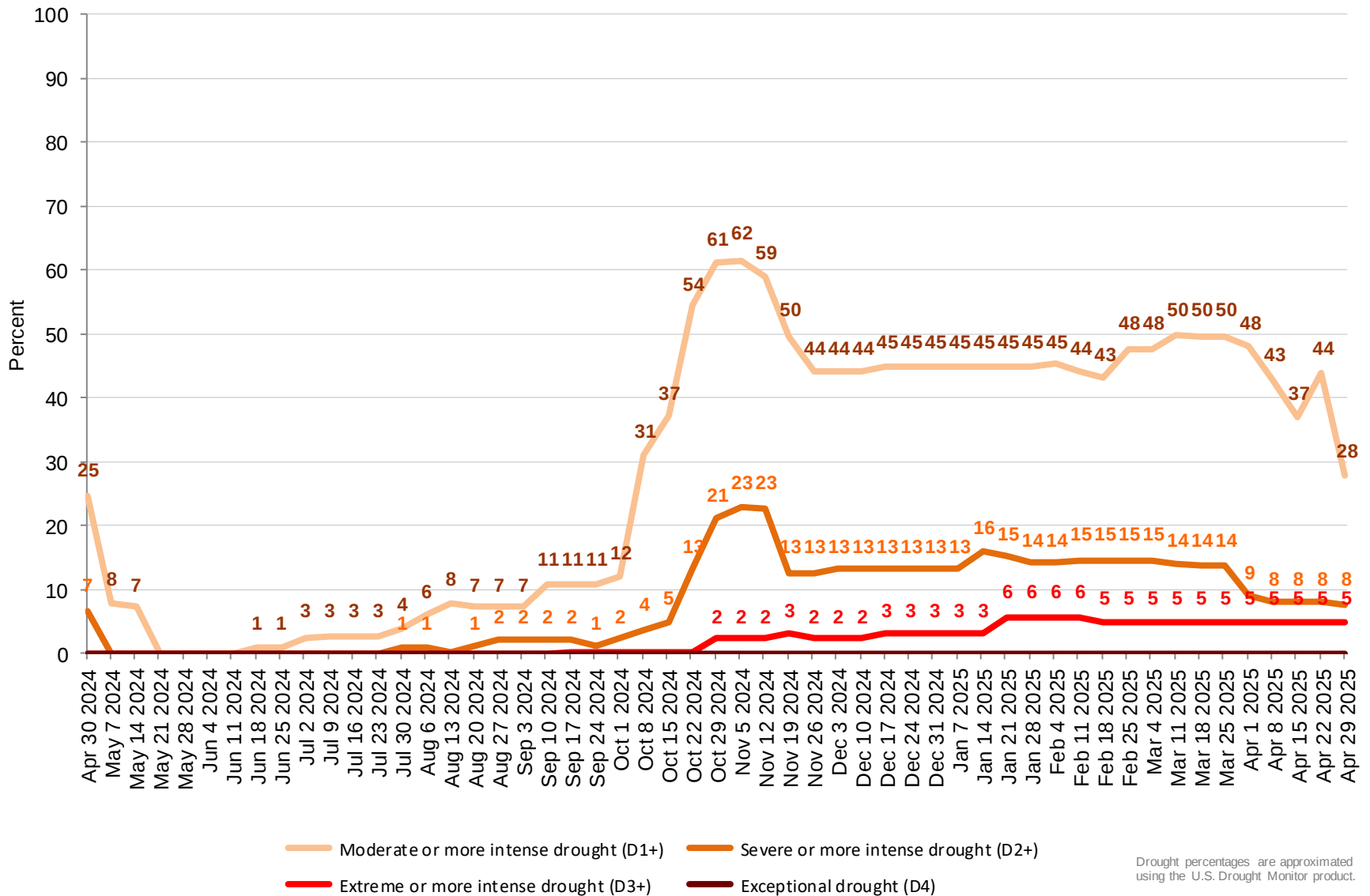
■ Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

■ Percent in Extreme Drought (D3)

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Percent of United States Sugarbeets Located in Drought



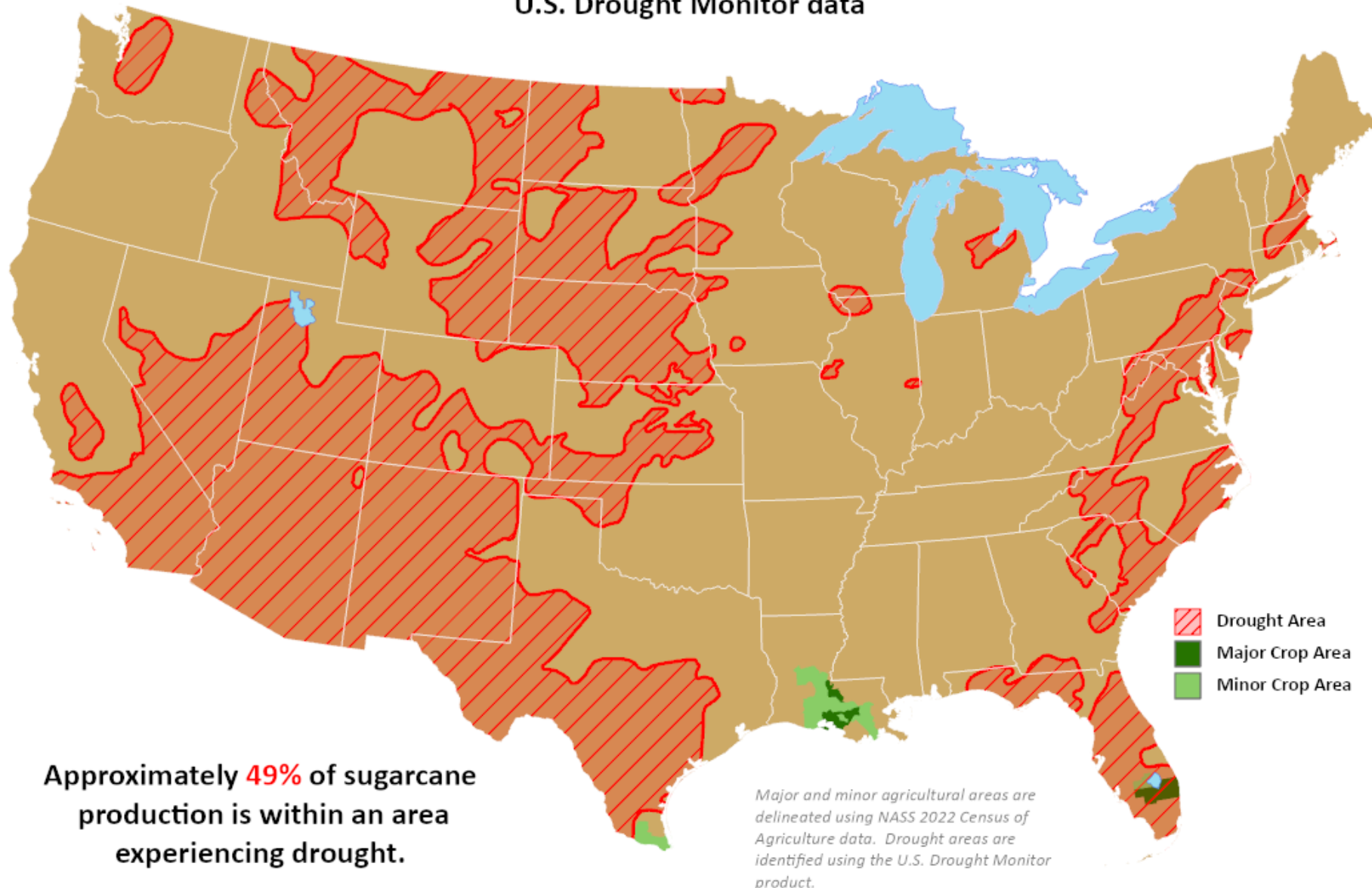


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Sugarcane Areas in Drought

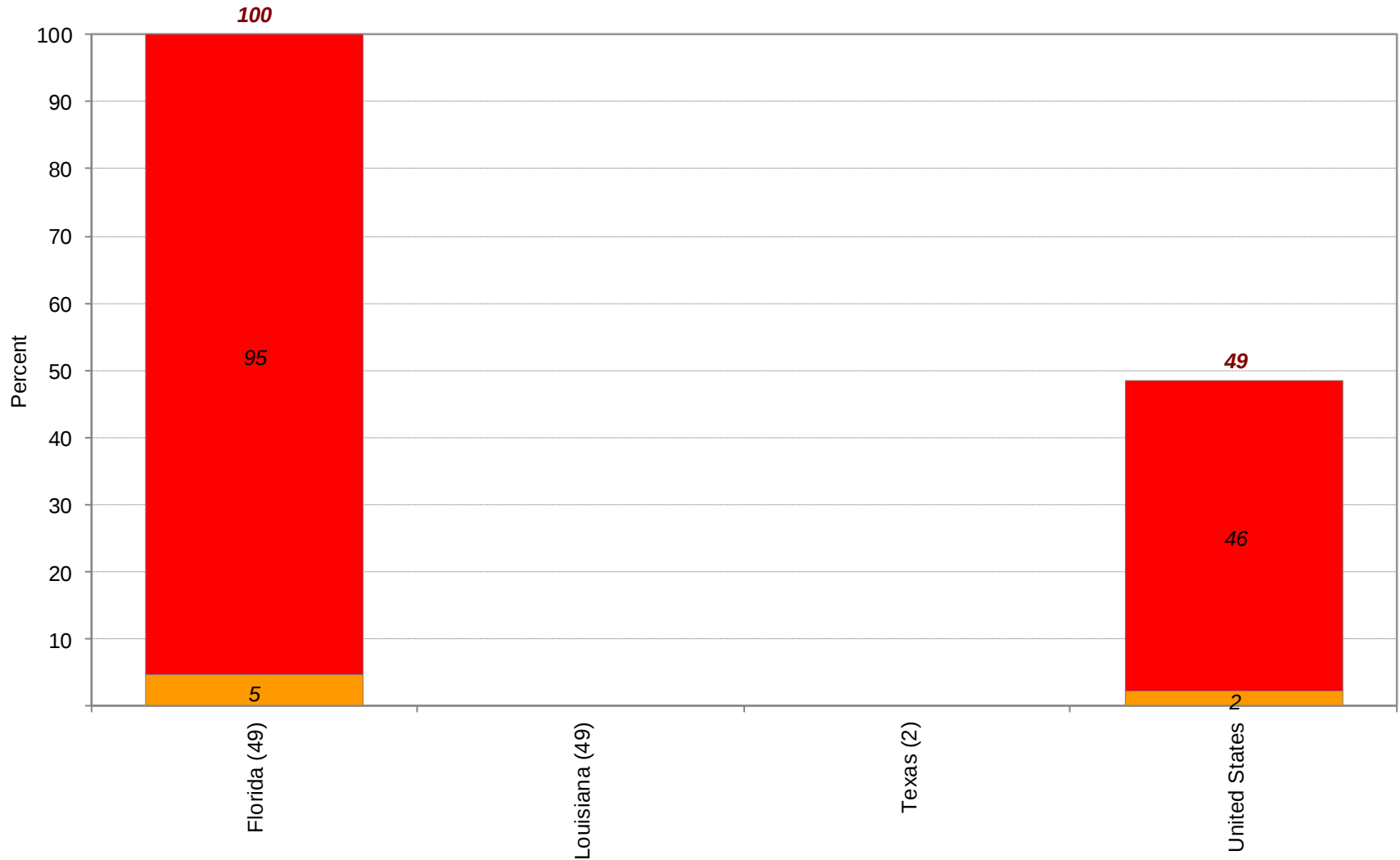
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Percent of Sugarcane Located in Drought

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■ Percent in Moderate Drought (D1)

■ Percent in Severe Drought (D2)

■ Percent in Extreme Drought (D3)

■ Percent in Exceptional Drought (D4)

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Percent of United States Sugarcane Located in Drought

