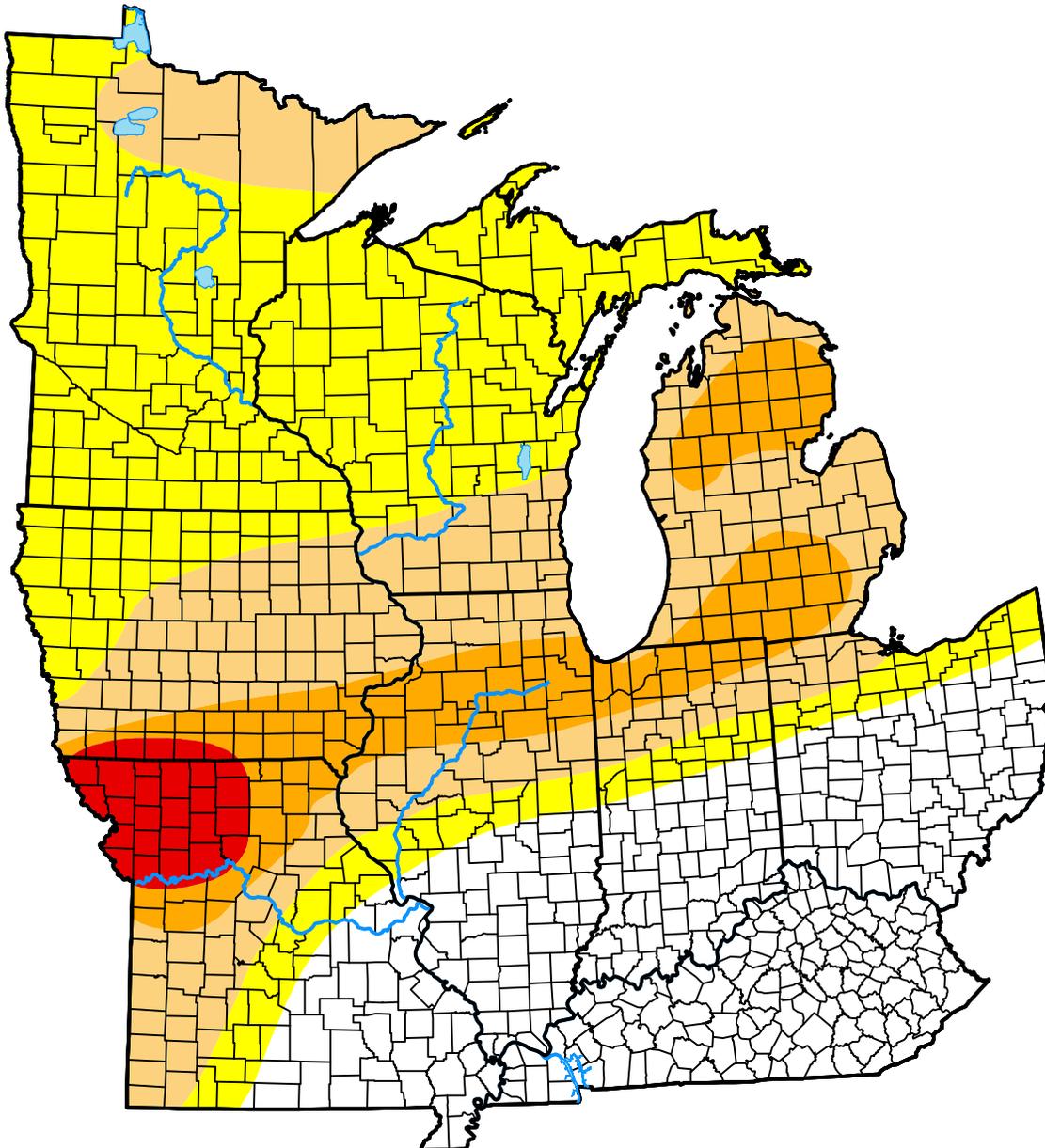


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	27.64	34.96	23.81	10.80	2.80	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-11-2003</i>	23.57	38.41	23.09	11.96	2.98	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-19-2002</i>	68.67	14.89	15.07	1.37	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	51.12	24.72	18.65	4.30	1.21	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	57.19	25.80	14.16	2.85	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-19-2002</i>	80.96	18.92	0.13	0.00	0.00	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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