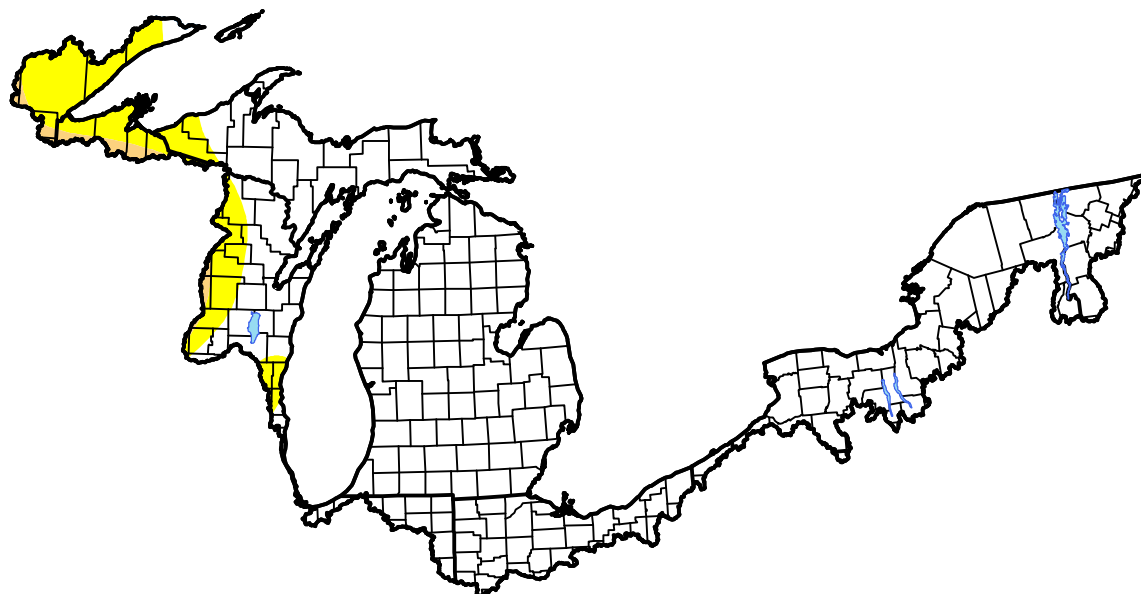


U.S. Drought Monitor

Great Lakes Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	88.10	11.90	1.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-18-2003</i>	87.96	12.04	1.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-25-2003</i>	35.18	64.82	36.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	39.78	60.22	32.78	2.53	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	45.49	54.51	23.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-26-2002</i>	47.09	52.91	35.63	3.13	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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