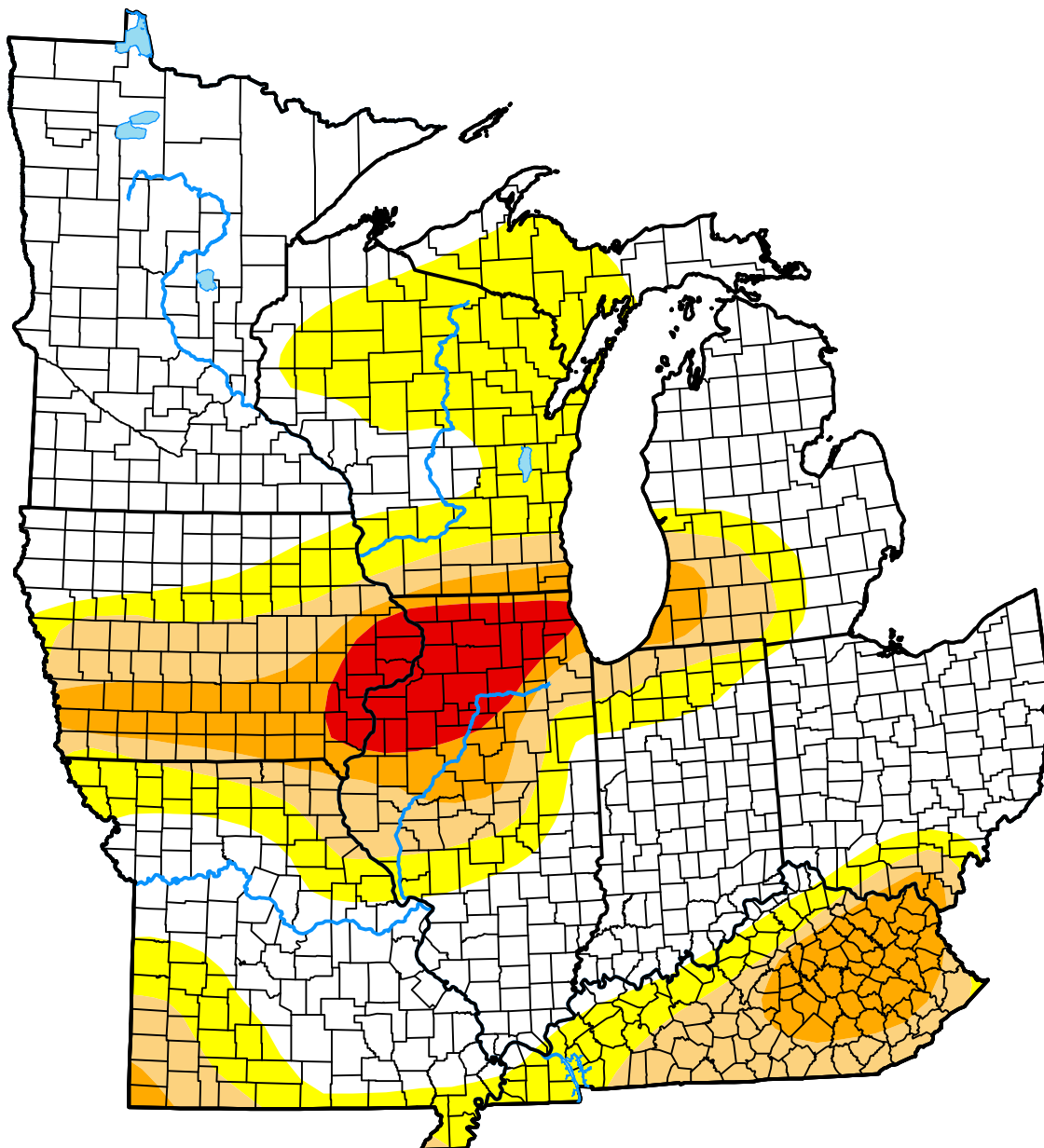


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	55.67	20.70	12.05	8.14	3.44	0.00
Last Week <i>12-13-2005</i>	56.96	20.03	11.59	7.98	3.44	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2005</i>	48.93	19.40	16.90	11.91	2.86	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	88.70	11.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.84	18.06	16.83	10.04	2.22	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2004</i>	94.79	5.21	0.00	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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