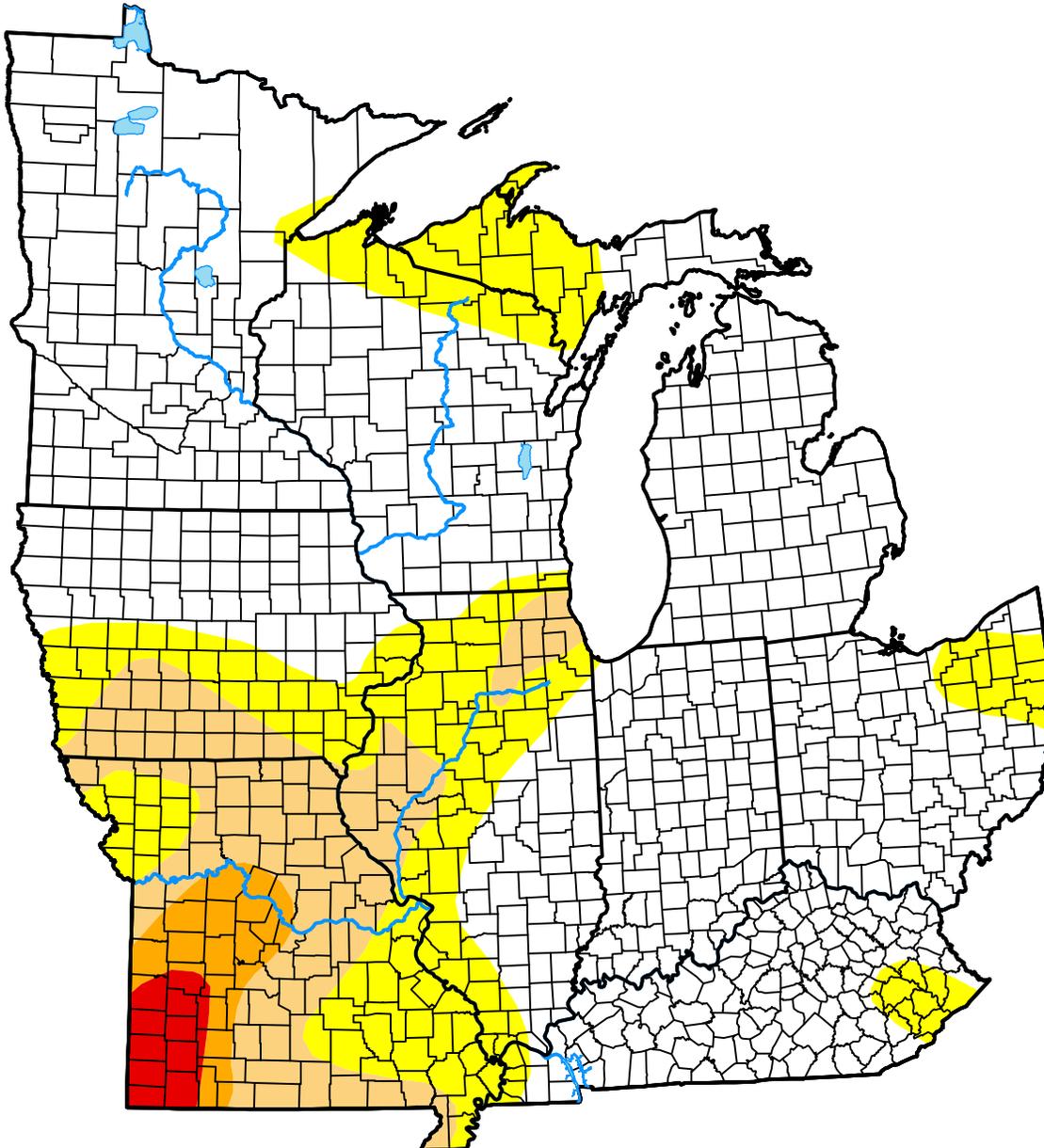


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	68.12	31.88	13.92	3.60	1.31	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-11-2006</i>	71.57	28.43	15.69	2.29	0.71	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-17-2006</i>	59.48	40.52	25.06	10.37	3.48	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.15	41.85	22.75	9.61	3.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.84	47.16	29.10	12.27	2.22	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-19-2005</i>	81.13	18.87	0.00	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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