

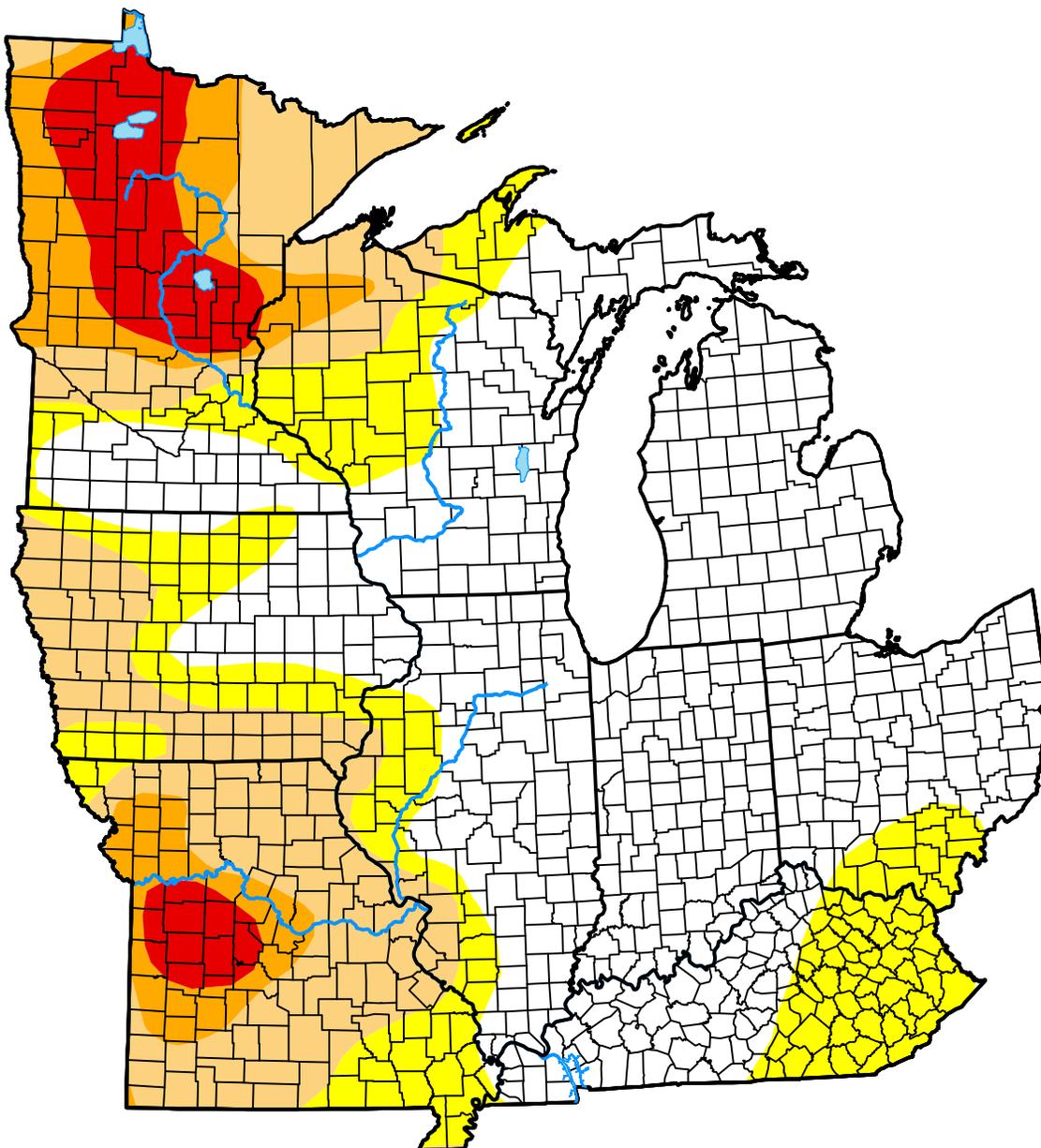
# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 50.13 | 18.03 | 18.29 | 7.28  | 6.27 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-08-2006</i>              | 48.74 | 16.83 | 19.19 | 10.25 | 4.98 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-16-2006</i>           | 73.81 | 19.68 | 6.51  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 58.15 | 19.10 | 13.13 | 6.61  | 3.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 52.84 | 18.06 | 16.83 | 10.04 | 2.22 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-16-2005</i>           | 39.66 | 22.69 | 23.40 | 10.00 | 4.25 | 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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