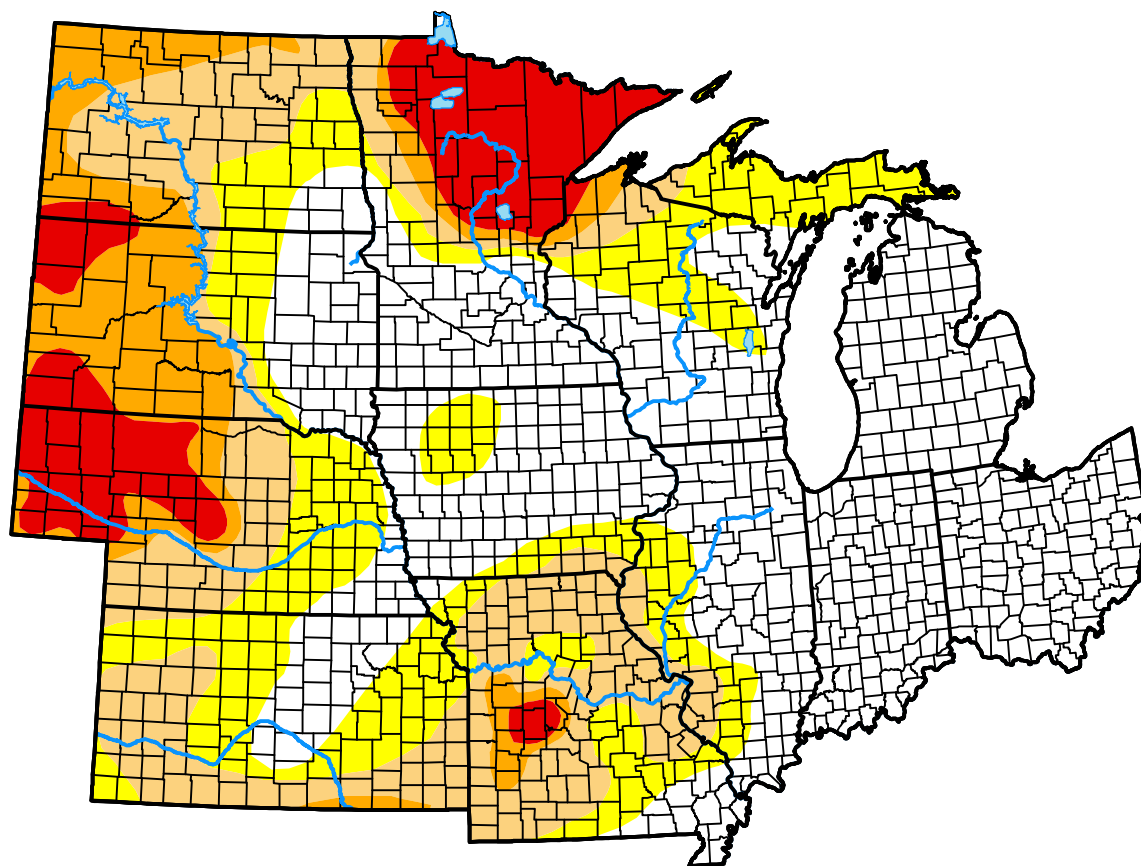


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.88	19.28	18.69	9.42	9.73	0.00
Last Week <i>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	20.39	17.96	9.27	9.88	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-04-2006</i>	35.36	30.46	23.30	8.45	2.43	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.32	22.61	13.36	3.75	1.96	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	20.39	17.96	9.27	9.88	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-04-2005</i>	54.02	22.96	17.15	3.85	2.02	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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