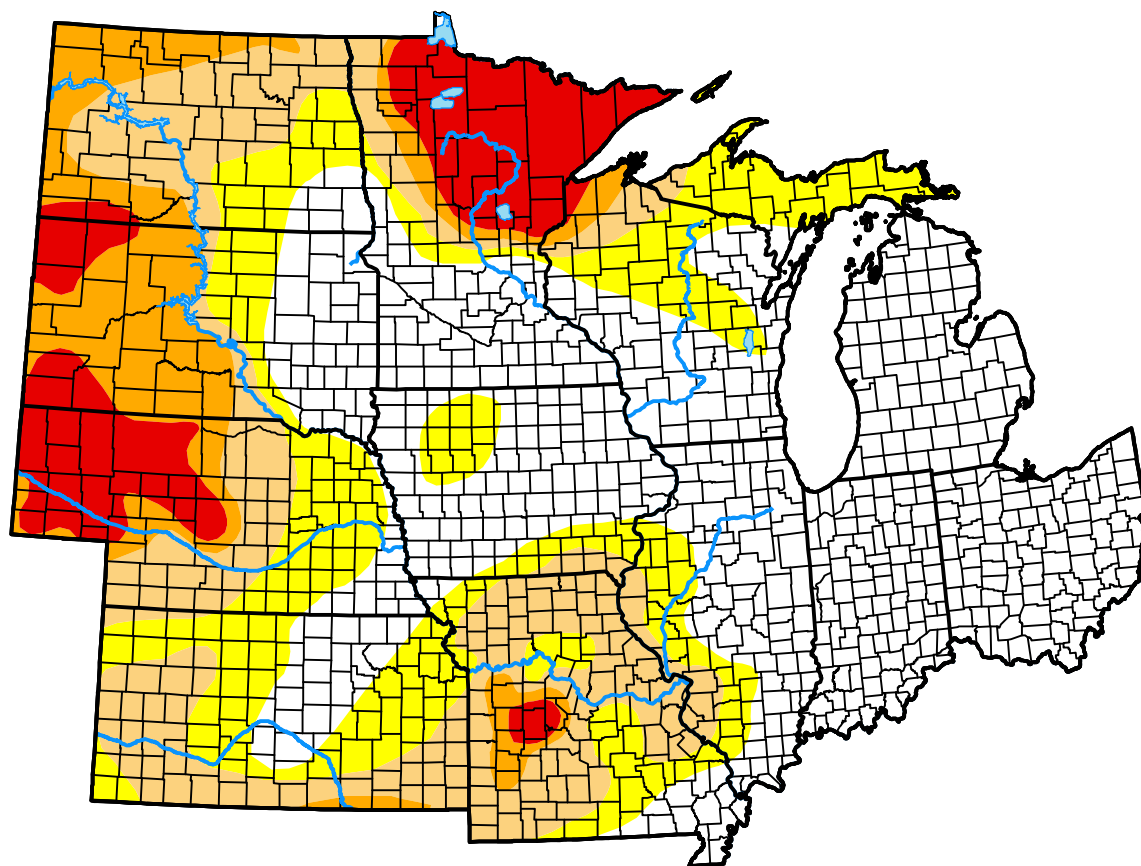


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.88	57.12	37.84	19.15	9.73	0.00
Last Week <i>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	57.50	37.11	19.15	9.88	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-04-2006</i>	35.36	64.64	34.18	10.88	2.43	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.32	41.68	19.07	5.71	1.96	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	42.50	57.50	37.11	19.15	9.88	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-04-2005</i>	54.02	45.98	23.02	5.87	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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