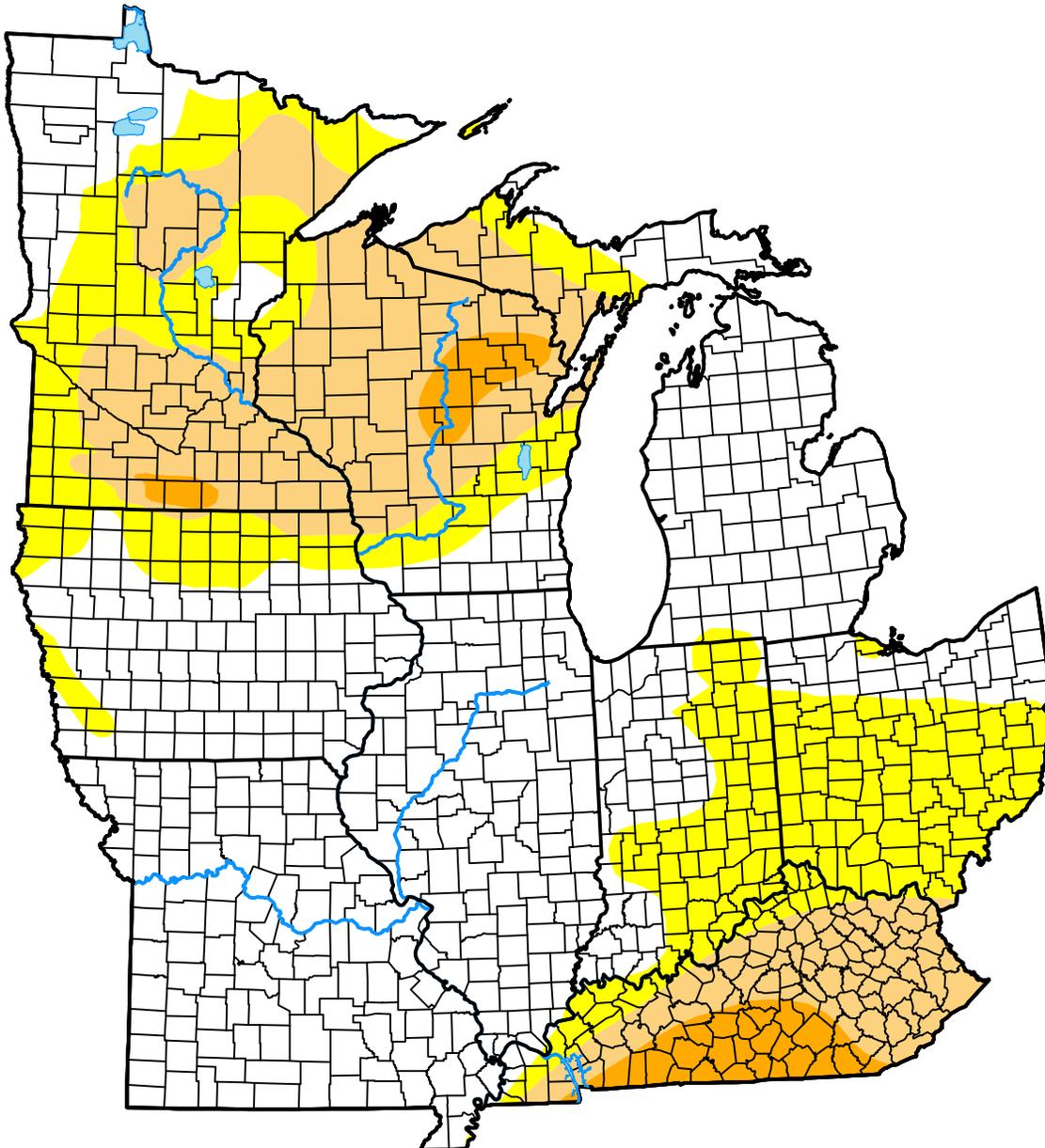


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	54.87	45.13	22.71	3.43	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	53.12	46.88	22.97	3.43	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-08-2008</i>	92.95	7.05	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2008</i>	75.99	24.01	6.60	0.78	0.40	0.01
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	53.12	46.88	22.97	3.43	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-09-2007</i>	48.32	51.68	36.11	18.94	9.85	1.19

***Intensity:***



*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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