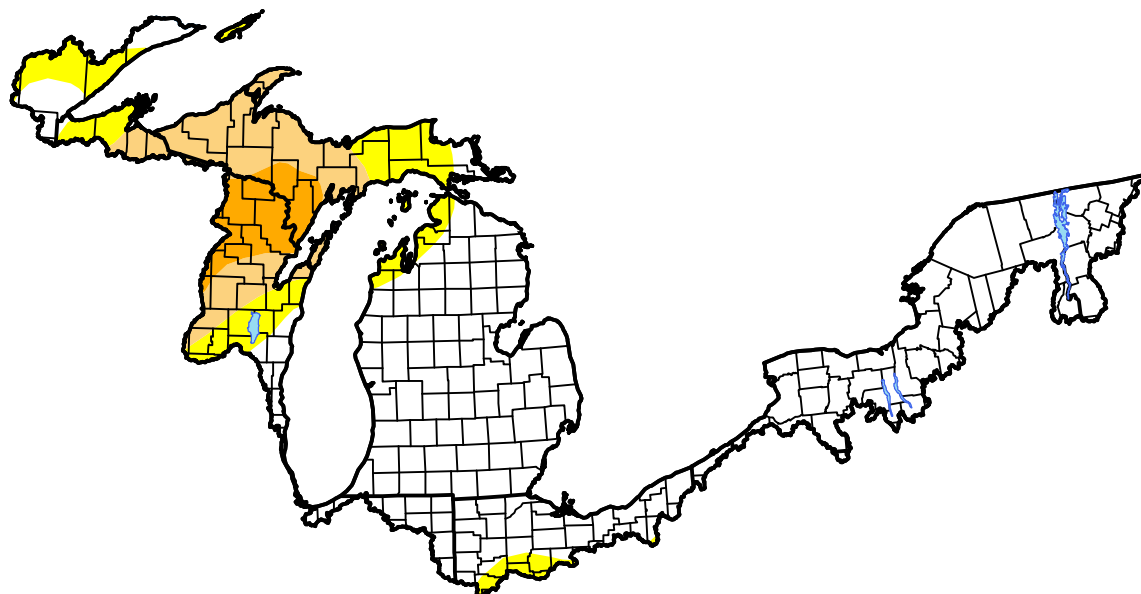


U.S. Drought Monitor

Great Lakes Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	70.68	29.32	17.16	5.53	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-04-2008</i>	70.68	29.32	17.16	5.05	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-11-2008</i>	64.40	35.60	17.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	63.23	36.77	10.61	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	63.72	36.28	16.34	2.03	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-13-2007</i>	63.23	36.77	10.61	0.00	0.00	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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