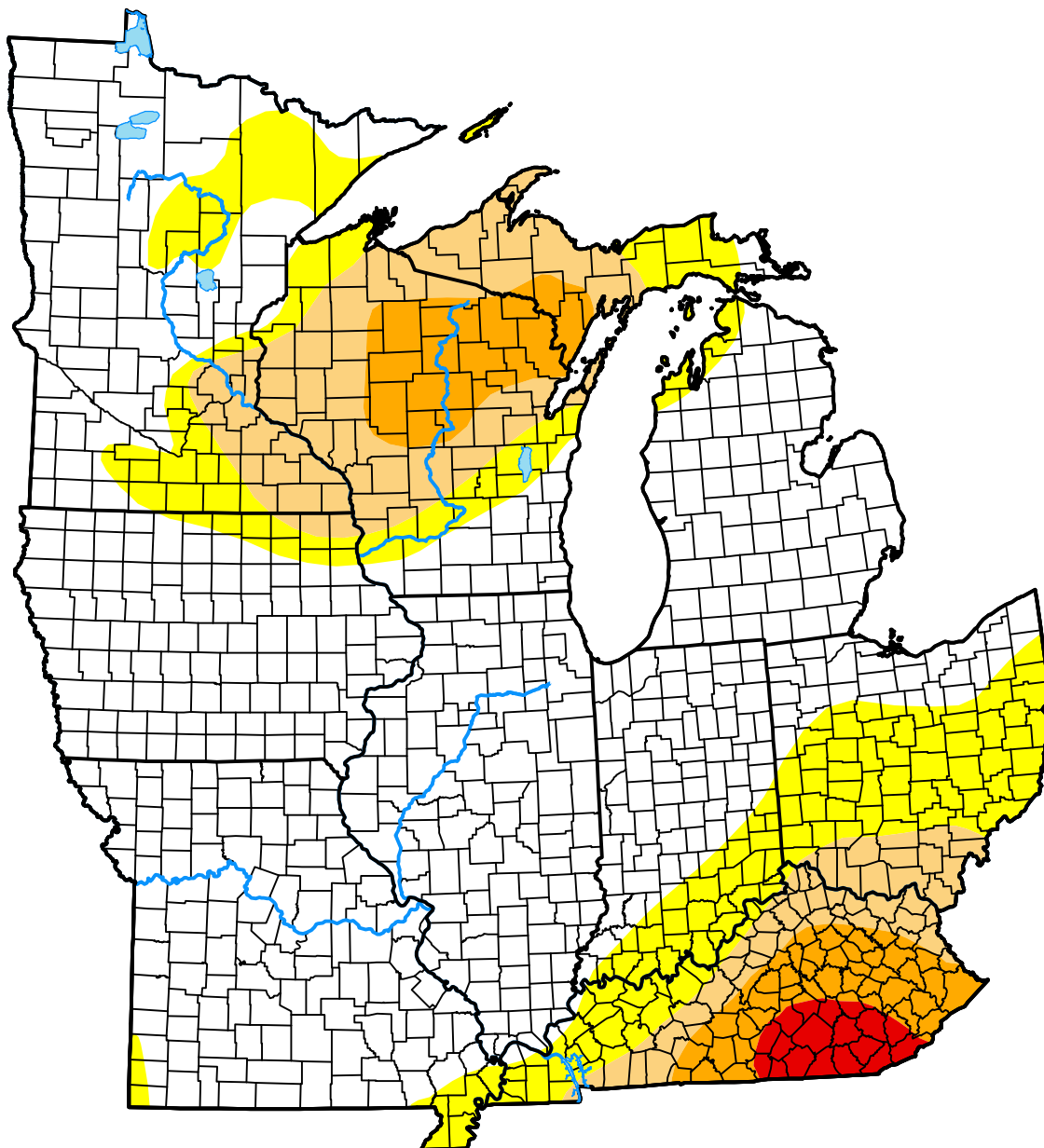


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	64.63	16.37	11.48	6.18	1.34	0.00
Last Week <i>12-02-2008</i>	60.74	20.10	12.28	5.55	1.34	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2008</i>	58.34	25.96	15.45	0.25	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	75.99	17.41	5.82	0.38	0.38	0.01
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	53.12	23.92	19.53	3.43	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2007</i>	71.20	19.98	7.38	1.04	0.38	0.01

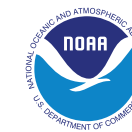
Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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