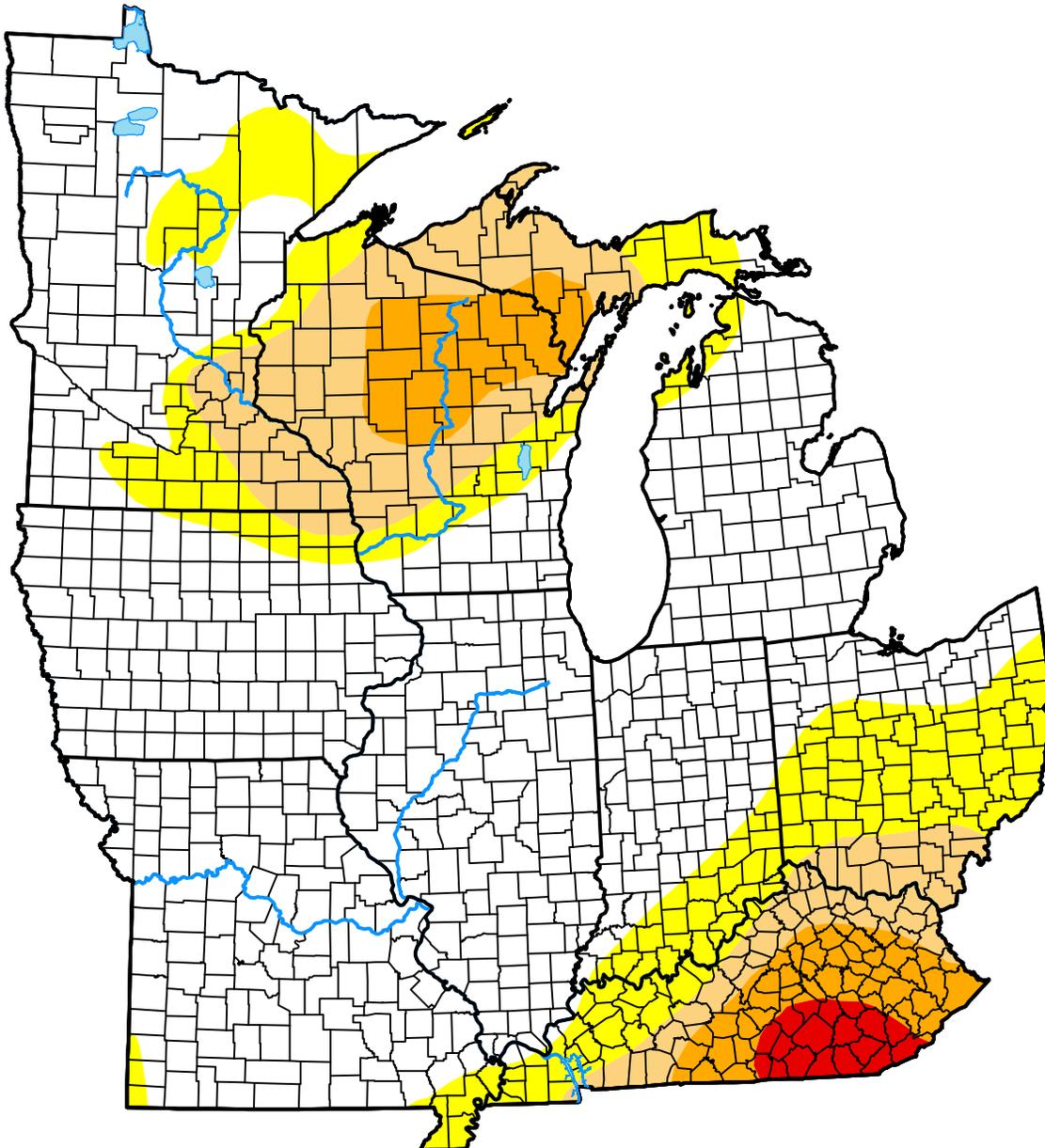


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	64.63	35.37	19.00	7.51	1.34	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-02-2008</i>	60.74	39.26	19.16	6.88	1.34	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-09-2008</i>	58.34	41.66	15.70	0.25	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>12-11-2007</i>	71.20	28.80	8.82	1.43	0.40	0.01

**Intensity:**

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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