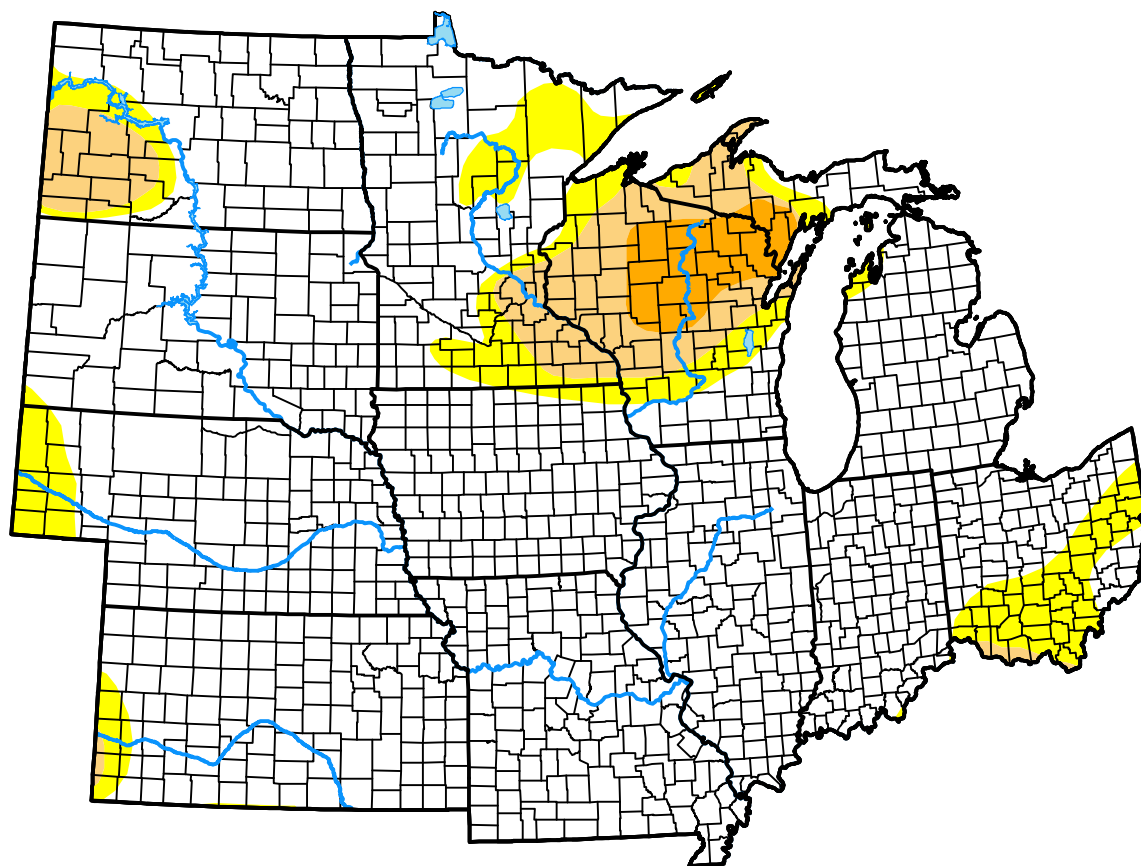


U.S. Drought Monitor

North Central States

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	82.56	17.44	8.34	2.21	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-30-2008</i>	82.22	17.78	8.69	2.21	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-07-2008</i>	65.59	34.41	14.04	2.76	1.09	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	82.22	17.78	8.69	2.21	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	64.42	35.58	14.85	2.76	1.09	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-08-2008</i>	68.50	31.50	12.46	4.42	0.17	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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