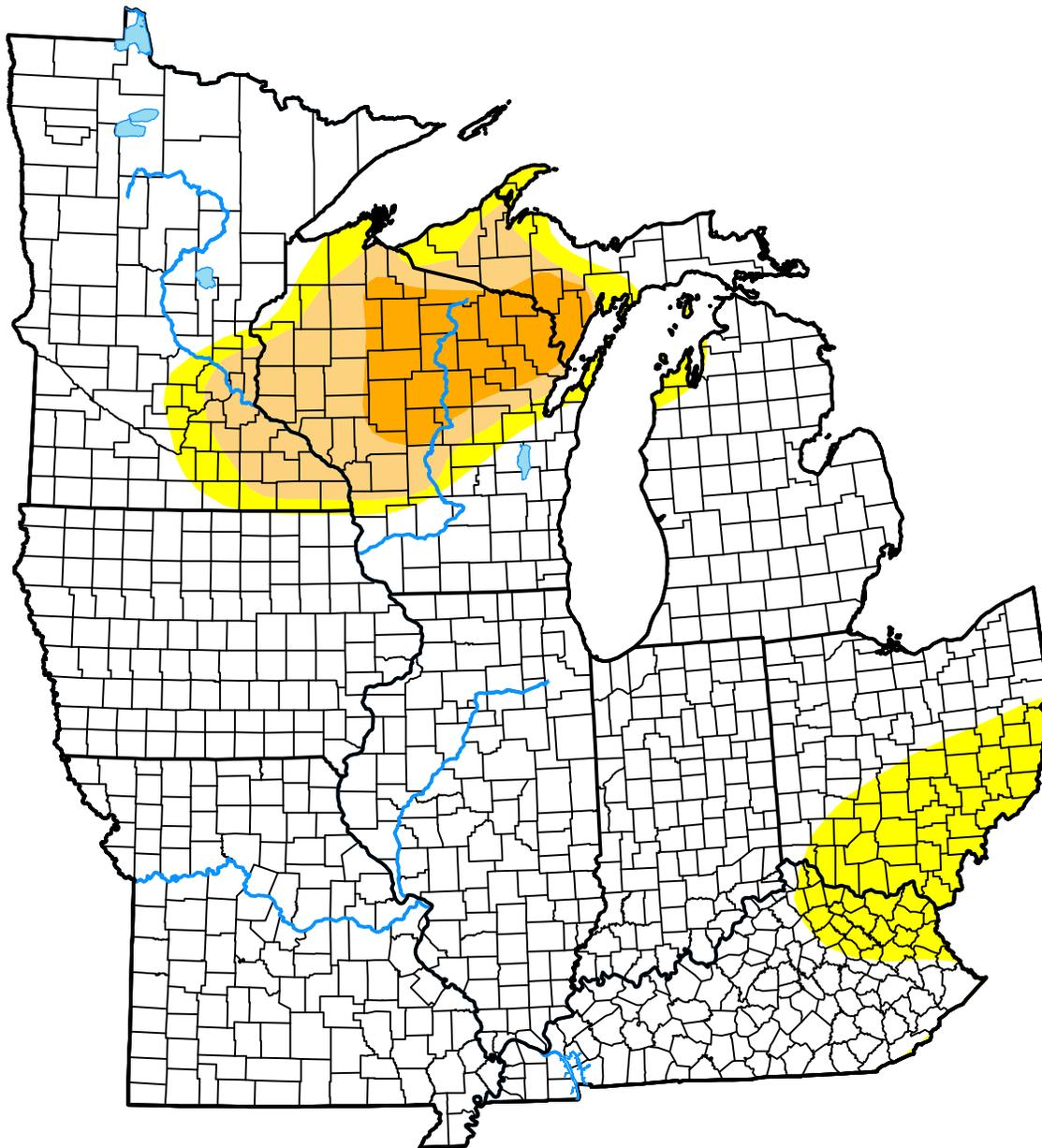


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 82.65 | 8.26  | 5.54  | 3.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-17-2009</i>              | 85.69 | 5.07  | 5.68  | 3.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-23-2008</i>           | 66.42 | 15.59 | 11.60 | 6.39 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 72.23 | 11.90 | 11.55 | 4.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 53.12 | 23.92 | 19.53 | 3.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-25-2008</i>           | 86.77 | 12.58 | 0.64  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

***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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