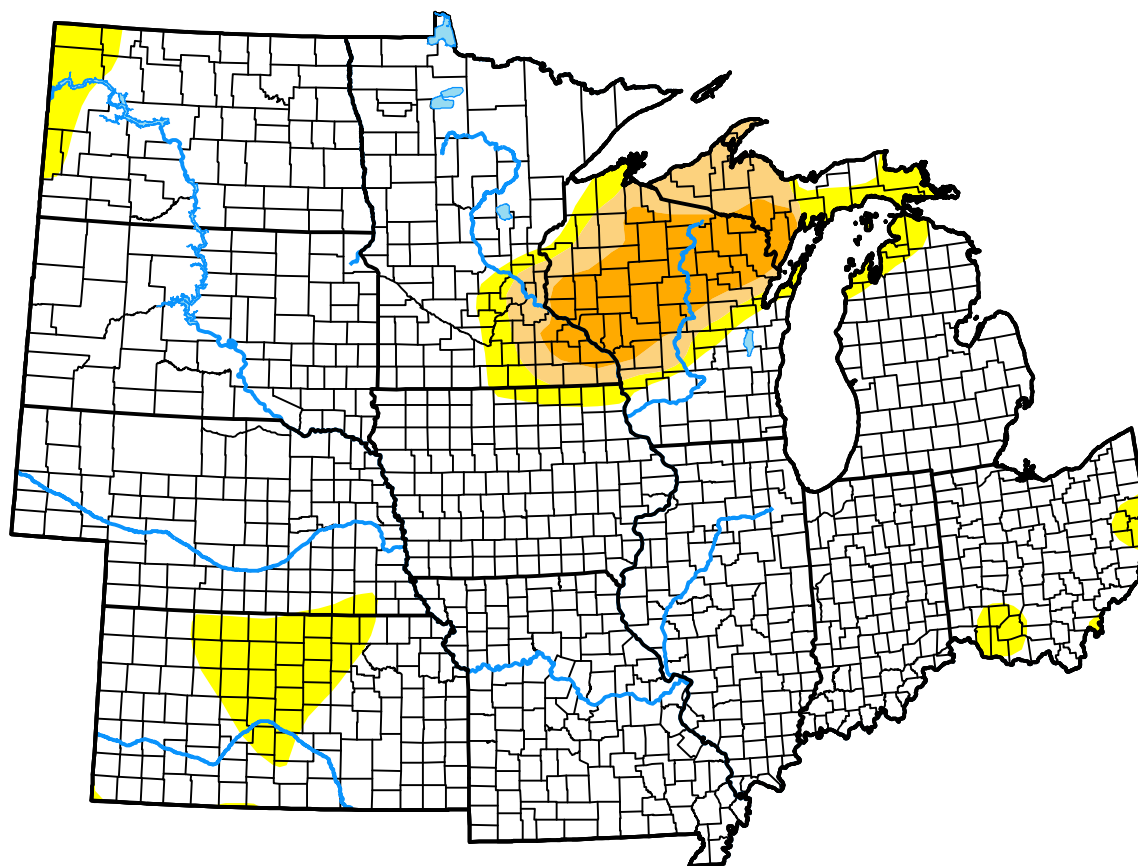


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	86.25	7.11	3.06	3.58	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-14-2009</i>	80.90	12.44	2.98	3.69	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-20-2009</i>	82.70	9.76	5.32	2.21	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	82.22	9.09	6.48	2.21	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	64.42	20.73	12.09	1.67	1.09	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-22-2008</i>	75.42	11.50	6.56	3.63	2.89	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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