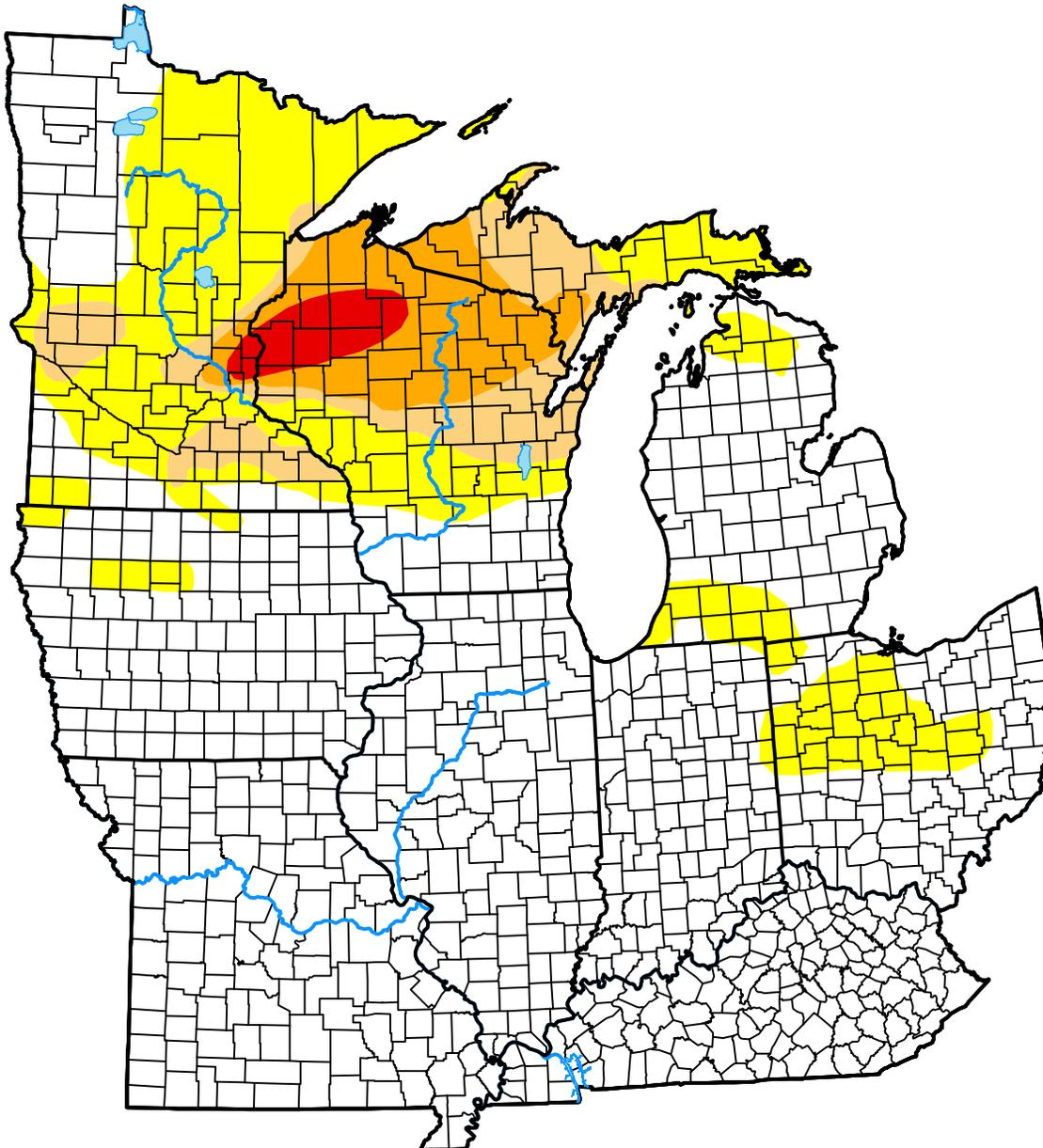


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	71.32	28.68	11.32	5.93	1.30	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-11-2009</i>	71.15	28.85	11.52	5.93	1.30	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-19-2009</i>	89.42	10.58	5.69	1.07	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	72.23	27.77	15.87	4.32	0.00	0.00
<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>08-19-2008</i>	73.45	26.55	3.15	0.04	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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