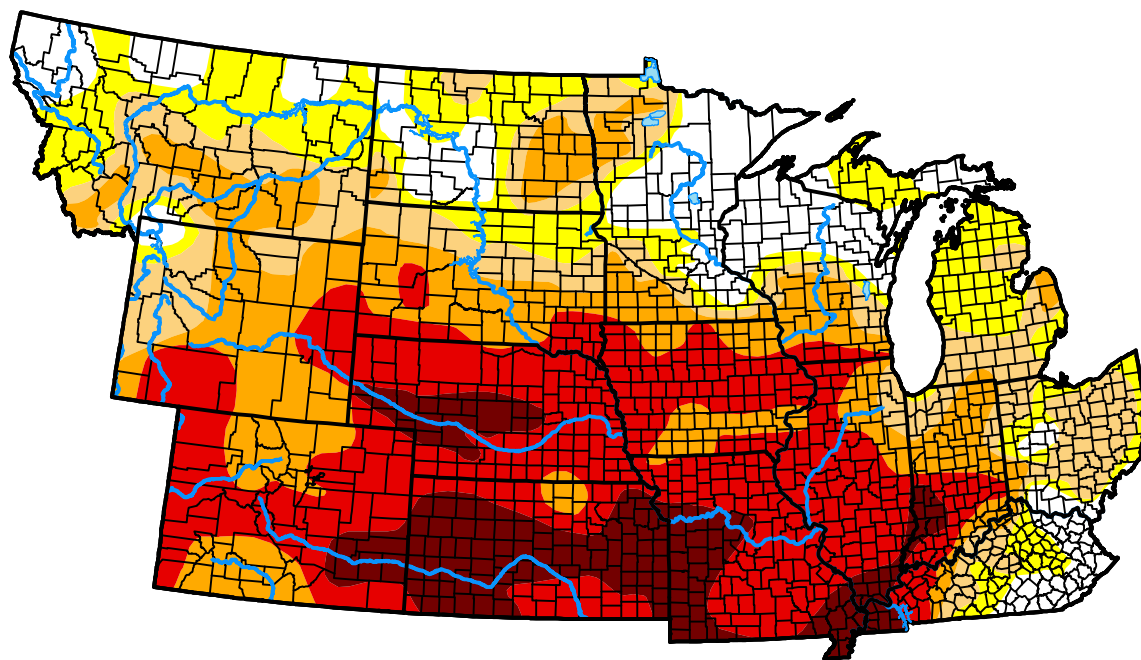


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	12.90	14.66	14.35	20.15	27.69	10.24
Last Week <i>08-14-2012</i>	13.21	14.94	13.46	21.20	26.81	10.37
3 Months Ago <i>05-22-2012</i>	49.16	34.12	13.19	2.87	0.66	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	68.31	17.88	8.08	4.81	0.90	0.02
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	62.90	23.36	6.29	4.70	1.44	1.31
One Year Ago <i>08-23-2011</i>	70.49	17.86	5.82	3.08	1.61	1.14

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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