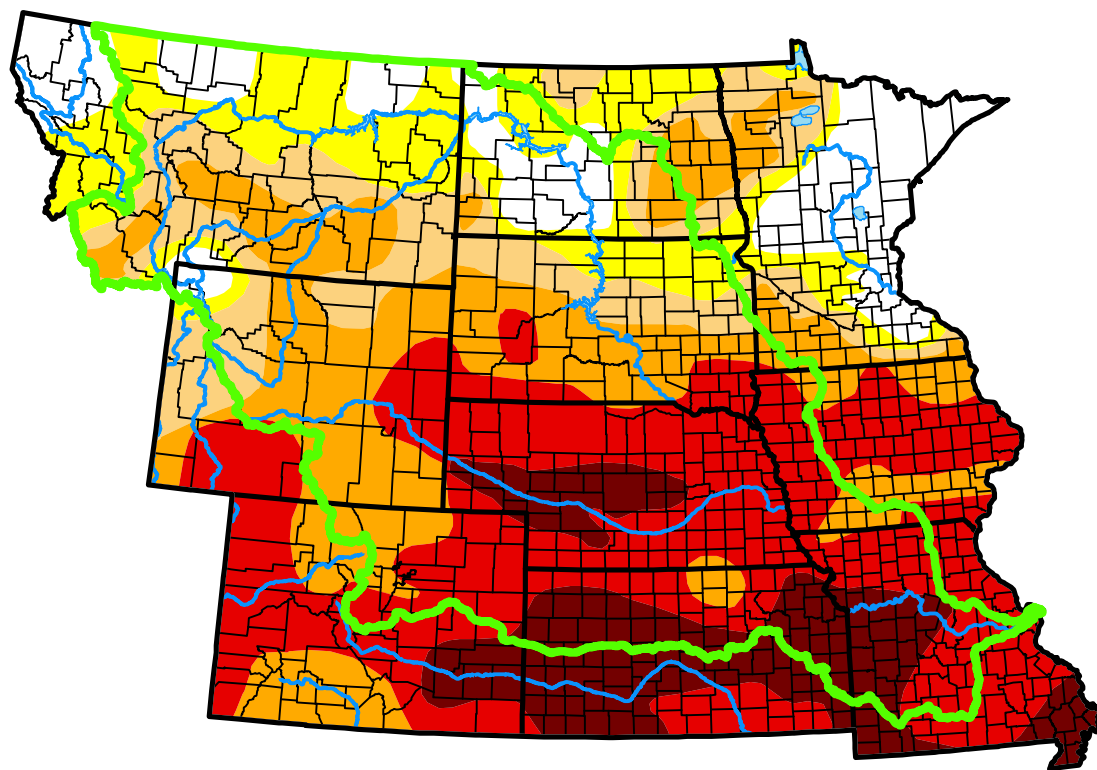


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Missouri River Basin DEWS and Surrounding Areas

**August 21, 2012**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	7.25	92.75	78.87	64.86	40.57	11.15
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-14-2012</i>	7.28	92.72	78.41	65.17	37.69	10.55
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-22-2012</i>	54.90	45.10	8.29	0.54	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	74.43	25.57	6.50	1.97	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2011</i>	71.66	28.34	4.59	0.25	0.01	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-23-2011</i>	88.01	11.99	3.02	0.43	0.00	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

### 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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