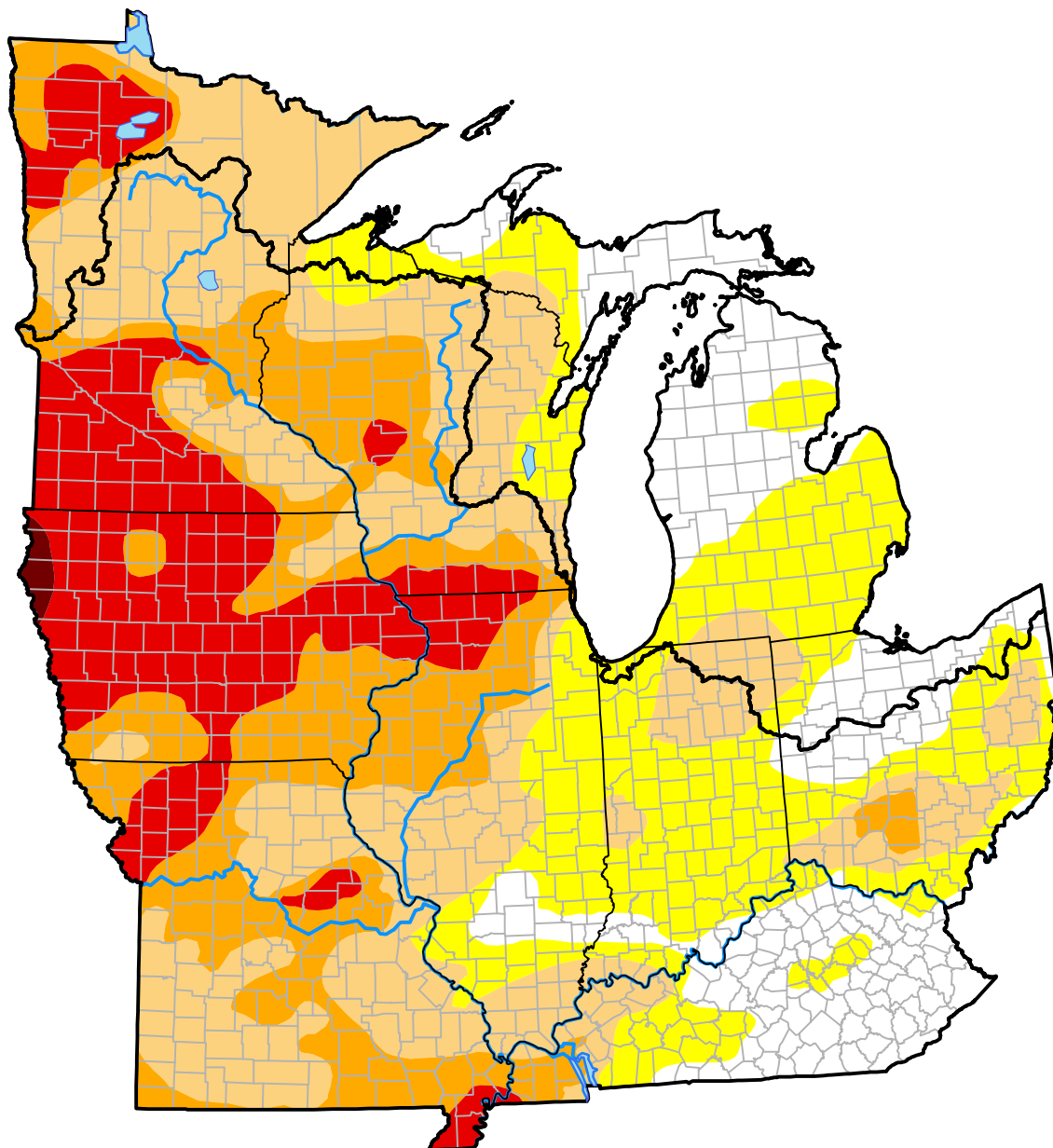


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	10.03	17.27	30.63	23.44	18.24	0.38
Last Week <i>10-11-2012</i>	9.90	15.87	25.34	29.63	18.87	0.38
3 Months Ago <i>07-19-2012</i>	10.57	8.10	24.14	42.28	13.80	1.12
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	75.13	12.97	4.06	7.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	5.51	14.57	28.28	34.18	17.08	0.38
One Year Ago <i>10-20-2011</i>	57.31	22.47	12.44	7.78	0.00	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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