

# 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>                                     | 17.90 | 82.10 | 62.25 | 32.82 | 13.99 | 0.28 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-16-2012</i>              | 15.06 | 84.94 | 64.60 | 34.31 | 15.50 | 0.28 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-24-2012</i>           | 13.13 | 86.87 | 73.69 | 55.53 | 28.92 | 4.33 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 71.84 | 28.16 | 13.47 | 6.80  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2012</i>    | 8.75  | 91.25 | 67.48 | 41.58 | 14.88 | 0.28 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-25-2011</i>           | 60.81 | 39.19 | 19.65 | 7.84  | 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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