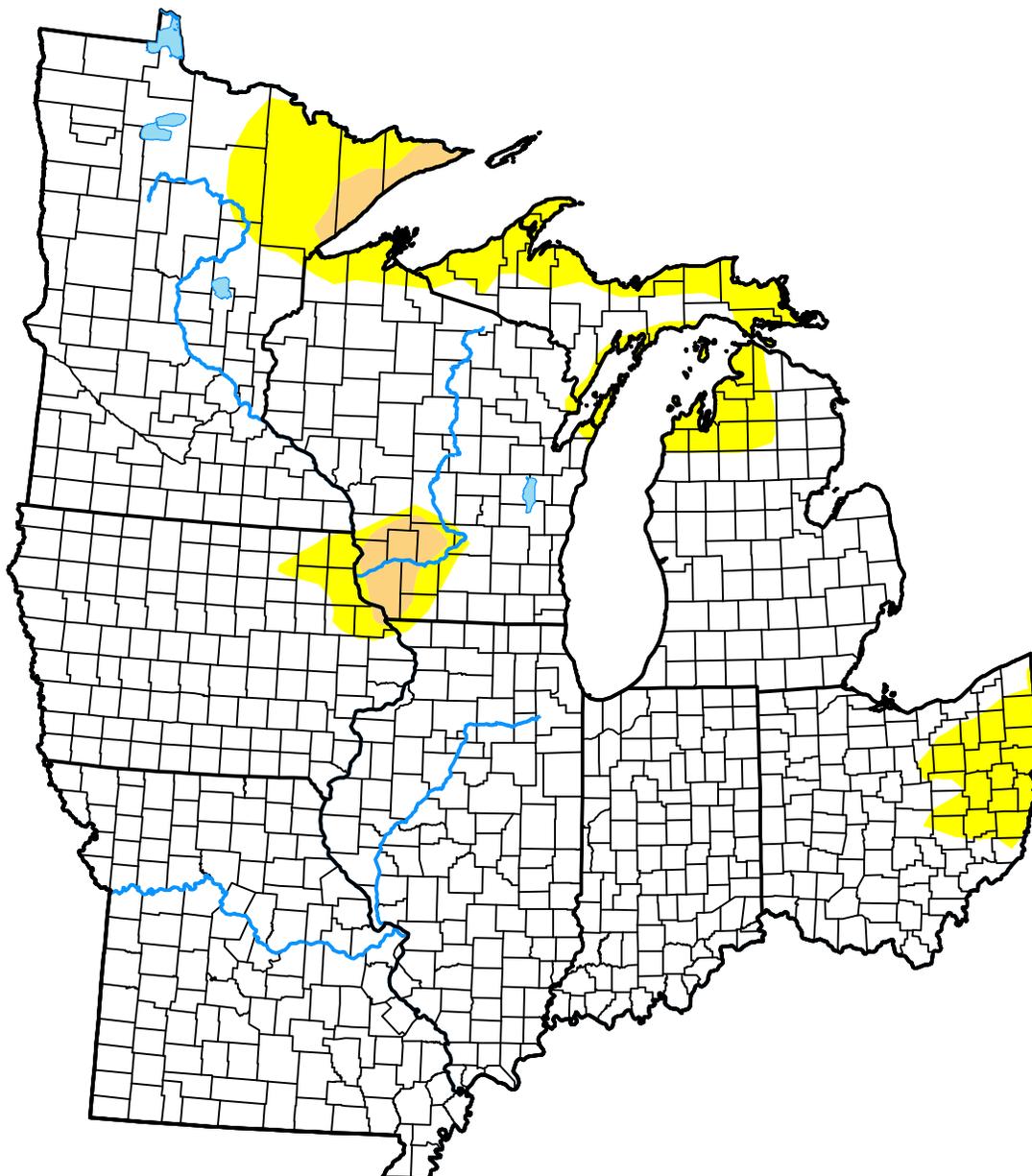


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	89.70	8.91	1.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-11-2015</i>	92.55	6.65	0.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-19-2015</i>	54.46	30.48	15.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2014</i>	83.05	16.83	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2014</i>	90.60	8.99	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-19-2014</i>	84.01	15.27	0.72	0.00	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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