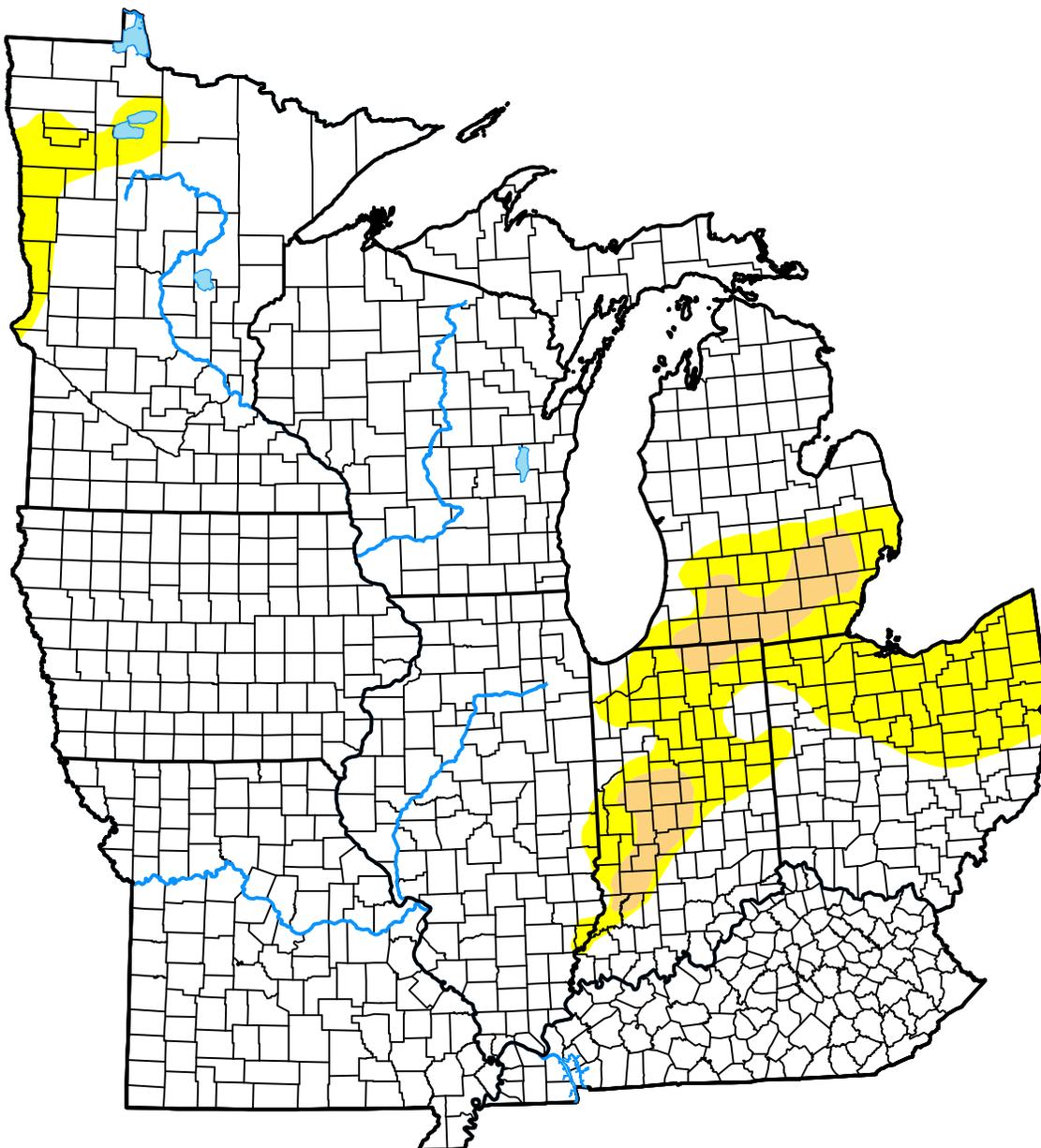


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	87.50	12.50	2.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-08-2015</i>	89.03	10.97	2.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-15-2015</i>	88.35	11.65	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2014</i>	83.08	16.92	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	79.46	20.54	1.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-16-2014</i>	83.23	16.77	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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