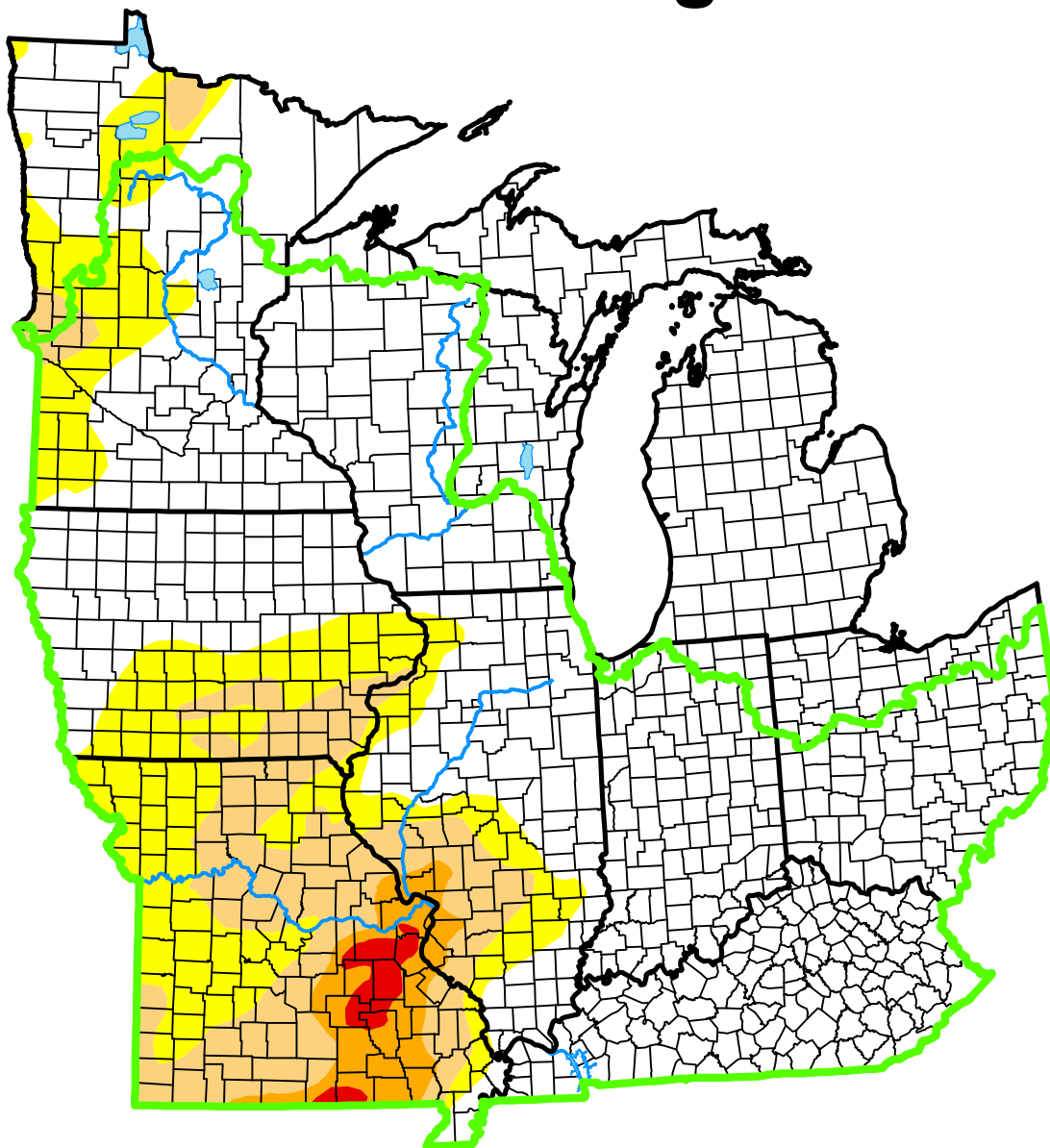


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**February 20, 2018**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	65.79	34.21	16.78	4.33	0.96	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-13-2018</i>	58.53	41.47	18.68	5.41	1.05	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-21-2017</i>	77.56	22.44	9.02	3.21	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2018</i>	61.32	38.68	12.33	4.60	0.24	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-26-2017</i>	54.99	45.01	10.06	1.03	0.34	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-21-2017</i>	71.15	28.85	9.70	0.00	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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