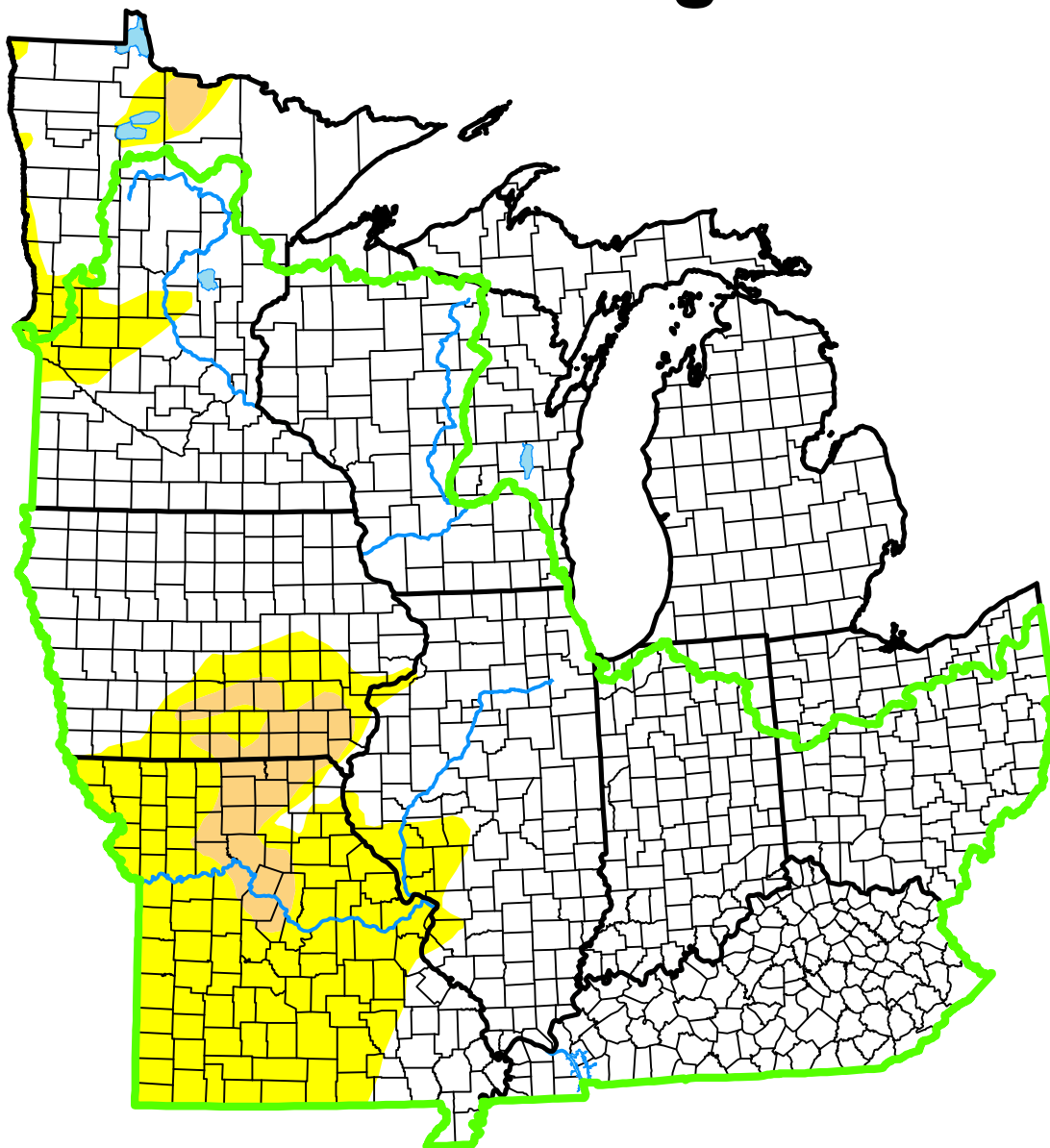


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 76.93 | 23.07 | 3.58  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-27-2018</i>              | 74.73 | 25.27 | 4.94  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-05-2017</i>           | 73.94 | 26.06 | 9.25  | 4.66  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2018</i> | 61.32 | 38.68 | 12.33 | 4.60  | 0.24  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2017</i>    | 54.99 | 45.01 | 10.06 | 1.03  | 0.34  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-07-2017</i>           | 68.91 | 31.09 | 17.67 | 1.54  | 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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