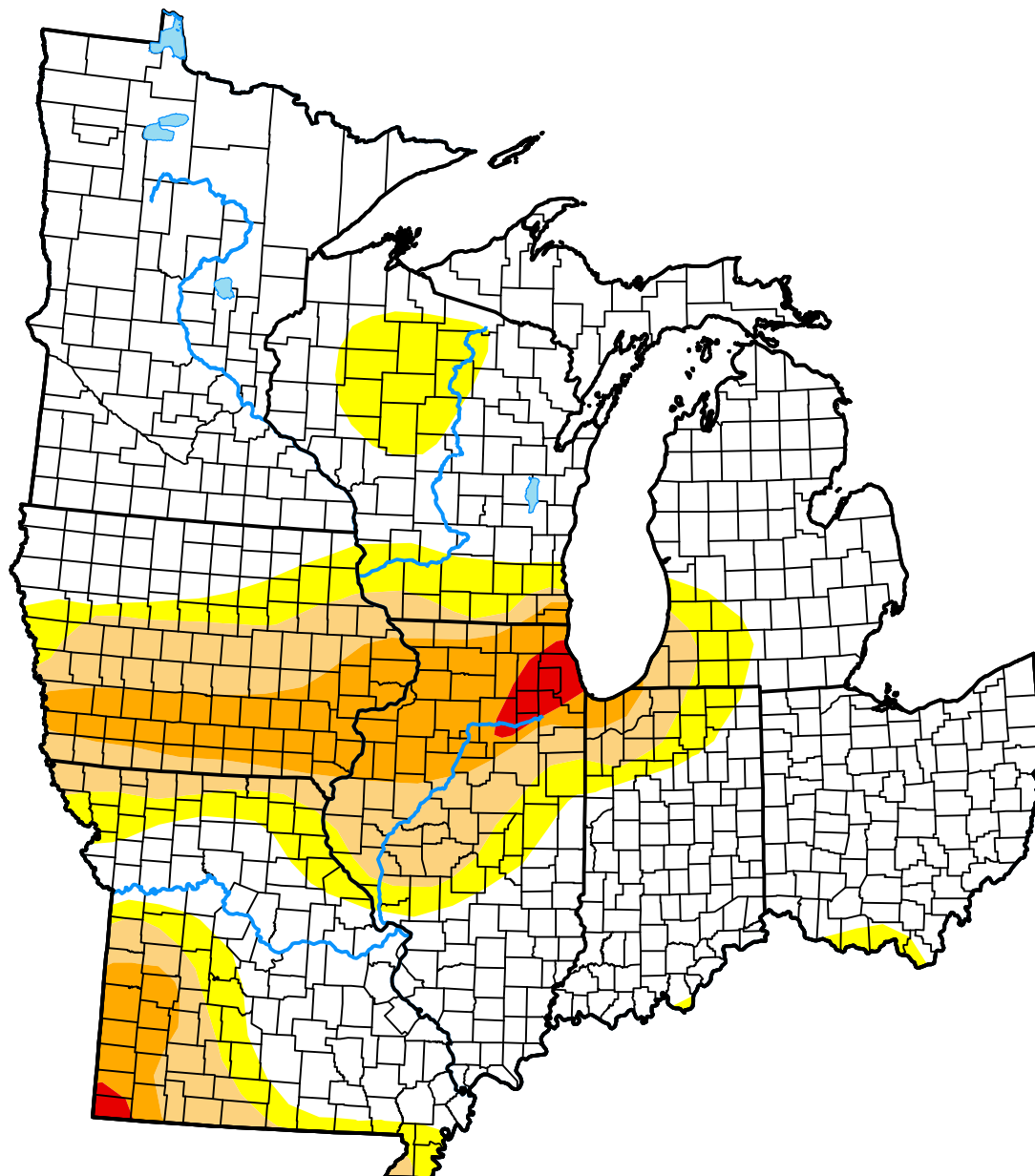


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.24	31.76	19.80	8.85	0.79	0.00
Last Week <i>01-24-2006</i>	62.74	37.26	22.56	11.36	3.79	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-01-2005</i>	49.25	50.75	22.86	10.84	4.02	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.66	37.34	19.34	9.31	3.27	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.29	47.71	29.54	13.35	2.42	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-01-2005</i>	89.22	10.78	0.26	0.00	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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