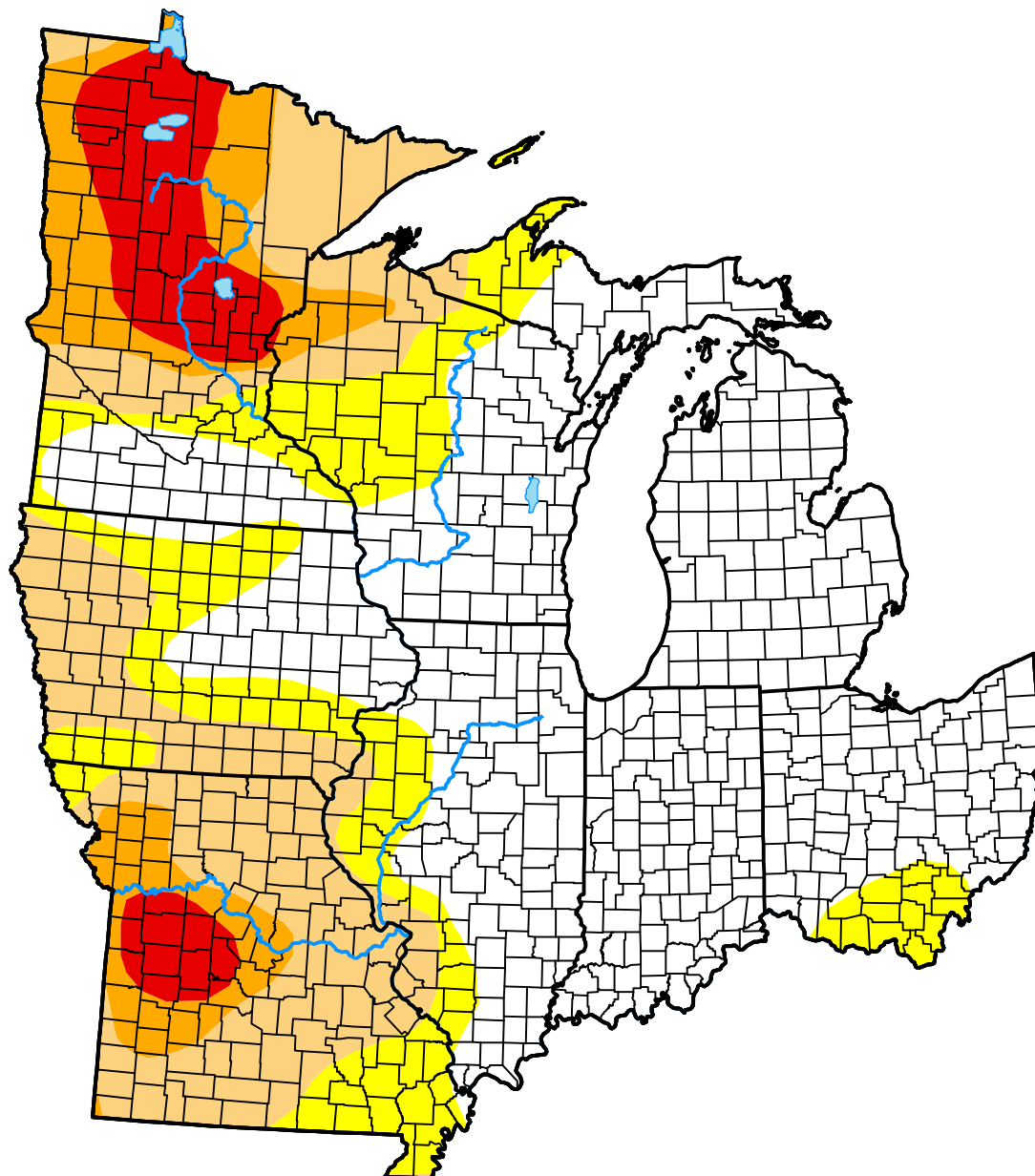


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	49.72	15.64	19.89	7.93	6.82	0.00
Last Week <i>08-08-2006</i>	48.94	14.87	19.61	11.15	5.42	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-16-2006</i>	73.13	19.78	7.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.66	18.00	10.03	6.04	3.27	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.29	18.16	16.20	10.93	2.42	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-16-2005</i>	42.49	20.69	21.84	10.35	4.63	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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