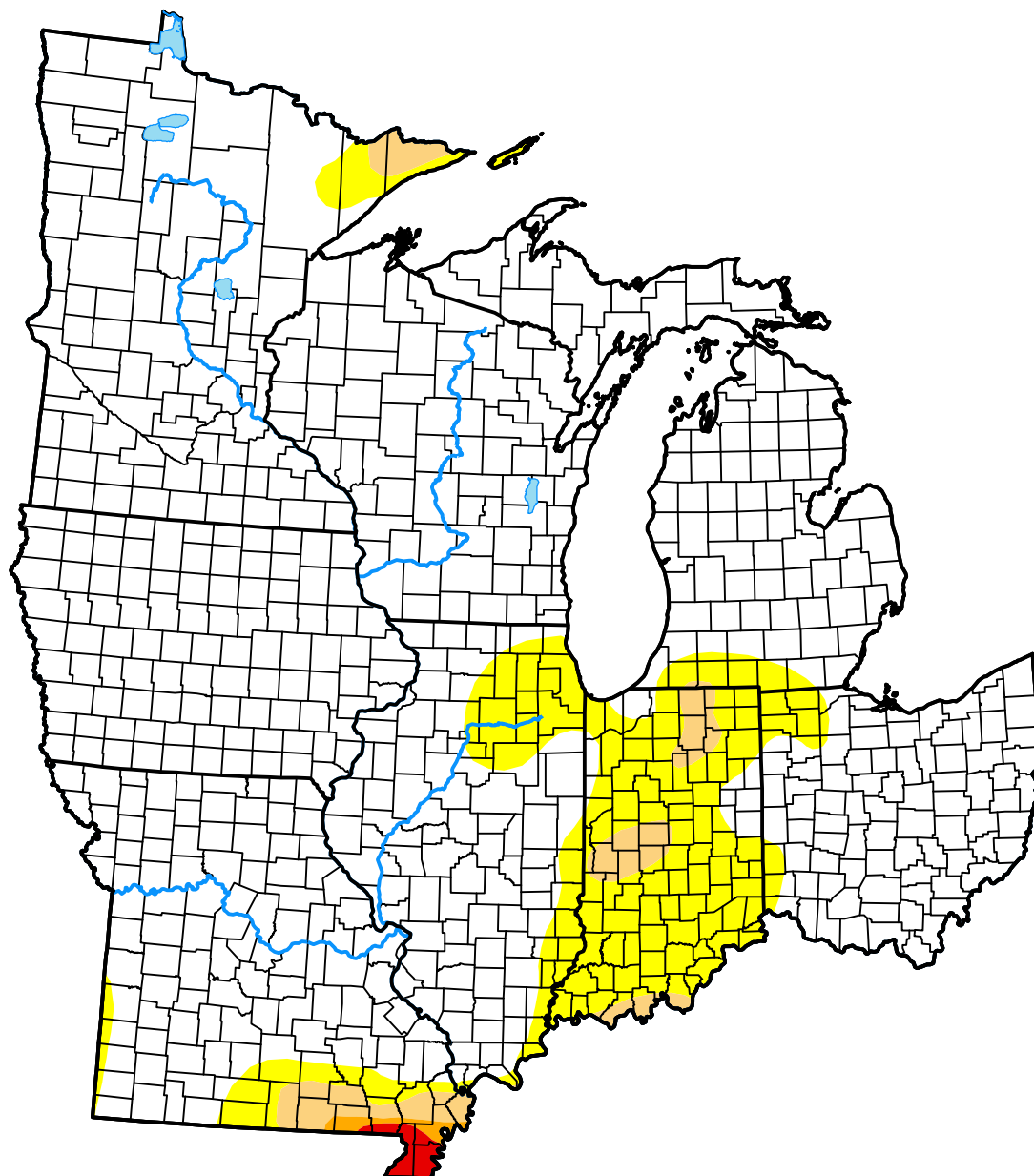


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	85.53	14.47	2.79	0.54	0.32	0.00
Last Week <i>12-07-2010</i>	80.74	19.26	3.52	0.74	0.37	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-14-2010</i>	77.15	22.85	7.65	1.07	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	87.71	12.29	3.79	0.87	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	78.48	21.52	7.07	2.76	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-15-2009</i>	87.71	12.29	3.79	0.87	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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