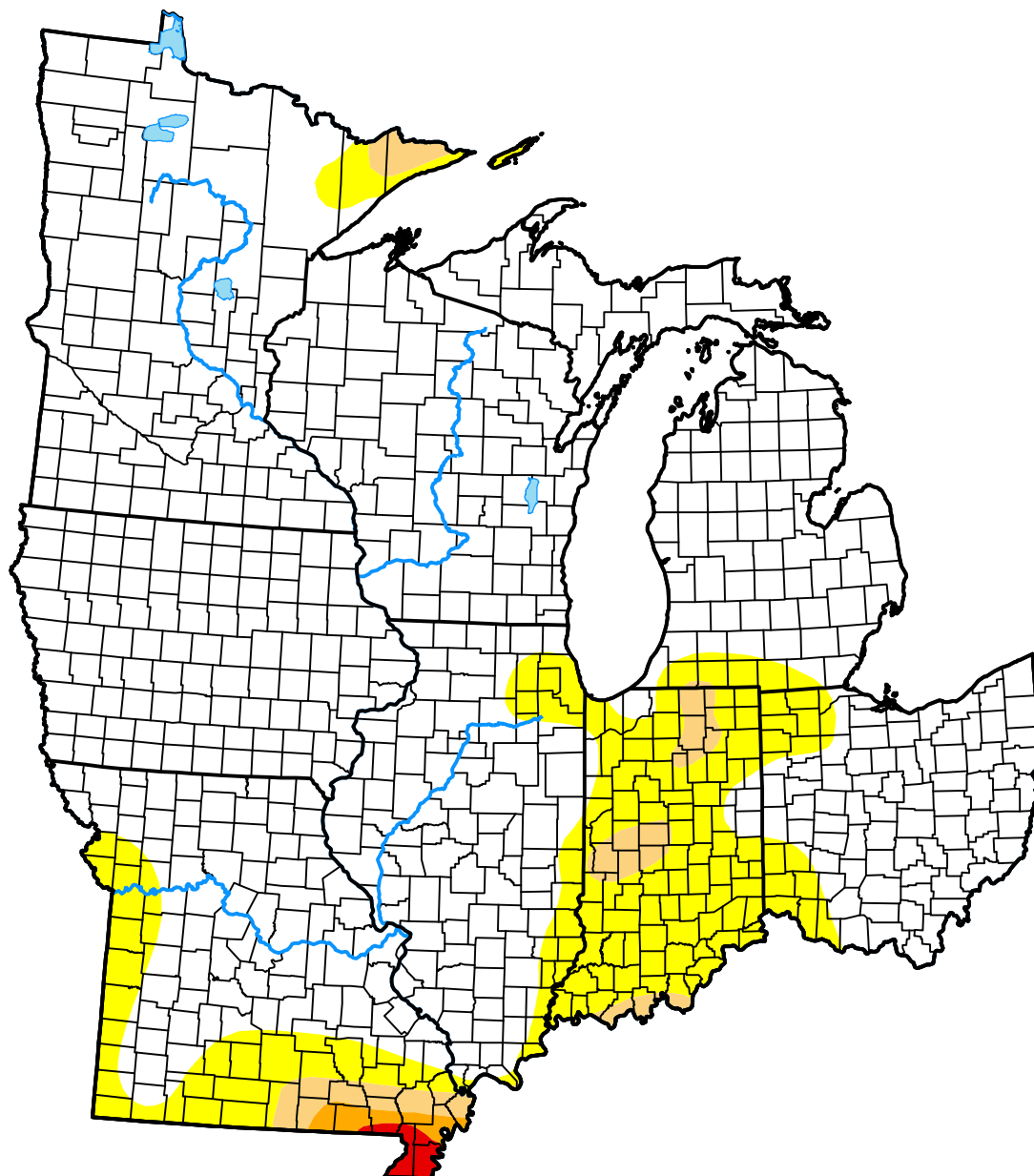


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

**December 28, 2010**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 30, 2010)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 82.82 | 17.18 | 2.97  | 0.74  | 0.32  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-21-2010</i>              | 84.84 | 15.16 | 2.79  | 0.54  | 0.32  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-28-2010</i>           | 78.48 | 21.52 | 7.07  | 2.76  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-29-2009</i> | 87.71 | 12.29 | 3.79  | 0.87  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2010</i>    | 78.48 | 21.52 | 7.07  | 2.76  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-29-2009</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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