

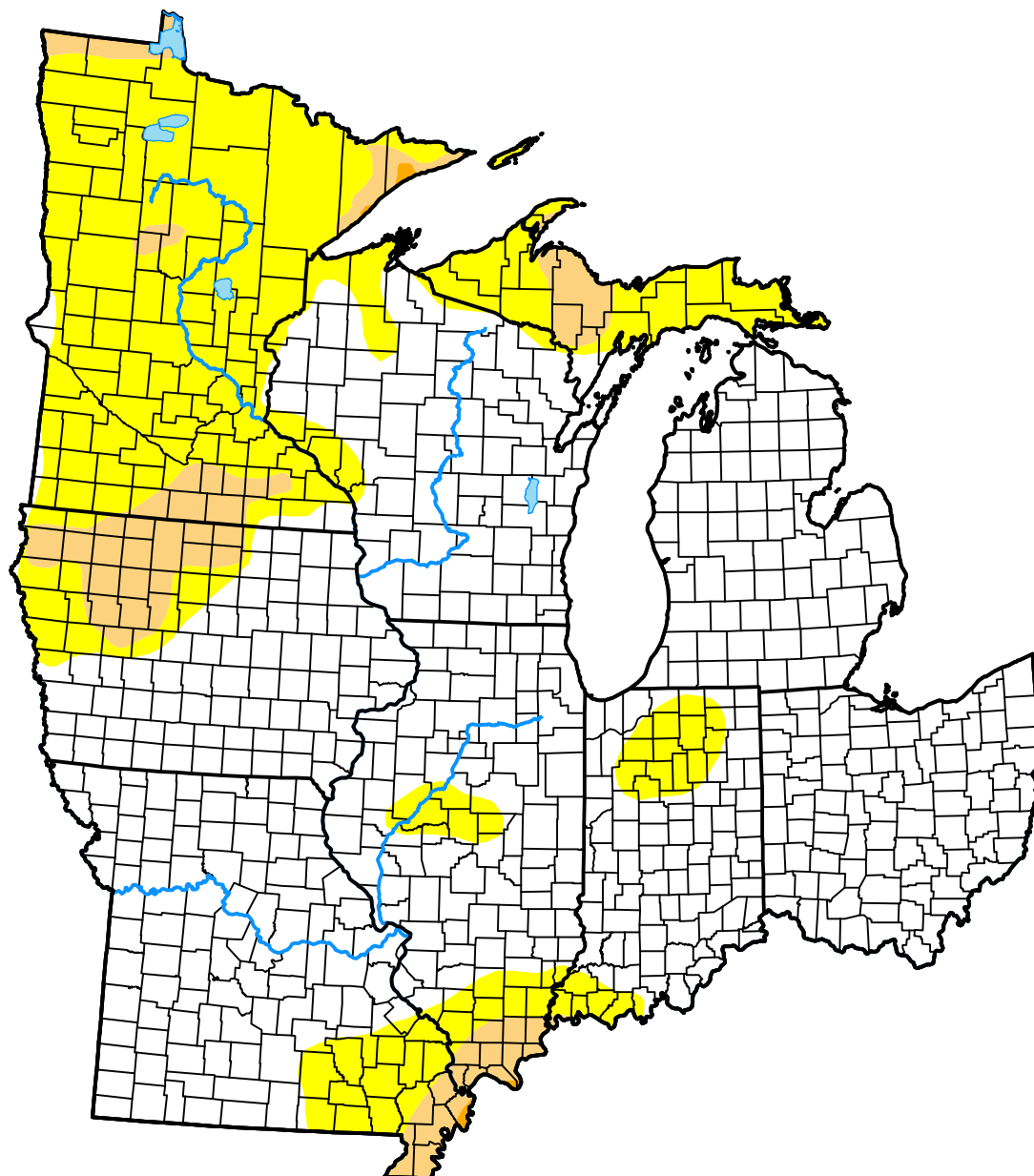
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 66.95 | 33.05 | 6.10  | 0.11  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>05-08-2012              | 68.36 | 31.64 | 5.25  | 0.05  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>02-14-2012           | 69.33 | 30.67 | 21.80 | 7.40  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 69.36 | 30.64 | 14.65 | 7.40  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 56.39 | 43.61 | 15.24 | 5.47  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>05-17-2011           | 98.73 | 1.27  | 0.00  | 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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