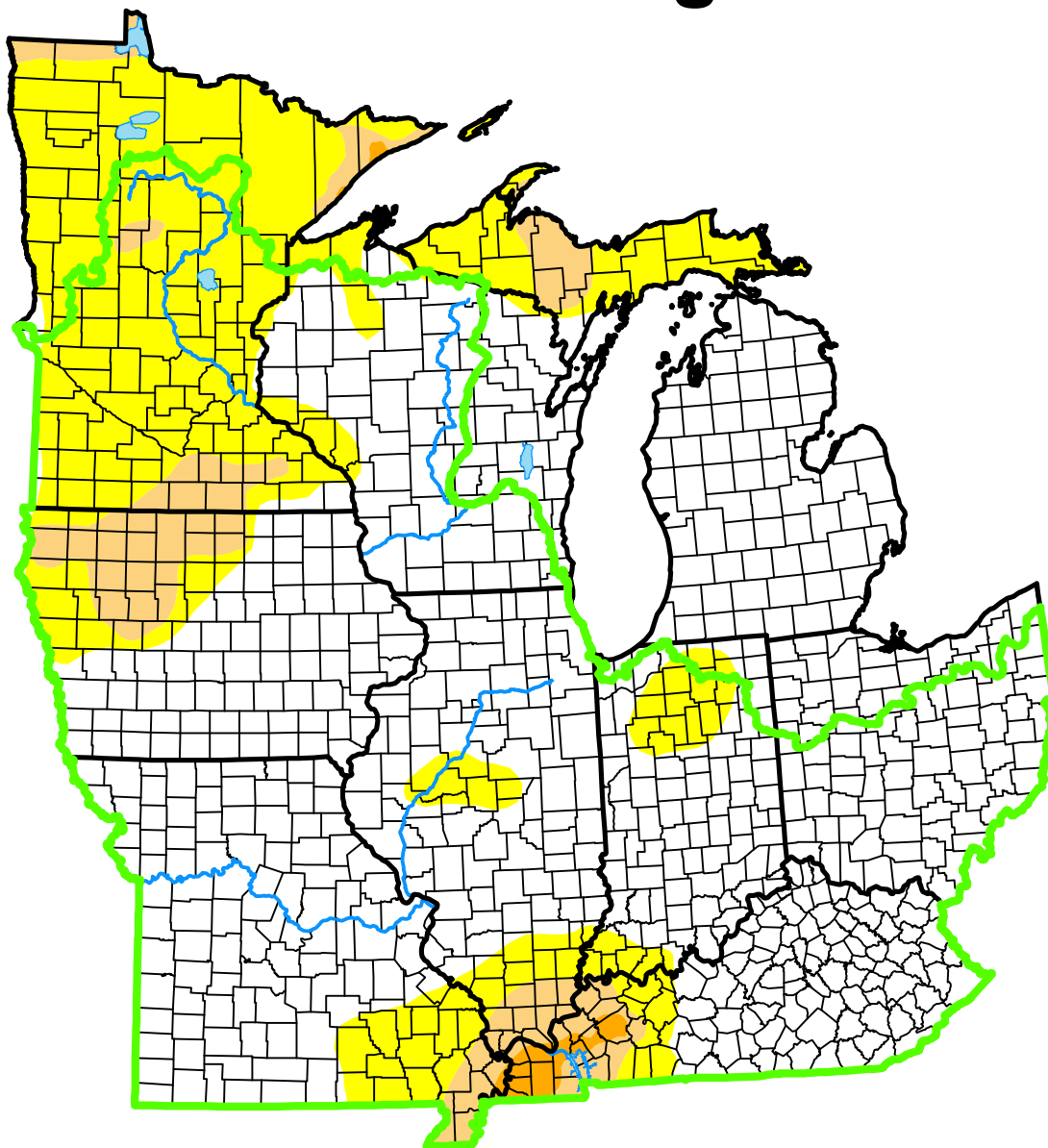


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	71.22	28.78	7.25	0.80	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-08-2012</i>	72.60	27.40	5.76	0.18	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-14-2012</i>	75.10	24.90	16.95	7.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	75.13	24.87	11.90	7.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	57.72	42.28	15.57	5.33	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-17-2011</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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