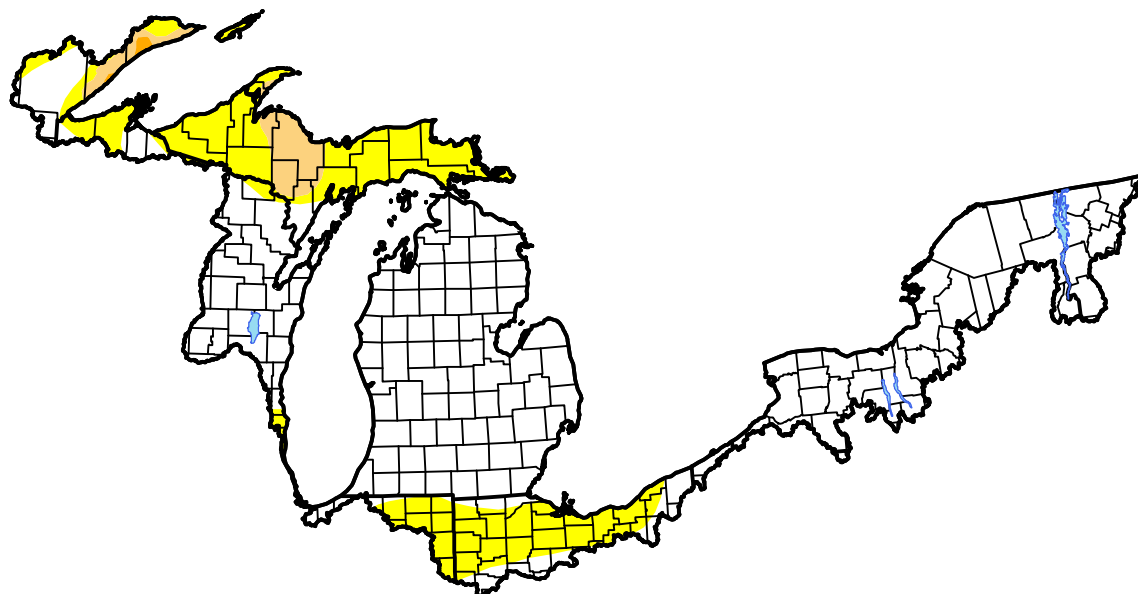


# U.S. Drought Monitor Great Lakes Watershed

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                 | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                  | 74.25 | 25.75 | 3.94  | 0.20  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>05-17-2012                  | 79.88 | 20.12 | 3.98  | 0.20  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>02-23-2012               | 77.80 | 22.20 | 6.10  | 1.94  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br>01-05-2012 | 83.69 | 16.31 | 4.08  | 1.94  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br>09-29-2011    | 70.97 | 29.03 | 4.85  | 1.67  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>05-26-2011               | 96.82 | 3.18  | 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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