

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## North Central States

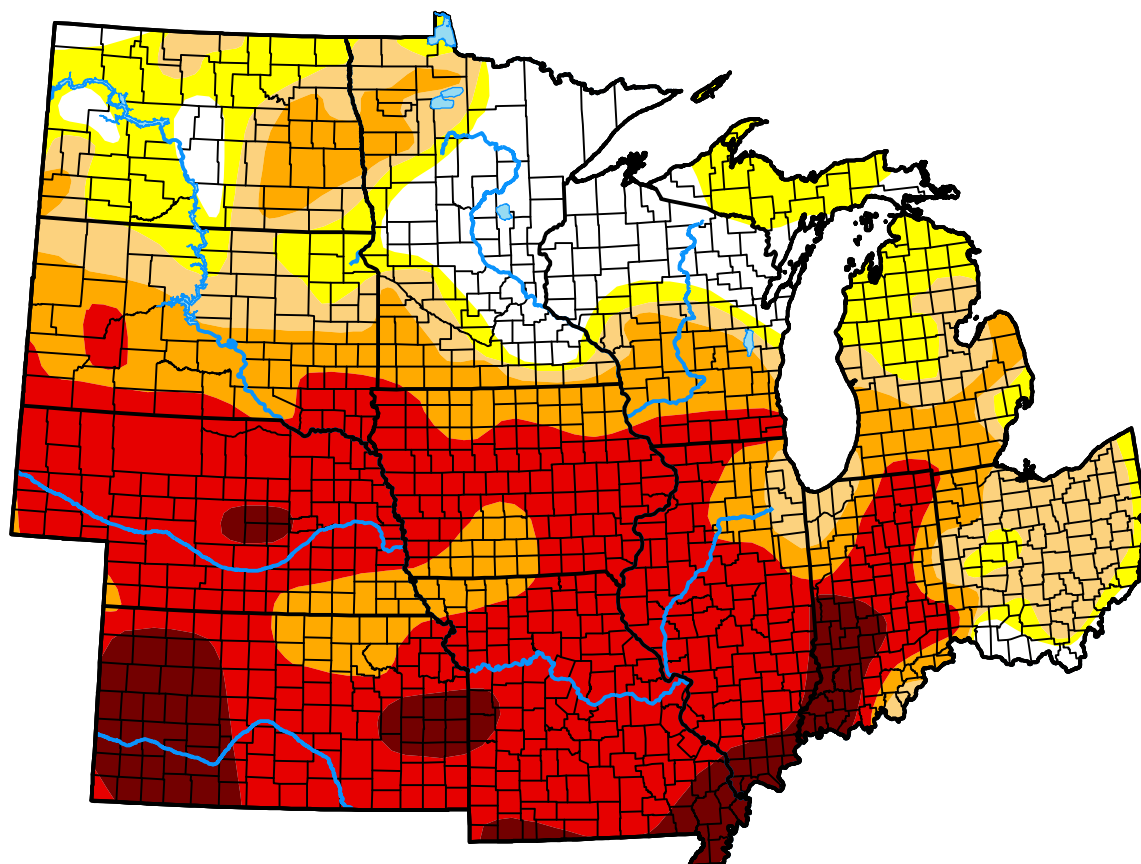
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 11.68 | 88.32 | 75.98 | 62.85 | 44.62 | 7.56 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>07-31-2012              | 11.31 | 88.69 | 76.53 | 62.86 | 39.54 | 4.75 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-08-2012           | 70.71 | 29.29 | 5.76  | 0.29  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 58.20 | 41.80 | 17.43 | 7.20  | 1.37  | 0.02 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 59.58 | 40.42 | 16.96 | 8.51  | 3.07  | 1.89 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-09-2011           | 66.84 | 33.16 | 13.57 | 5.16  | 2.43  | 1.56 |



### 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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