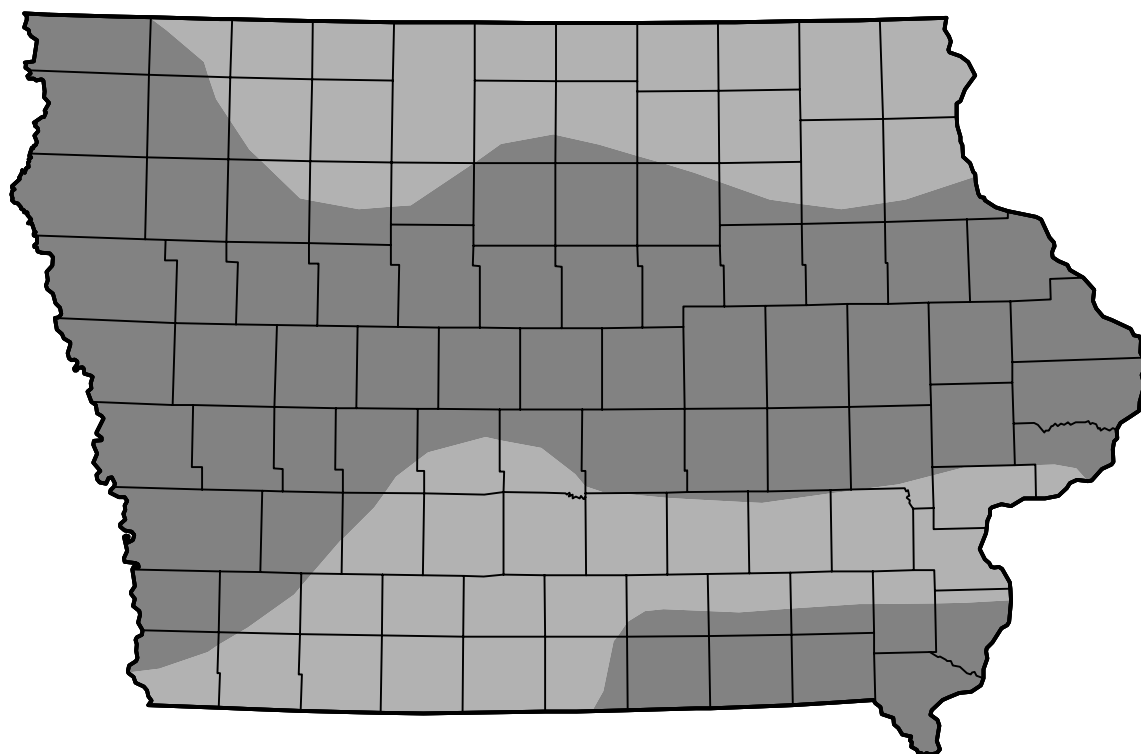


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Iowa

**August 14, 2012**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 37.95 | 62.05 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-09-2012</i>              | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 30.86 | 69.14 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-17-2012</i>           | 69.07 | 13.20 | 17.73 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 60.99 | 8.68  | 6.17  | 24.15 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 29.04 | 44.98 | 16.06 | 9.92  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-18-2011</i>           | 58.03 | 34.17 | 7.80  | 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>*

### Author:

Michael Brewer  
 NCEI/NOAA



**droughtmonitor.unl.edu**