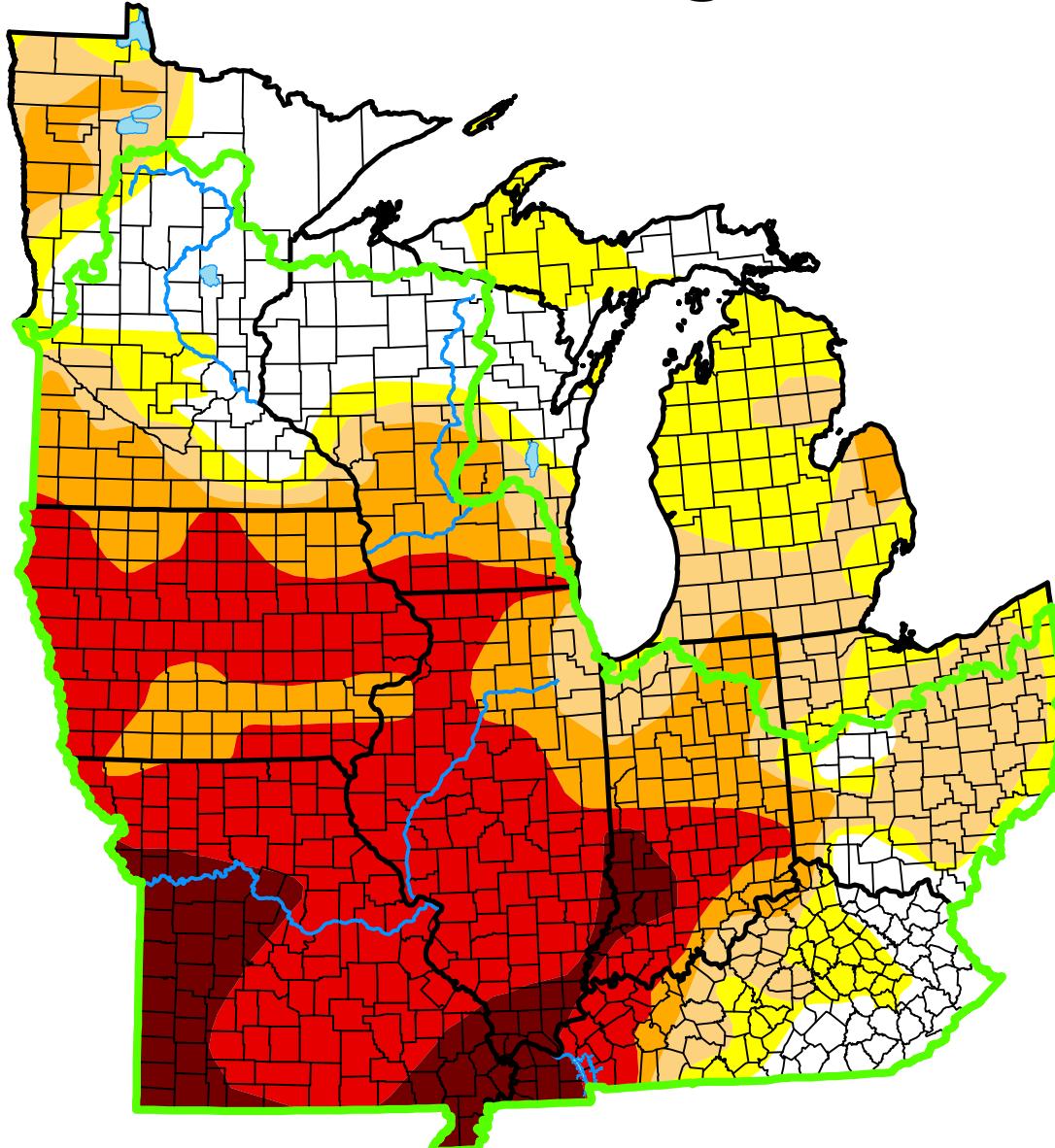


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	16.39	7.28	11.23	18.28	37.25	9.58
Last Week 08-14-2012	17.29	6.72	10.72	17.98	36.36	10.93
3 Months Ago 05-22-2012	53.71	38.17	6.23	1.90	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	75.13	12.97	4.06	7.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	57.72	26.72	10.23	5.33	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 08-23-2011	50.62	35.57	13.01	0.80	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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