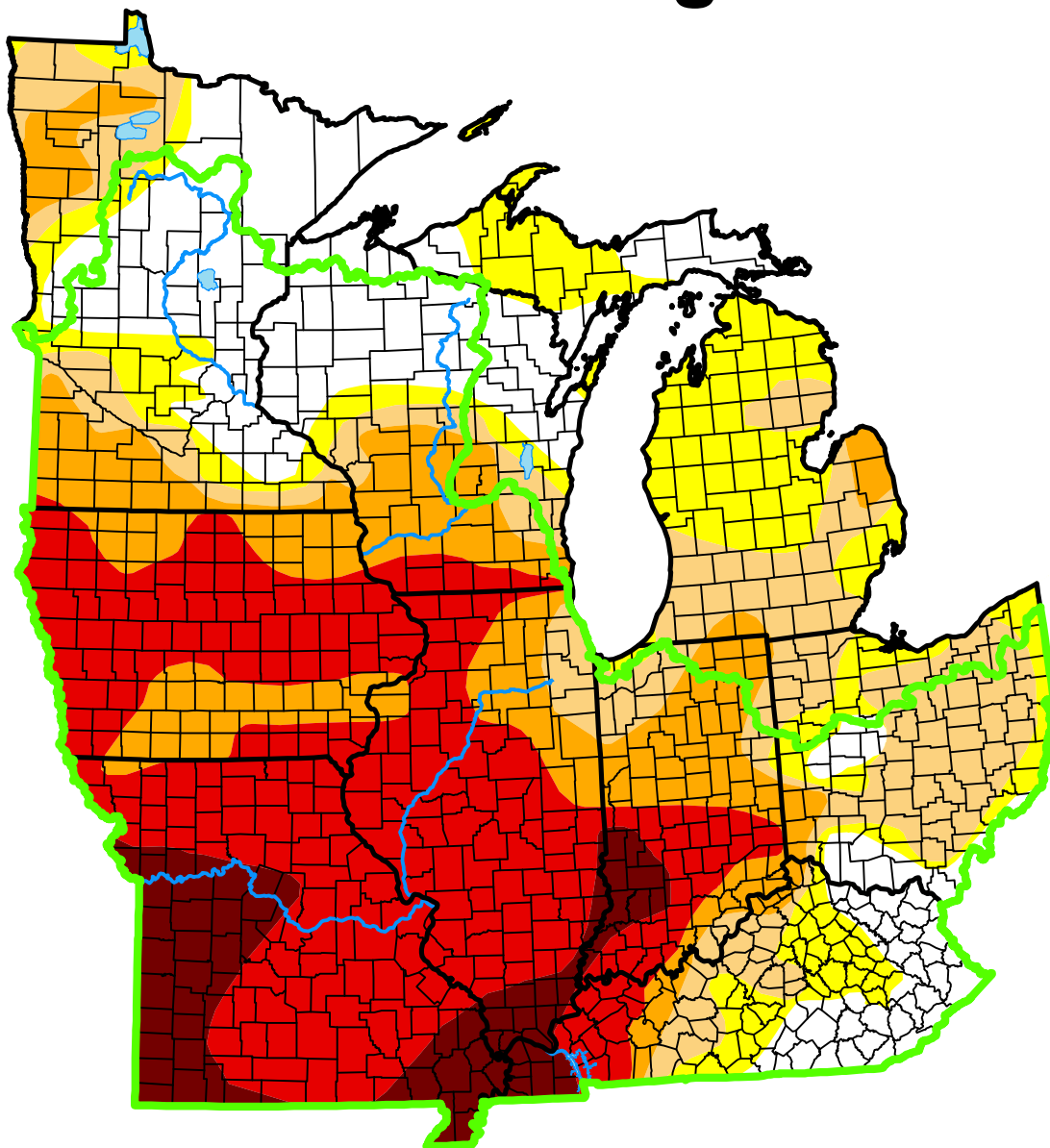


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	16.39	83.61	76.34	65.11	46.83	9.58
Last Week <i>08-14-2012</i>	17.29	82.71	75.99	65.27	47.29	10.93
3 Months Ago <i>05-22-2012</i>	53.71	46.29	8.13	1.90	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>08-23-2011</i>	50.62	49.38	13.81	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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