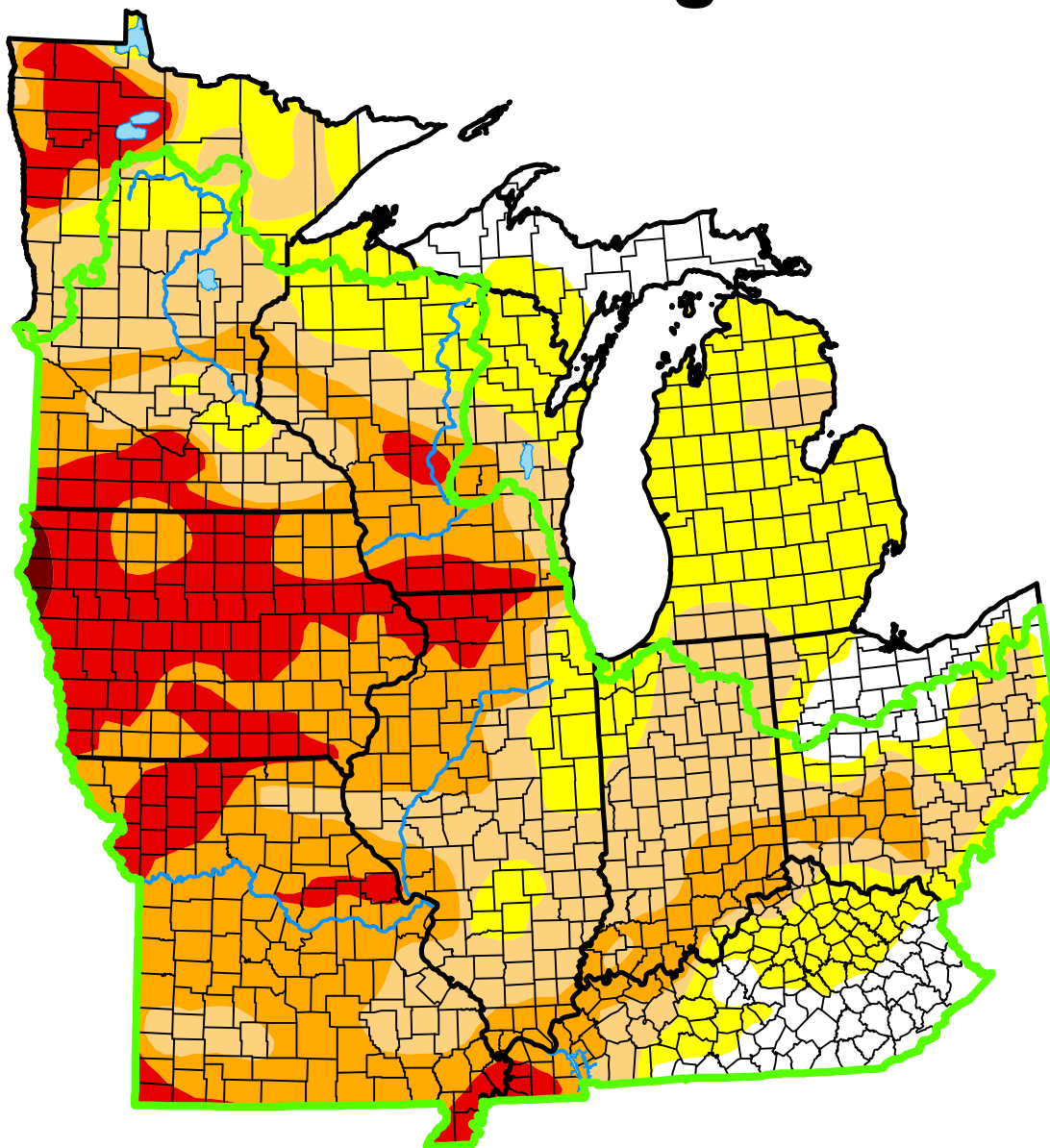


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 5.51  | 94.49 | 79.92 | 51.64 | 17.46 | 0.38 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-18-2012</i>              | 5.11  | 94.89 | 79.43 | 49.25 | 16.29 | 0.36 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-26-2012</i>           | 22.24 | 77.76 | 54.37 | 19.36 | 6.69  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 75.13 | 24.87 | 11.90 | 7.84  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 57.72 | 42.28 | 15.57 | 5.33  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>           | 57.72 | 42.28 | 15.57 | 5.33  | 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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