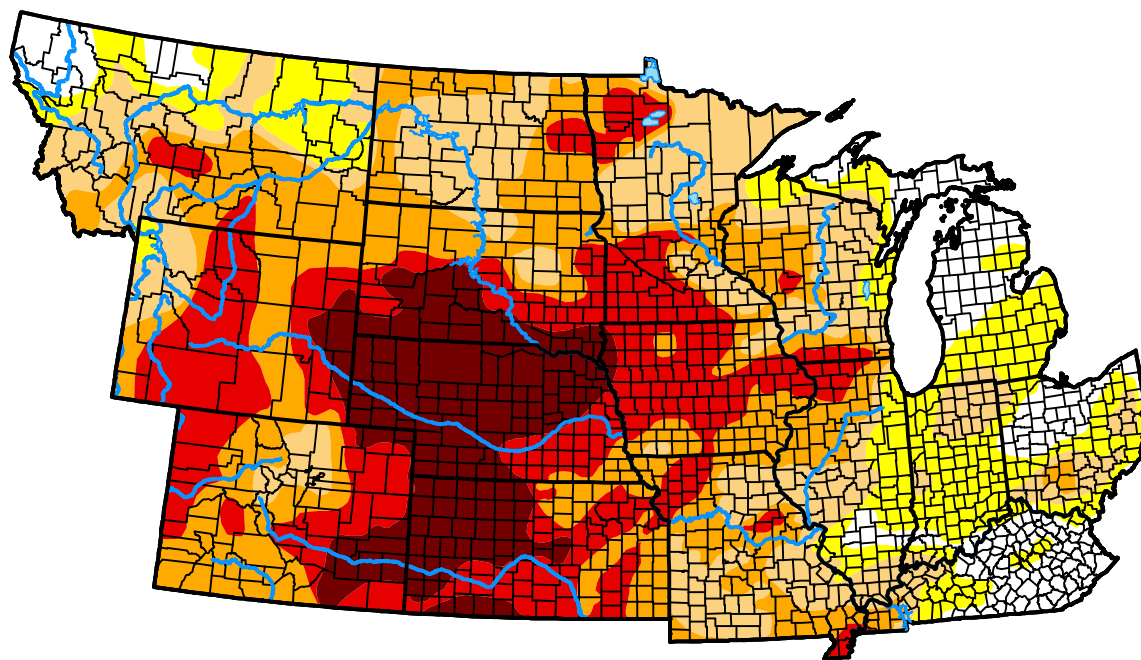


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	8.17	12.41	22.18	24.53	20.49	12.22
Last Week 10-09-2012	5.59	13.63	21.09	25.45	21.67	12.57
3 Months Ago 07-17-2012	12.12	14.10	20.67	35.58	16.55	0.96
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	68.31	17.88	8.08	4.81	0.90	0.02
Start of Water Year 09-25-2012	6.17	13.13	22.09	24.64	23.11	10.86
One Year Ago 10-18-2011	69.96	15.06	6.90	5.18	1.77	1.13

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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