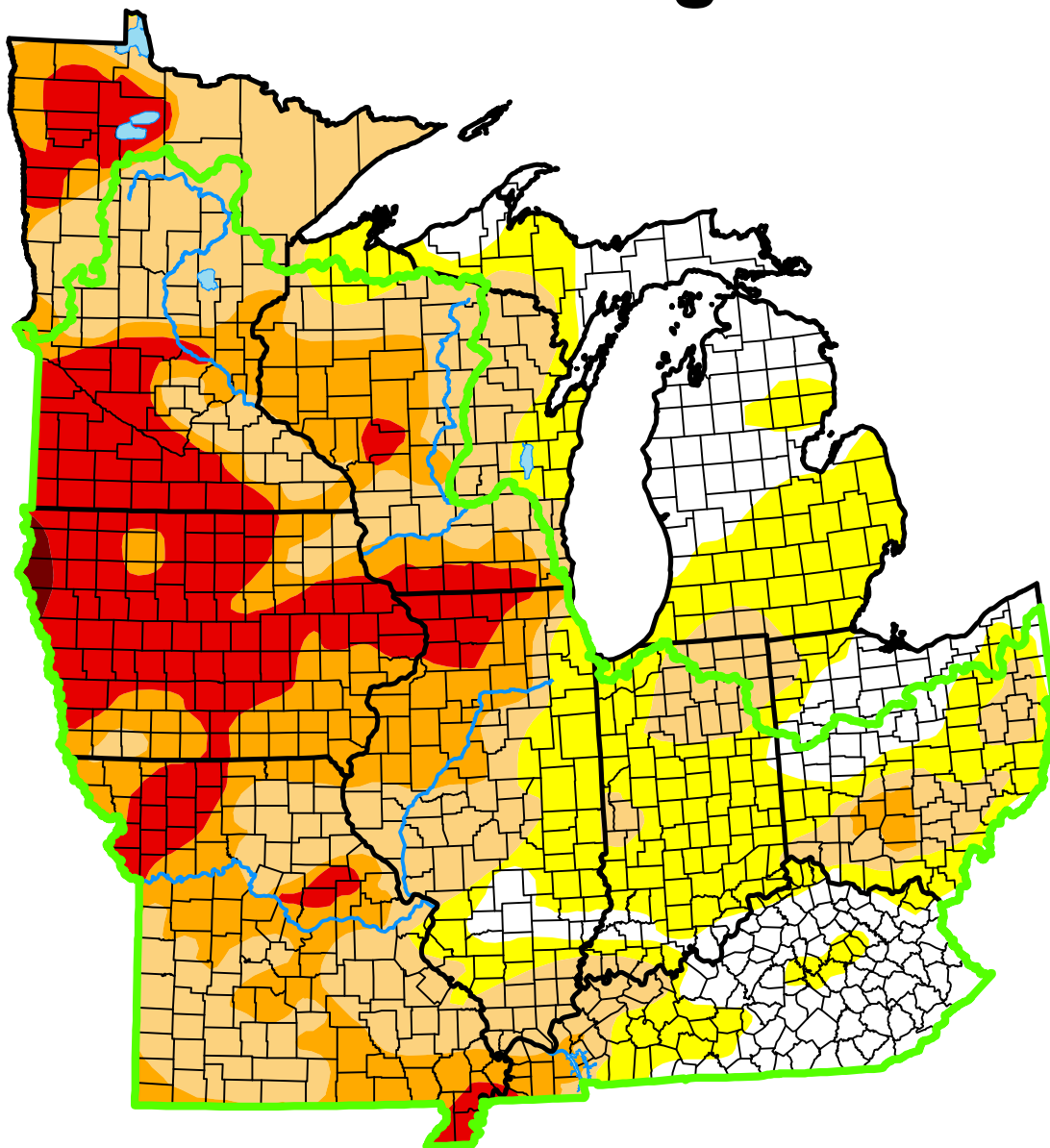


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 10.03 | 17.27 | 30.63 | 23.44 | 18.24 | 0.38 |
| Last Week <i>10-09-2012</i> | 9.90 | 15.87 | 25.34 | 29.63 | 18.87 | 0.38 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>07-17-2012</i> | 10.57 | 8.10 | 24.14 | 42.28 | 13.80 | 1.12 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i> | 75.13 | 12.97 | 4.06 | 7.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i> | 5.51 | 14.57 | 28.28 | 34.18 | 17.08 | 0.38 |
| One Year Ago <i>10-18-2011</i> | 57.31 | 22.47 | 12.44 | 7.78 | 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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