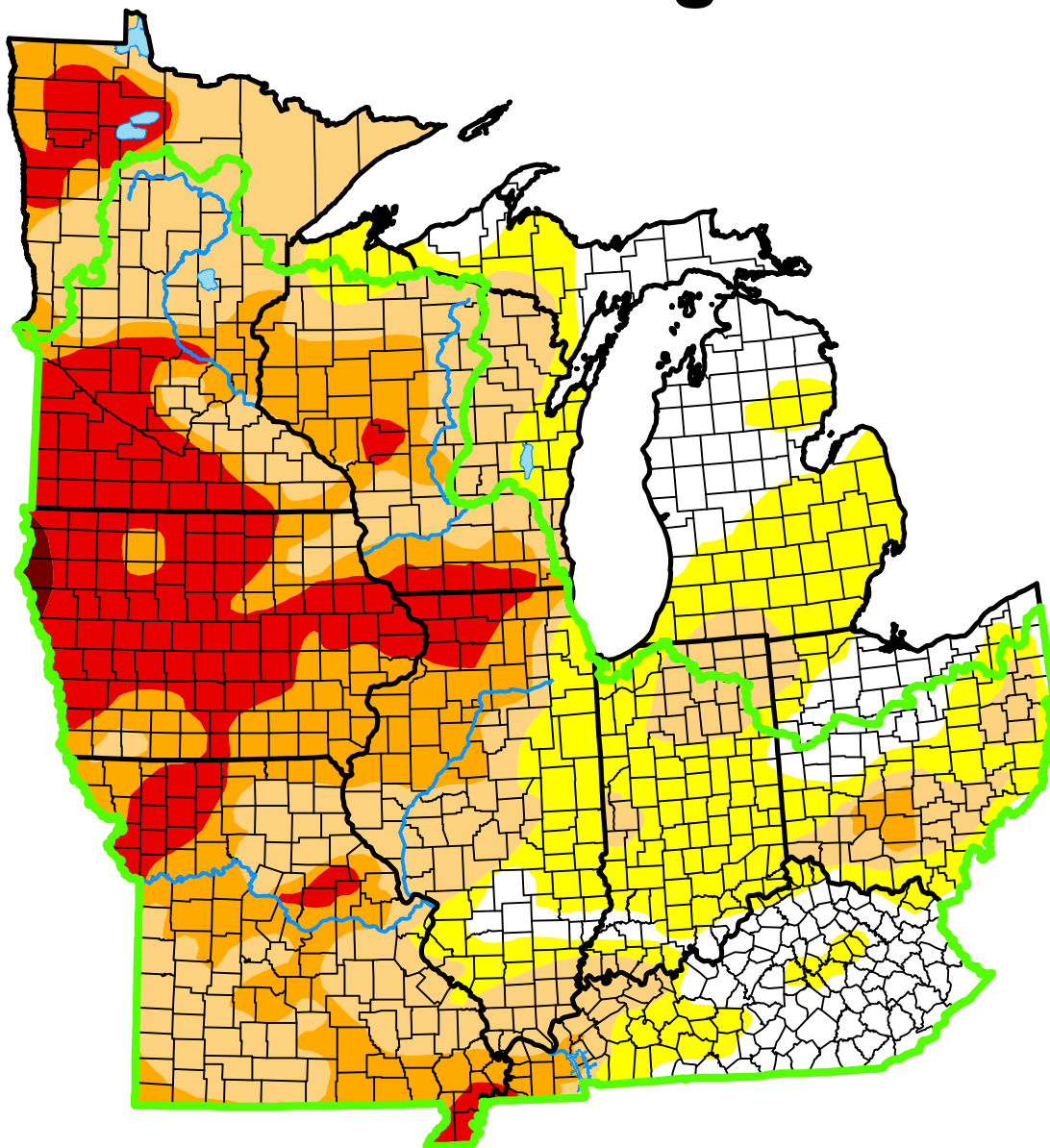


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	10.03	89.97	72.69	42.06	18.62	0.38
Last Week <i>10-09-2012</i>	9.90	90.10	74.23	48.89	19.25	0.38
3 Months Ago <i>07-17-2012</i>	10.57	89.43	81.34	57.19	14.91	1.12
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>09-25-2012</i>	5.51	94.49	79.92	51.64	17.46	0.38
One Year Ago <i>10-18-2011</i>	57.31	42.69	20.23	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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