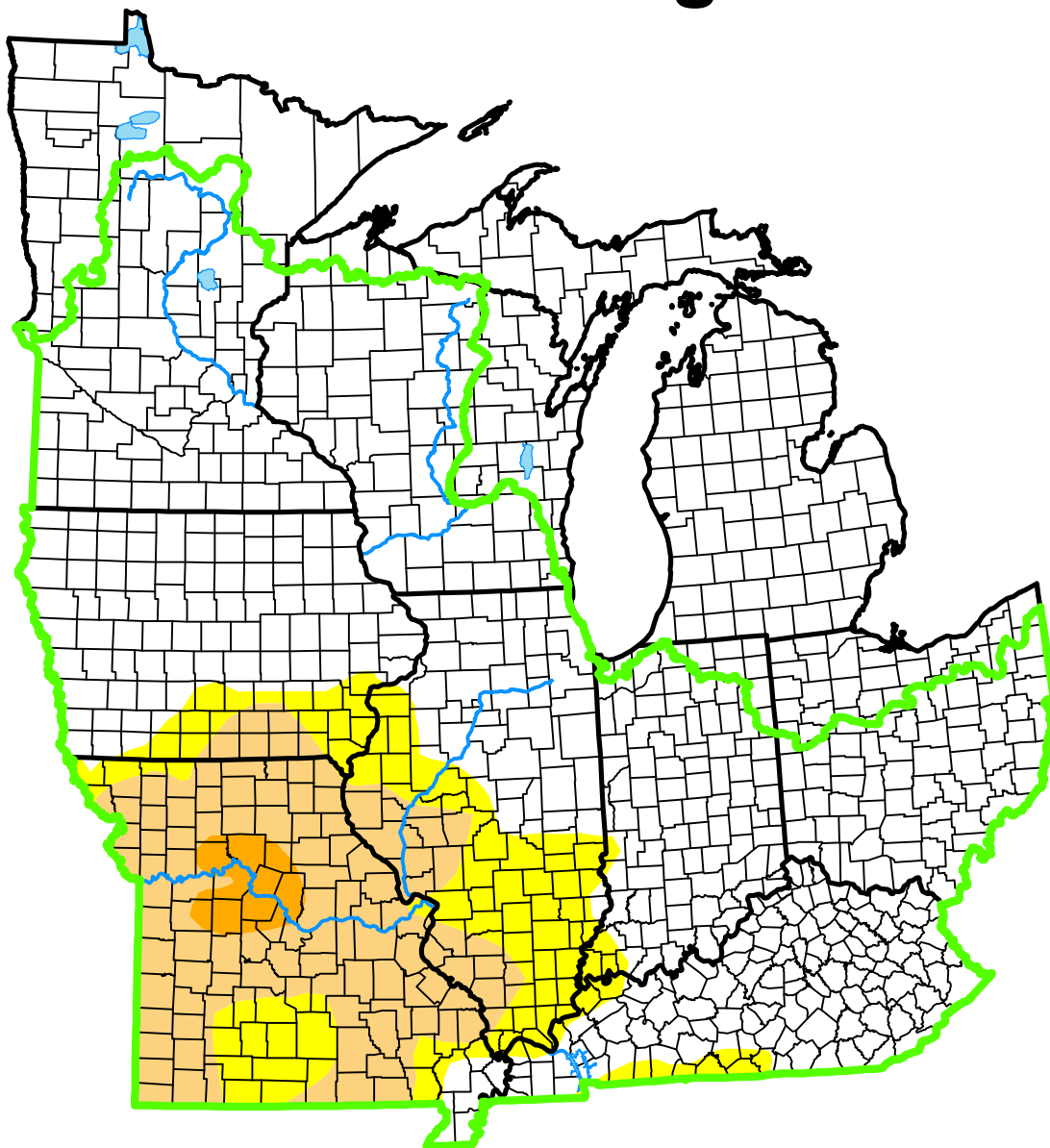


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	69.77	30.23	18.23	1.58	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-14-2017</i>	69.70	30.30	17.67	1.54	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-20-2016</i>	59.26	40.74	9.33	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2017</i>	72.28	27.72	5.96	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2016</i>	89.24	10.76	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-22-2016</i>	98.91	1.09	0.00	0.00	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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