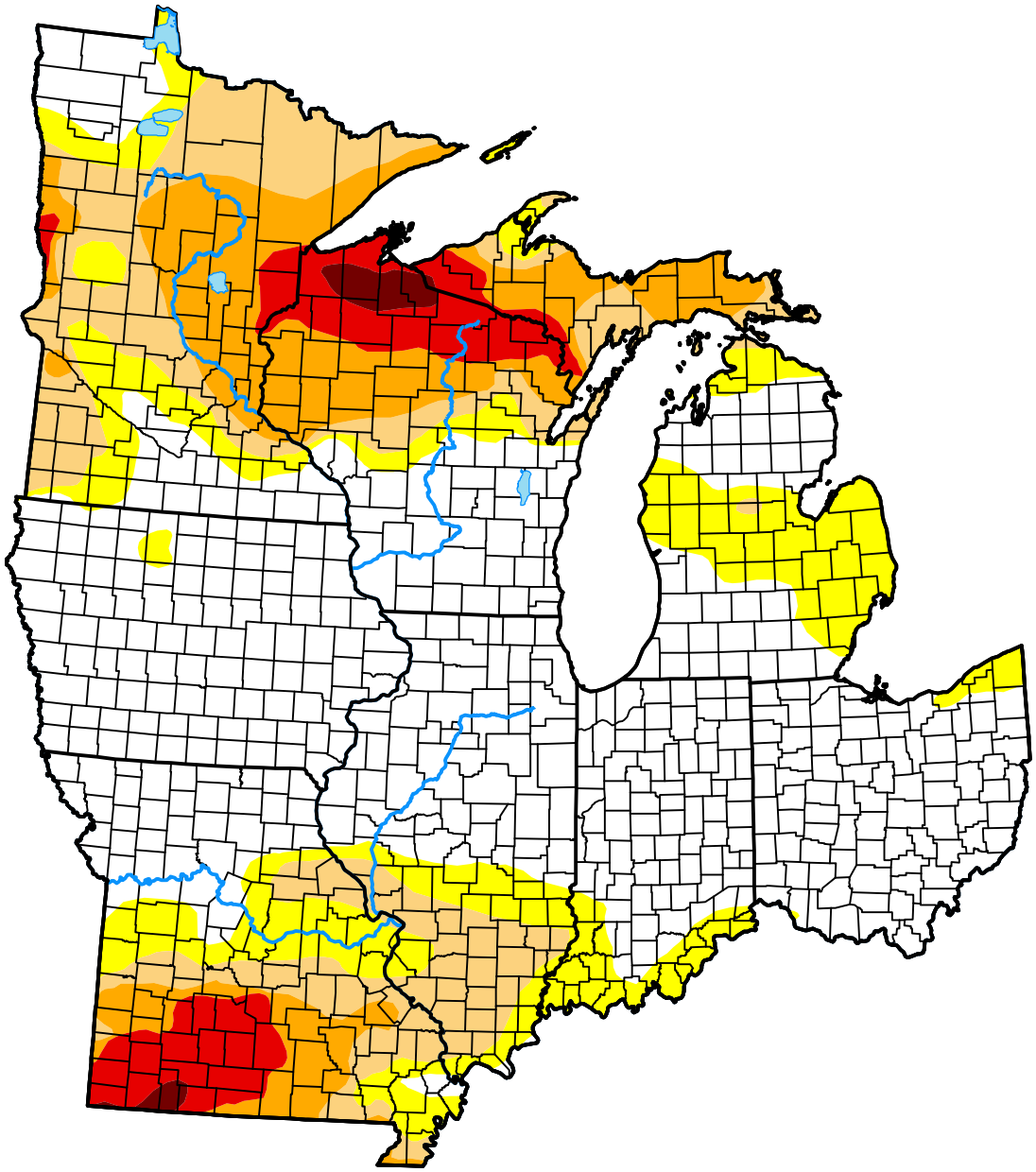
U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	53.16	15.51	14.05	11.16	5.39	0.73
Last Week *10-06-2026*	55.73	15.36	13.78	9.63	4.94	0.56
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	68.92	20.22	8.36	2.50	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	26.30	34.15	29.82	7.62	2.11	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	35.70	28.90	24.84	10.16	0.40	0.00
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	24.33	35.64	24.15	13.61	2.26	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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