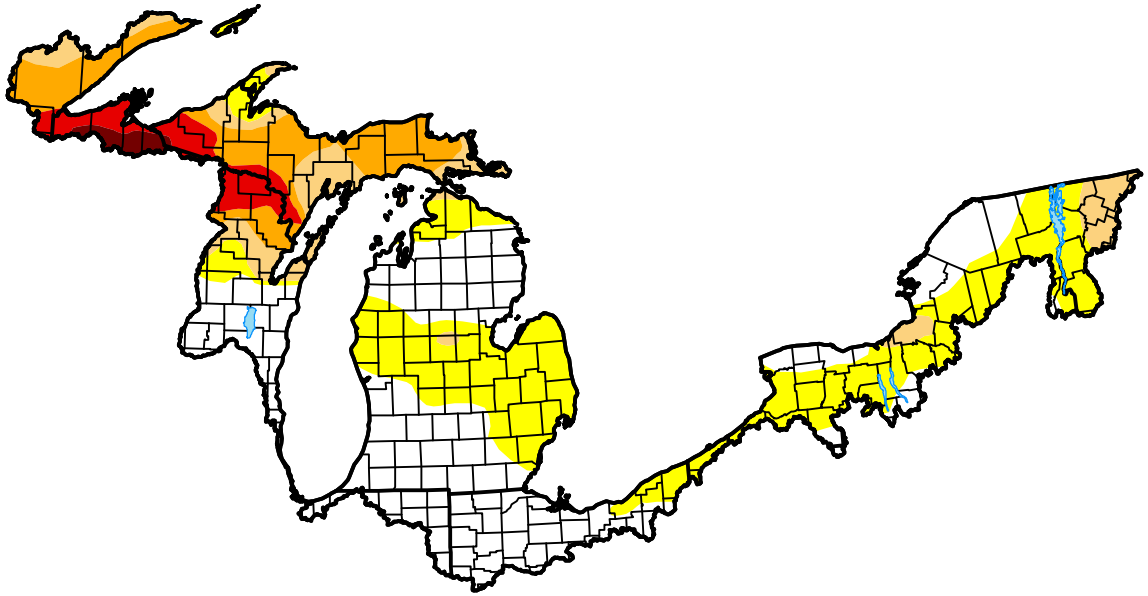
U.S. Drought Monitor

Great Lakes Watershed



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.65	32.62	9.40	11.31	4.92	1.09
Last Week *10-06-2026*	45.25	30.82	10.71	8.76	3.36	1.09
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	78.92	15.77	5.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	28.65	28.64	33.06	6.79	2.86	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	30.41	25.77	28.01	13.83	1.98	0.00
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	17.79	28.45	31.25	15.78	6.73	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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