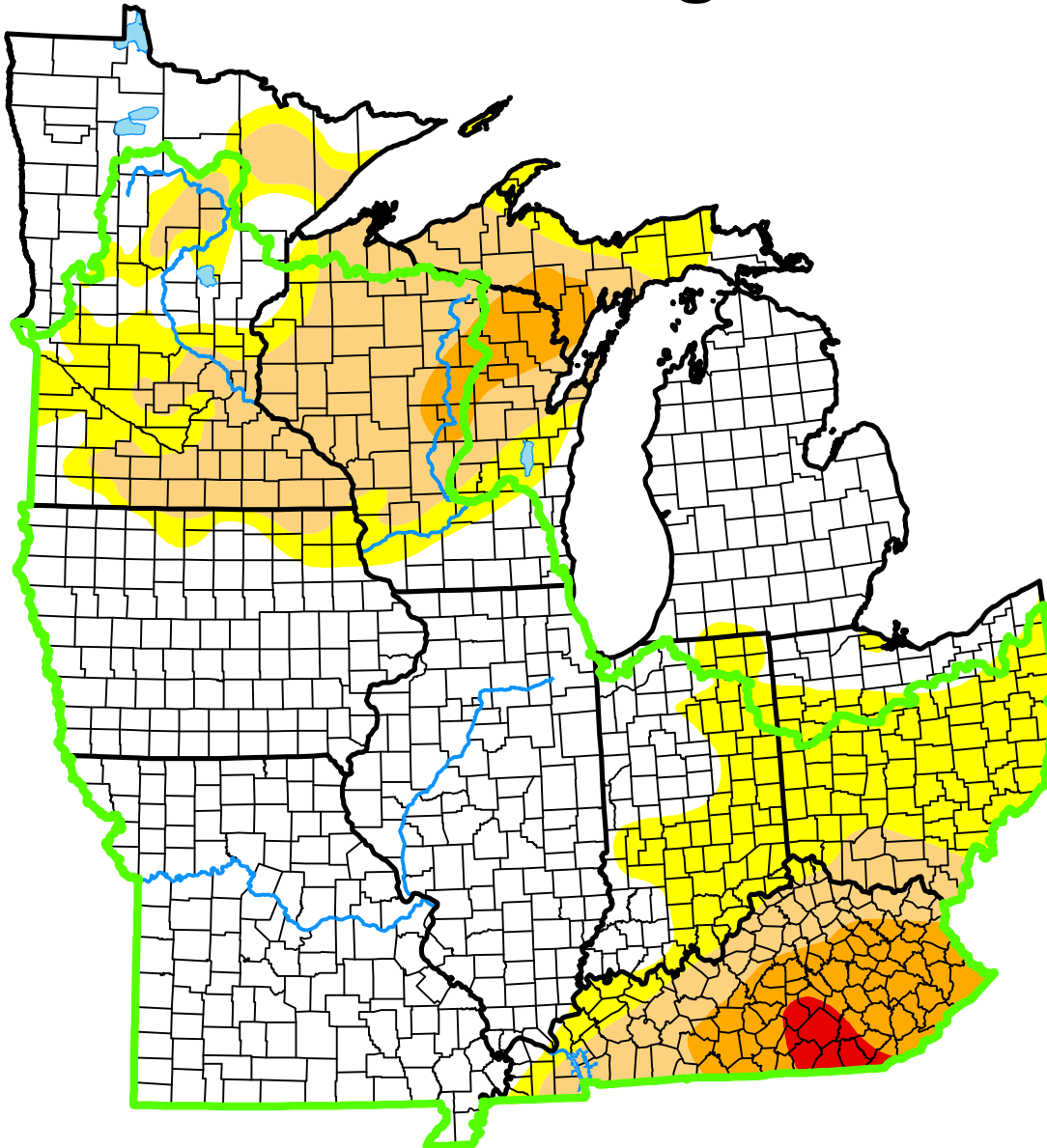


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Current | 57.76 | 19.72 | 16.30 | 5.30 | 0.92 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>10-07-2008</i> | 52.48 | 23.24 | 20.39 | 3.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>07-15-2008</i> | 92.41 | 7.49 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i> | 86.19 | 8.72 | 4.04 | 0.51 | 0.51 | 0.02 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i> | 52.03 | 23.35 | 20.72 | 3.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>10-16-2007</i> | 56.69 | 8.88 | 12.24 | 8.05 | 12.39 | 1.74 |

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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