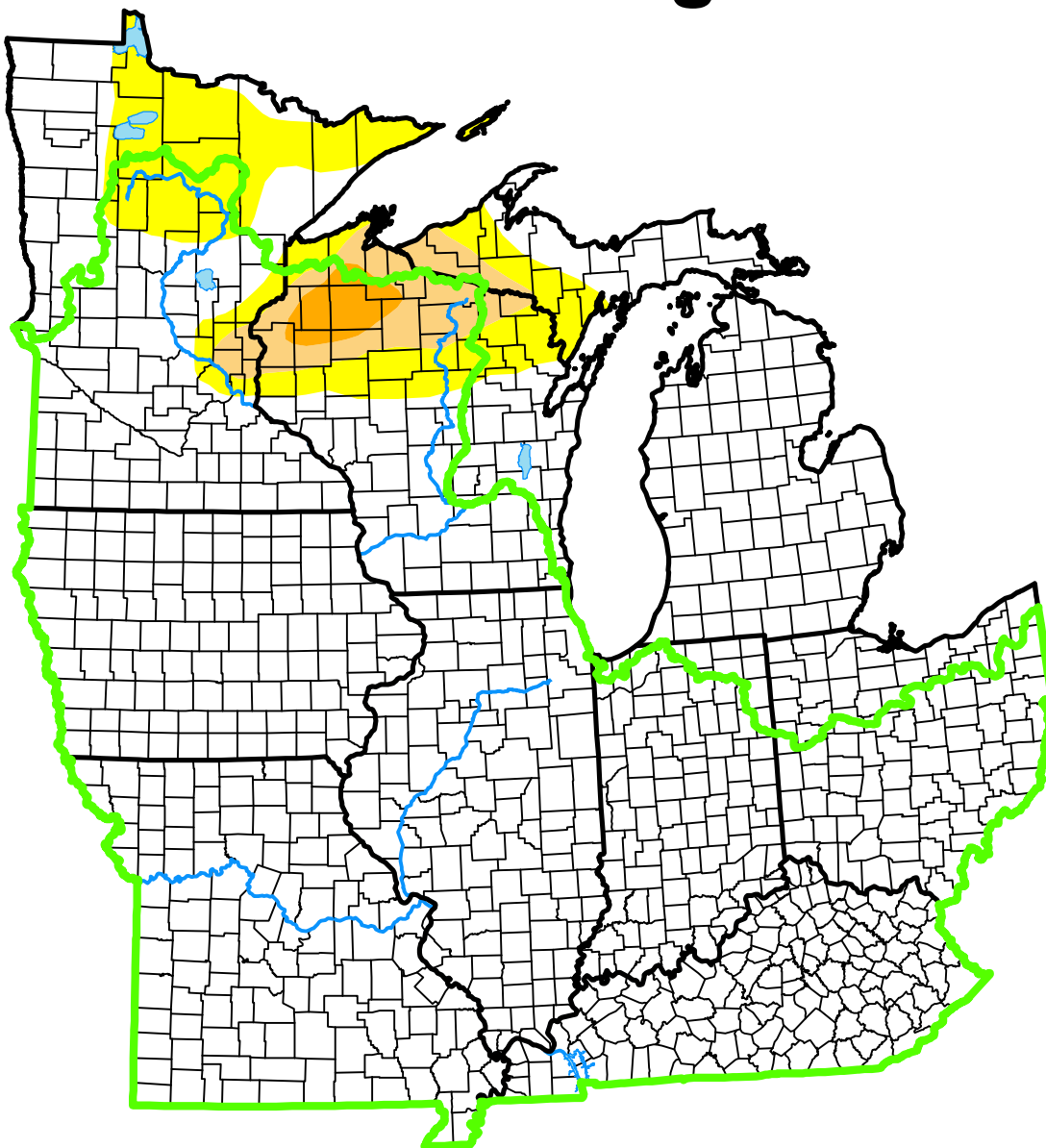


U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	92.67	3.98	2.34	1.01	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-15-2009</i>	92.67	3.98	2.34	1.01	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-22-2009</i>	67.01	19.28	8.81	3.30	1.59	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	72.38	11.68	12.03	3.90	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	72.90	13.94	7.43	4.03	1.70	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-23-2008</i>	64.99	16.24	12.10	6.66	0.00	0.00

(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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