

U.S. Drought Monitor

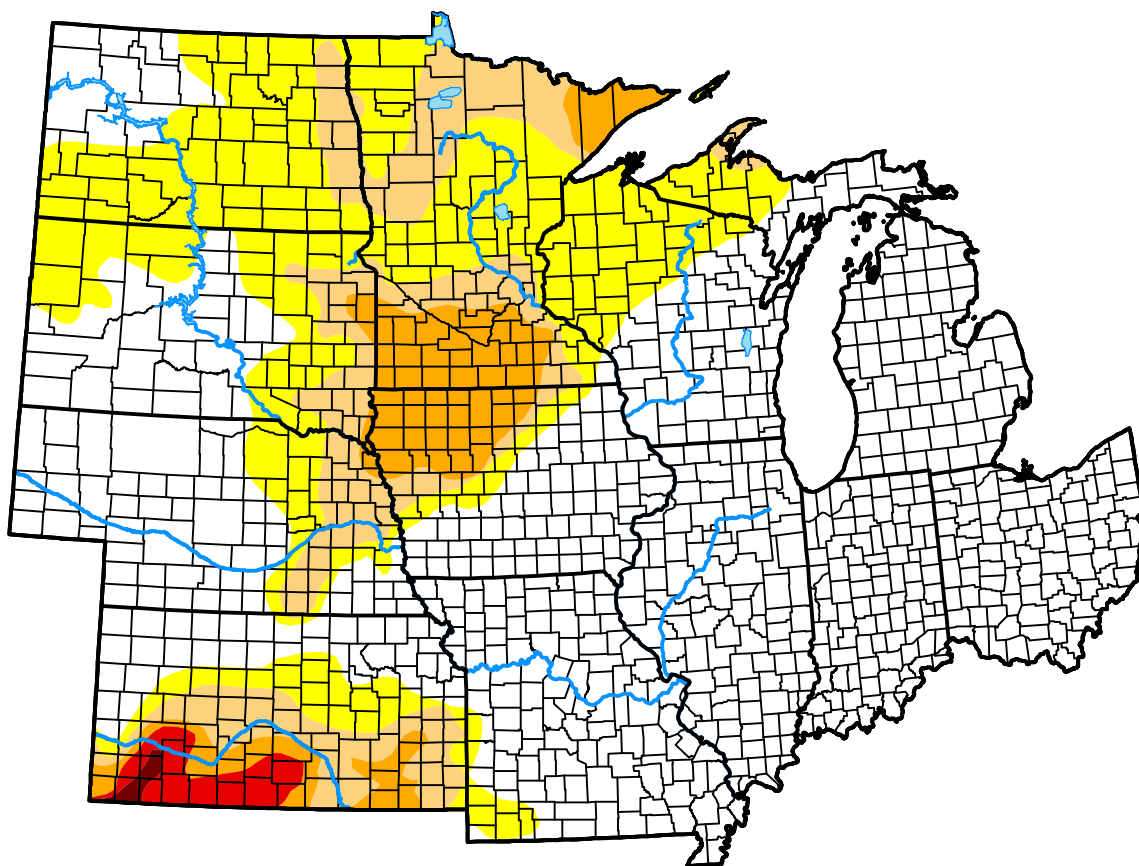
North Central States

December 20, 2011
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 59.53 | 40.47 | 17.60 | 7.45 | 1.37 | 0.17 |
| Last Week <i>12-13-2011</i> | 57.98 | 42.02 | 17.41 | 8.28 | 1.54 | 0.16 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2011</i> | 54.86 | 45.14 | 19.25 | 9.59 | 2.93 | 1.89 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i> | 76.54 | 23.46 | 5.87 | 0.82 | 0.19 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i> | 59.58 | 40.42 | 16.96 | 8.51 | 3.07 | 1.89 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-21-2010</i> | 78.58 | 21.42 | 6.26 | 0.70 | 0.19 | 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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