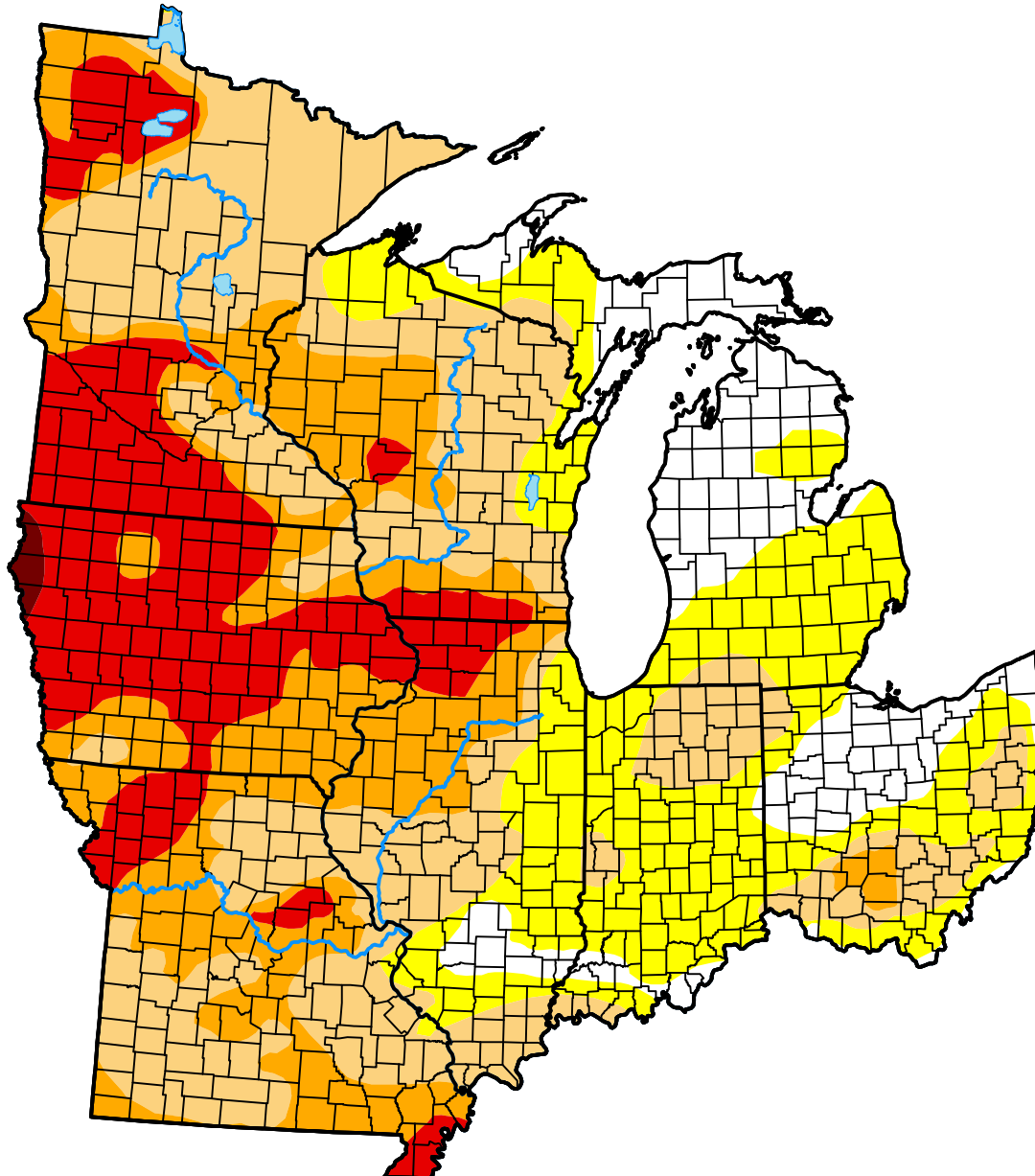


U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	10.98	20.15	32.05	19.99	16.52	0.31
Last Week <i>10-09-2012</i>	5.81	22.49	29.07	25.52	16.81	0.31
3 Months Ago <i>07-17-2012</i>	15.02	12.45	24.04	37.34	10.93	0.22
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	69.36	15.99	7.26	7.40	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	5.99	22.94	27.18	27.96	15.62	0.31
One Year Ago <i>10-18-2011</i>	58.12	23.75	11.38	6.74	0.00	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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