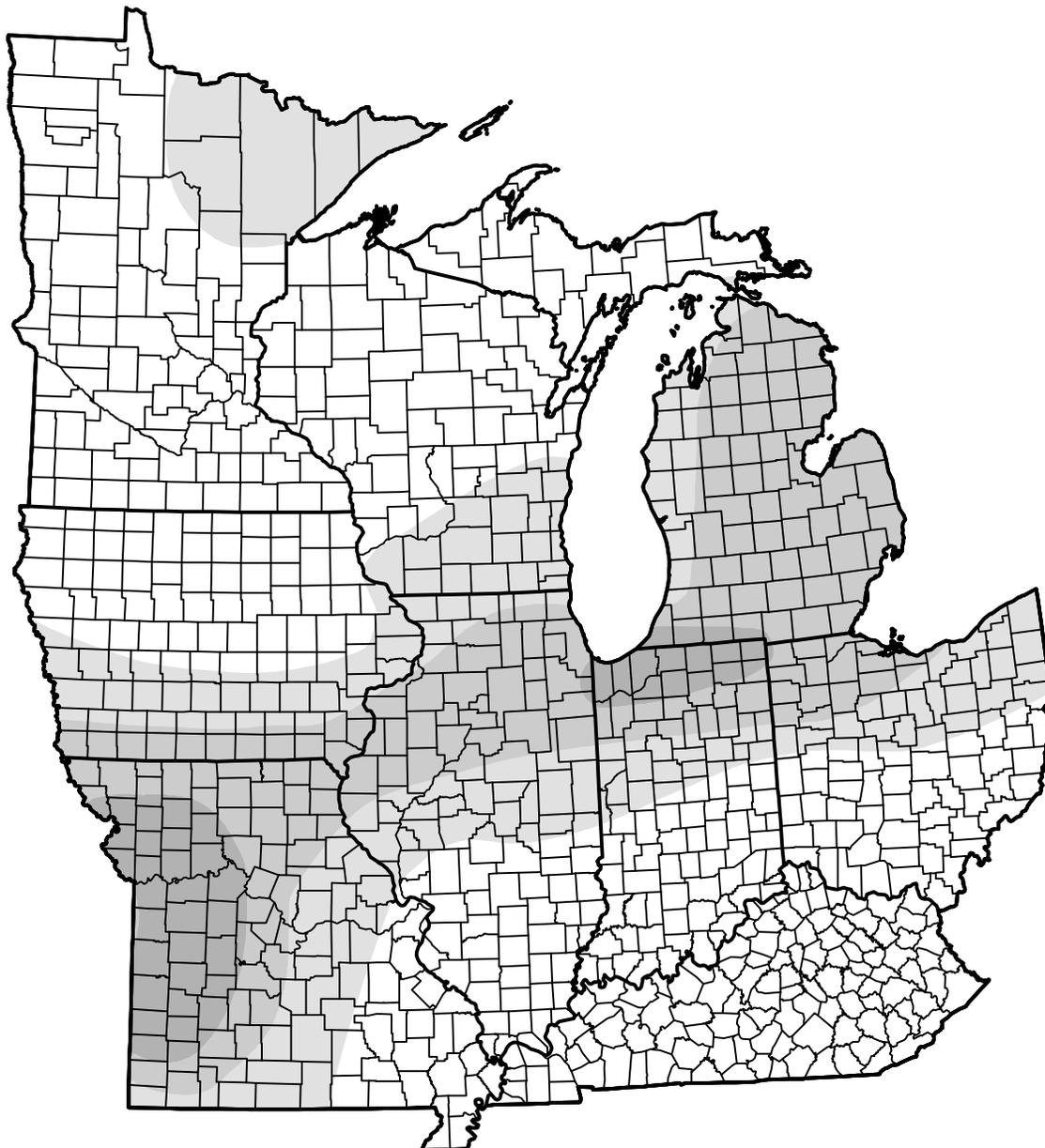


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Midwest

**December 24, 2002**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 26, 2002)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	55.68	20.78	18.43	5.11	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	54.18	21.73	19.15	4.94	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-24-2002</i>	60.70	15.00	18.37	5.93	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	94.46	5.49	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	57.19	25.80	14.16	2.85	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-25-2001</i>	95.75	4.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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