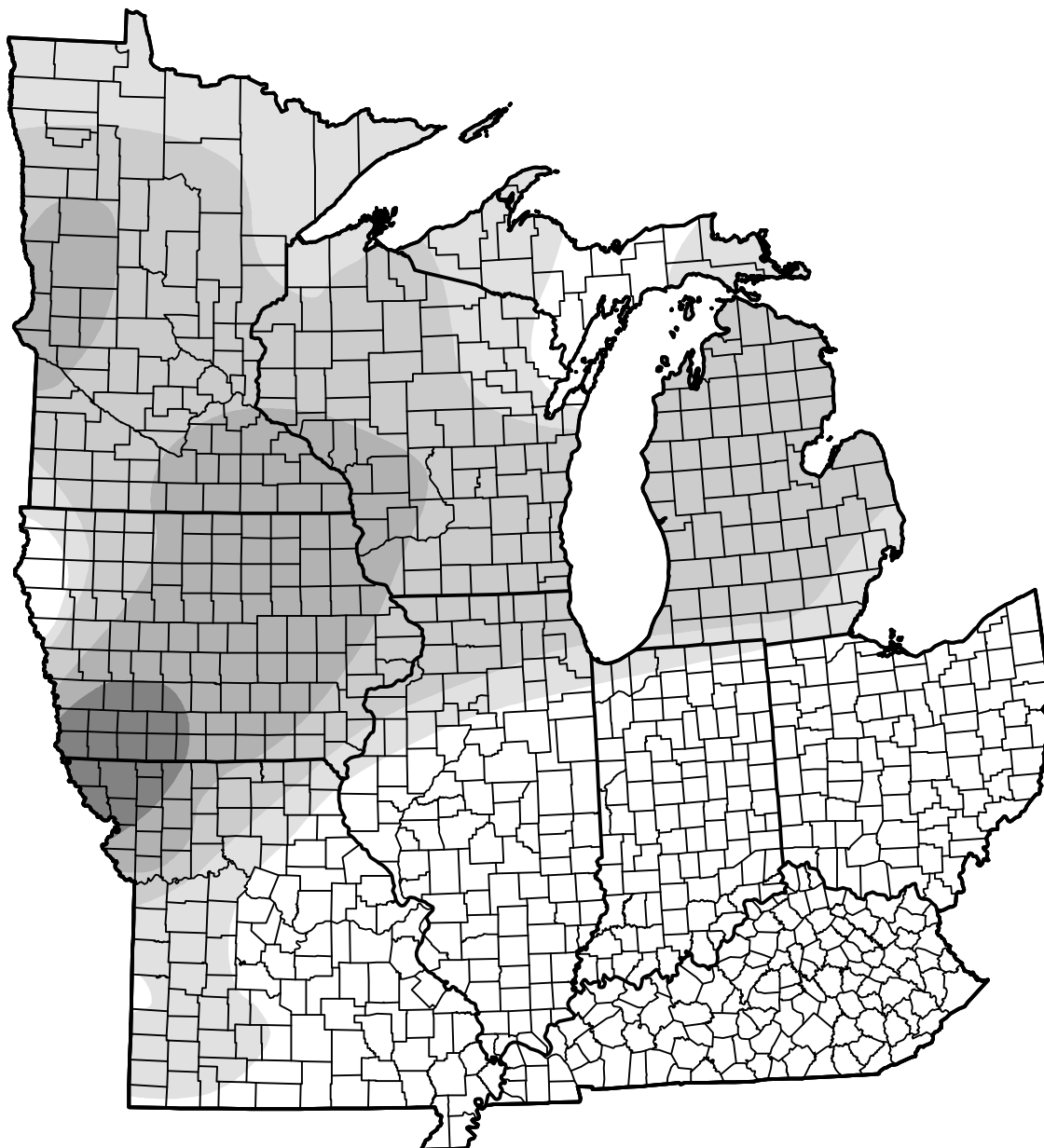


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	41.18	58.82	43.08	14.78	1.91	0.00
Last Week <i>09-16-2003</i>	42.52	57.48	43.36	17.48	1.93	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-24-2003</i>	58.80	41.20	12.92	2.36	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	51.12	48.88	24.16	5.50	1.21	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	57.19	42.81	17.01	2.85	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-24-2002</i>	60.70	39.30	24.30	5.93	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate 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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