

U.S. Drought Monitor

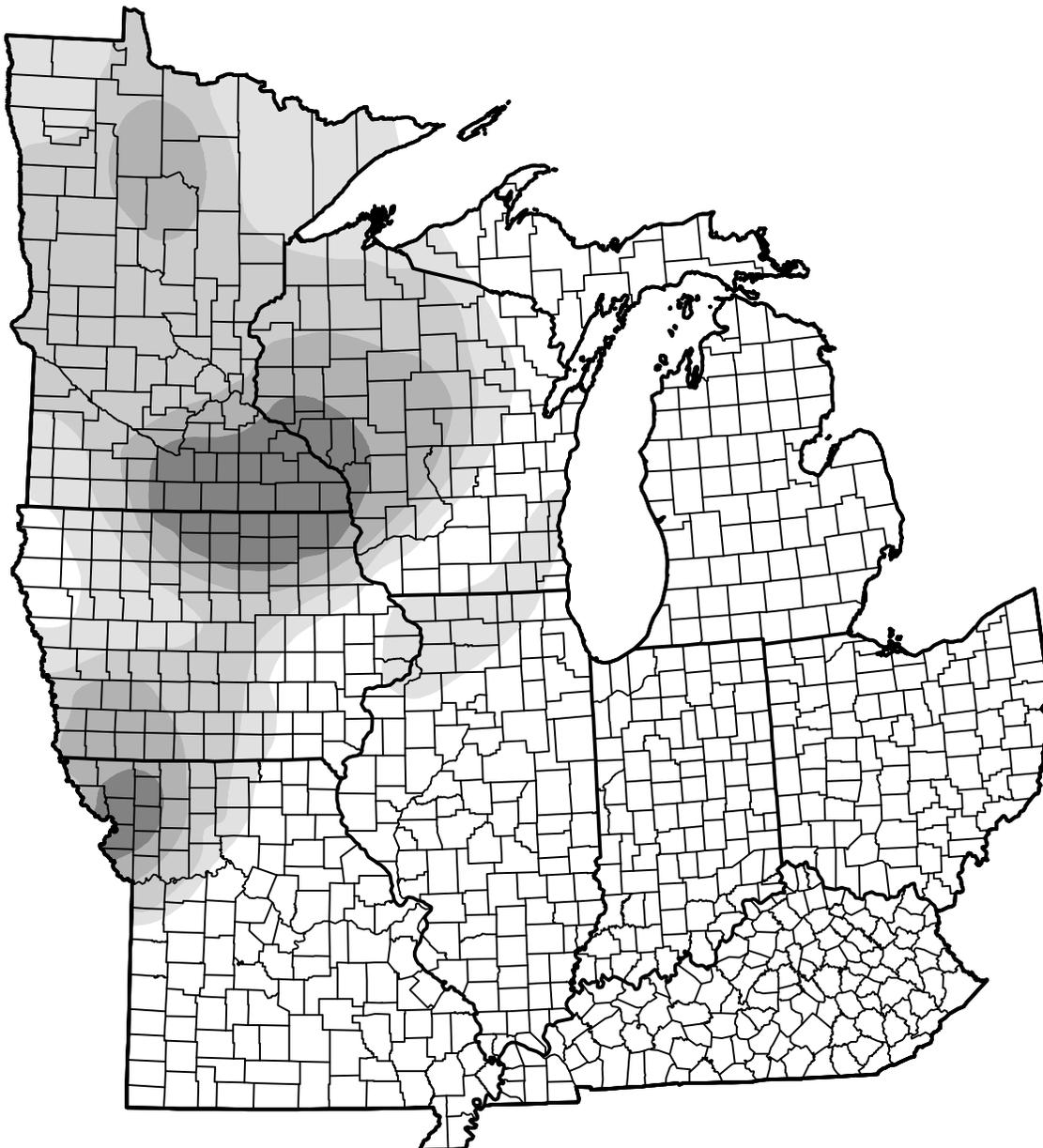
Midwest

December 16, 2003
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 62.40 | 37.60 | 26.60 | 11.61 | 4.28 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>12-09-2003</i> | 57.30 | 42.70 | 29.60 | 10.48 | 4.80 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2003</i> | 42.52 | 57.48 | 43.36 | 17.48 | 1.93 | 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>09-30-2003</i> | 44.04 | 55.96 | 39.82 | 14.66 | 2.52 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-17-2002</i> | 54.18 | 45.82 | 24.09 | 4.94 | 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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