

# U.S. Drought Monitor

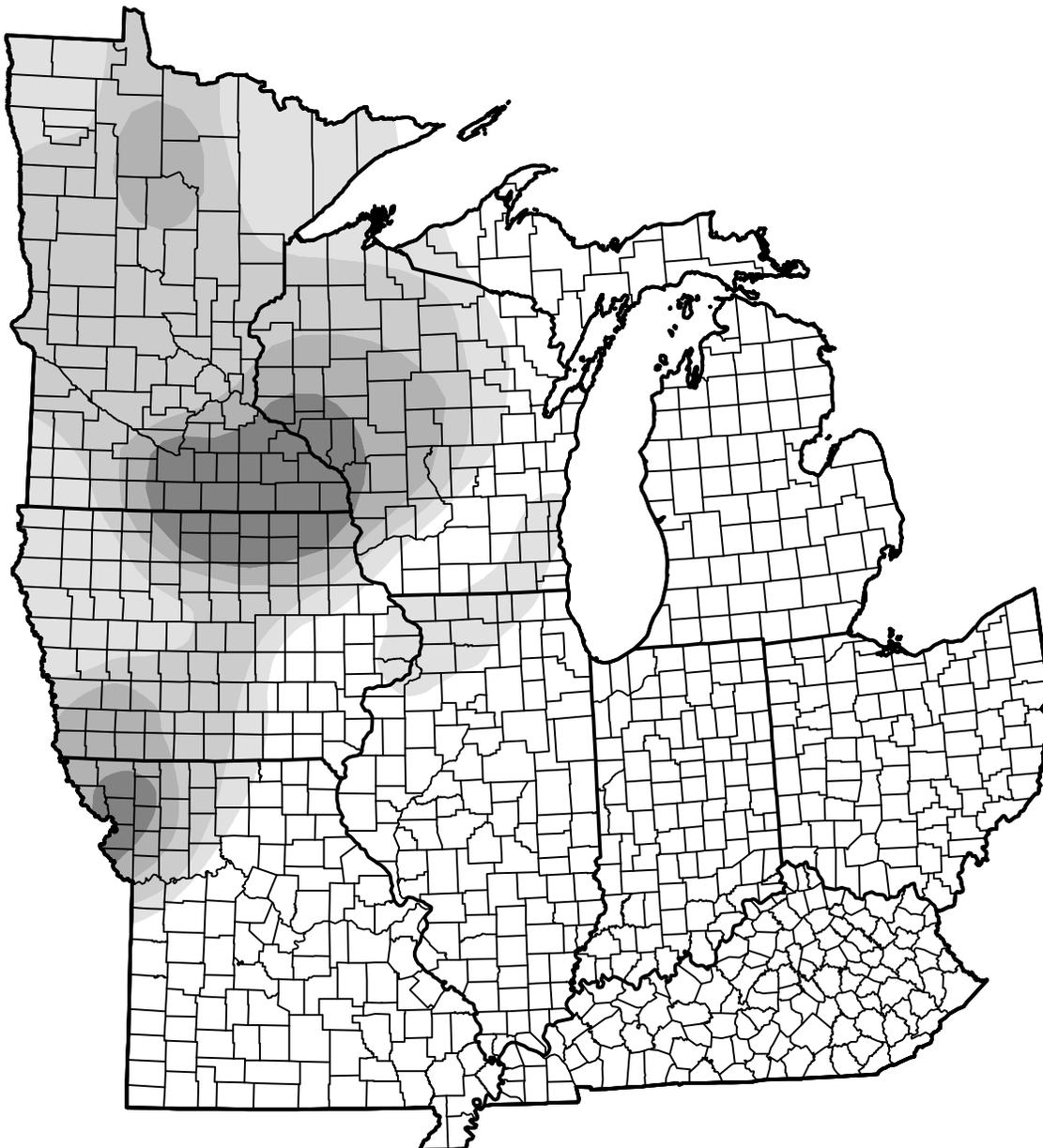
## Midwest

**December 23, 2003**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	62.11	11.90	15.13	6.65	4.22	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-16-2003</i>	62.40	11.01	14.98	7.34	4.28	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-23-2003</i>	41.18	15.74	28.30	12.87	1.91	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	51.12	24.72	18.65	4.30	1.21	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	44.04	16.14	25.16	12.14	2.52	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-24-2002</i>	55.68	20.78	18.43	5.11	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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