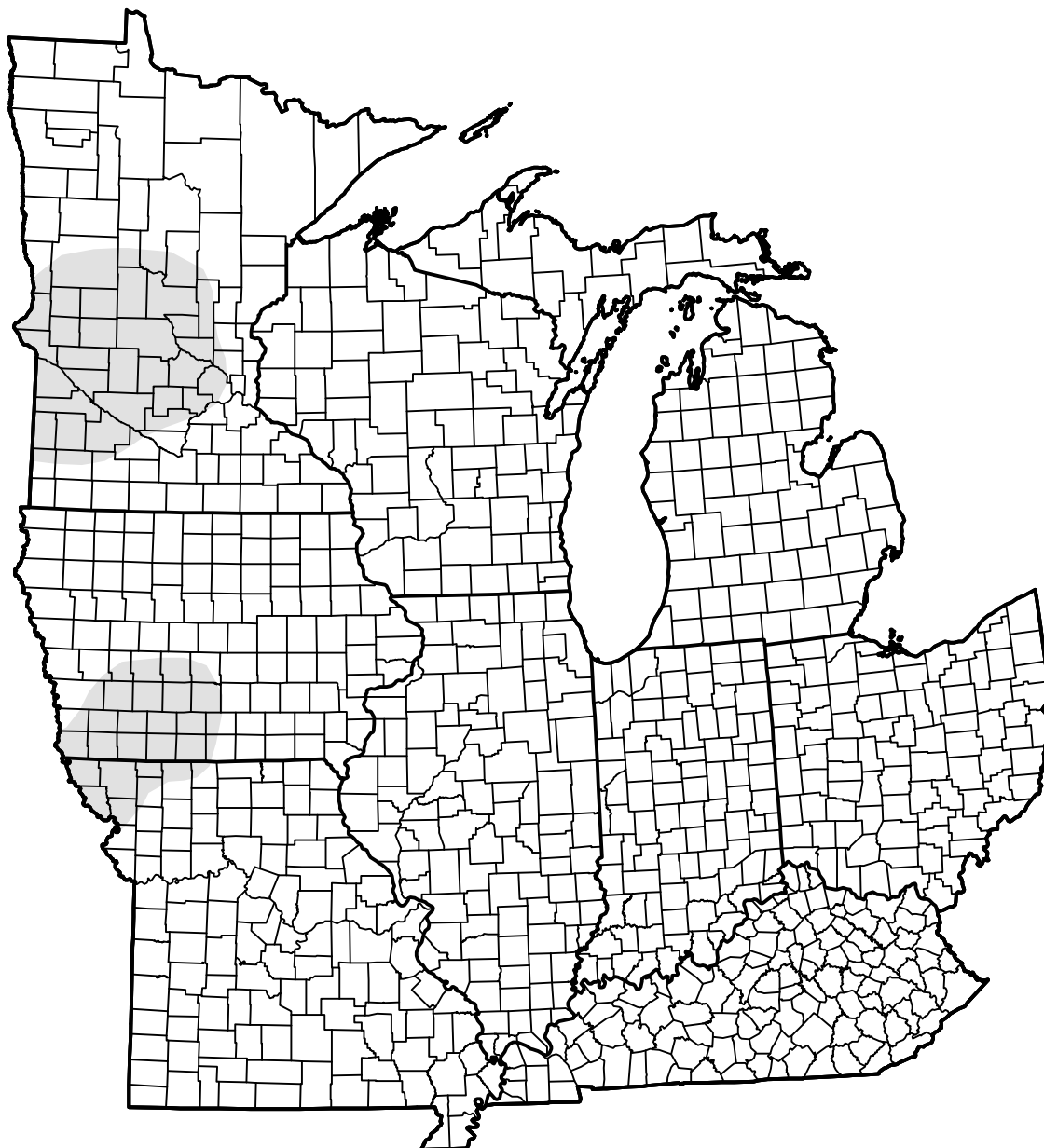


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest



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**Valid 7 a.m. EST**

## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 92.88 | 7.12  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-15-2005</i>              | 92.61 | 7.39  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-21-2004</i>           | 94.79 | 5.21  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 88.70 | 11.30 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 74.41 | 24.86 | 0.73  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-23-2004</i>           | 74.47 | 5.46  | 17.65 | 2.43 | 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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