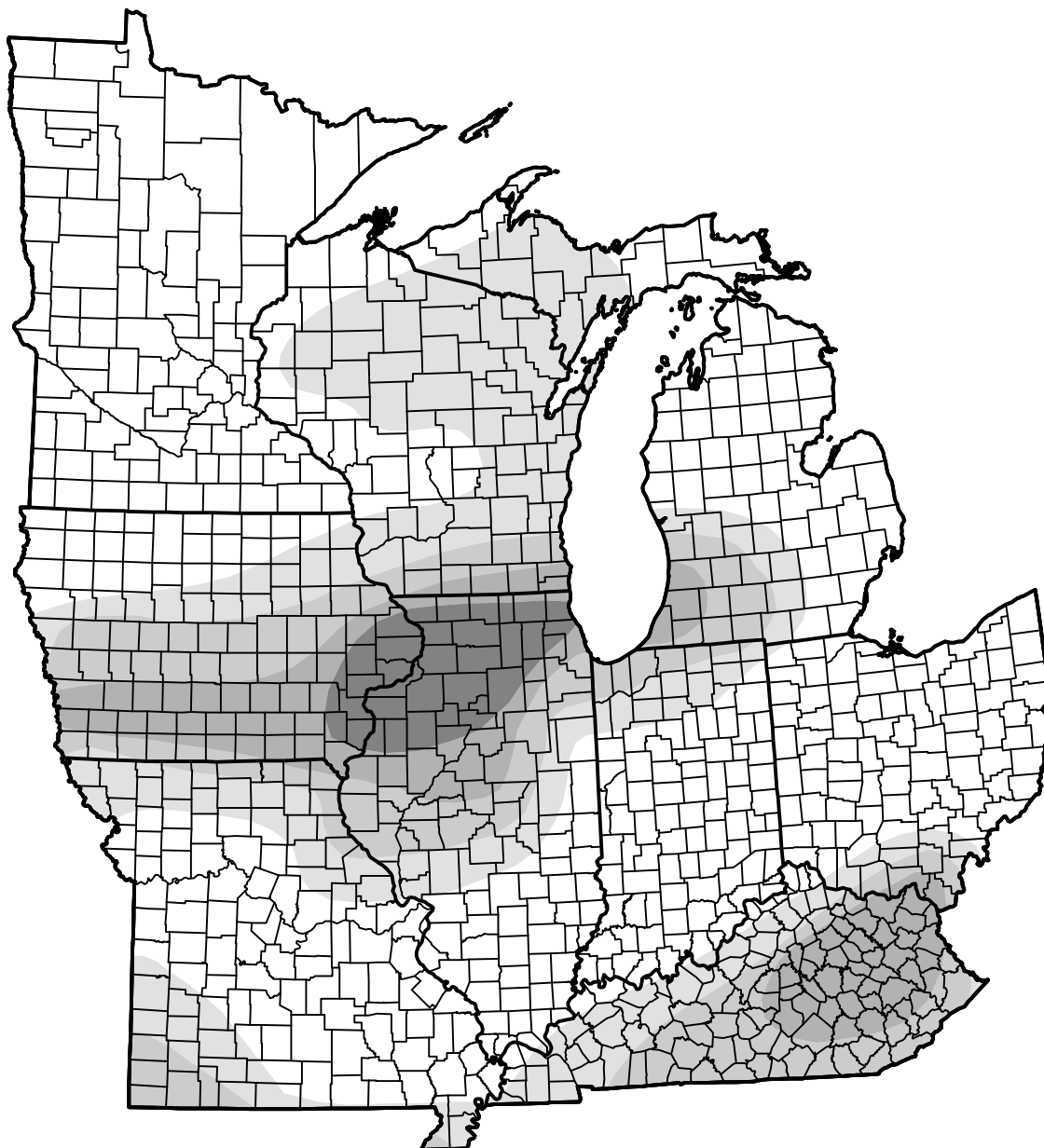


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.96	43.04	23.00	11.42	3.44	0.00
Last Week <i>12-06-2005</i>	56.88	43.12	23.78	11.42	3.44	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-13-2005</i>	43.39	56.61	34.32	18.30	6.15	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	88.70	11.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.84	47.16	29.10	12.27	2.22	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-14-2004</i>	97.34	2.66	0.00	0.00	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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