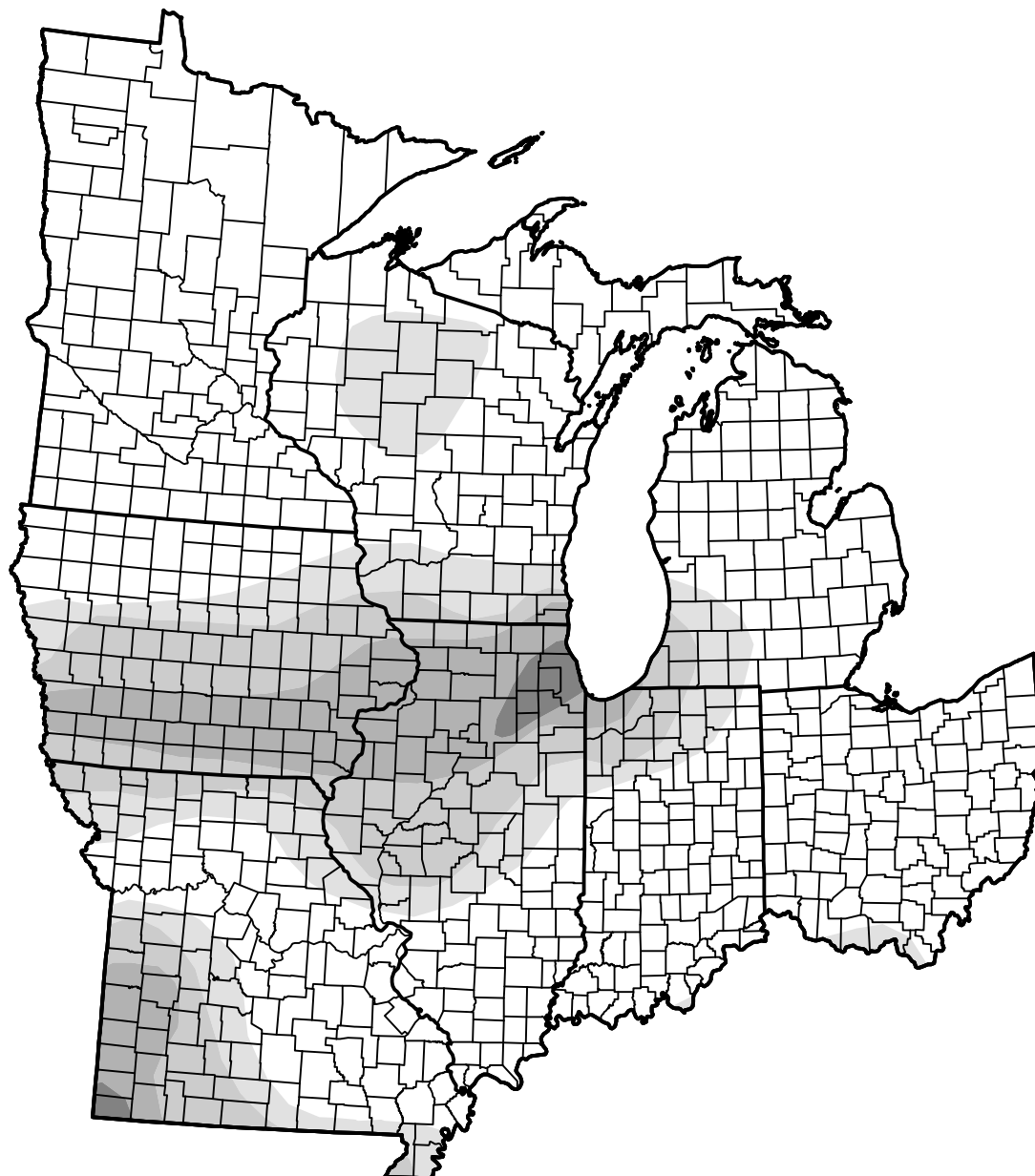


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

**January 31, 2006**  
 (Released Thursday, Feb. 2, 2006)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 68.24 | 11.96 | 10.95 | 8.06  | 0.79 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-24-2006</i>              | 62.74 | 14.70 | 11.20 | 7.57  | 3.79 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-01-2005</i>           | 49.25 | 27.89 | 12.01 | 6.83  | 4.02 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 62.66 | 18.00 | 10.03 | 6.04  | 3.27 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 52.29 | 18.16 | 16.20 | 10.93 | 2.42 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-01-2005</i>           | 89.22 | 10.52 | 0.26  | 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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