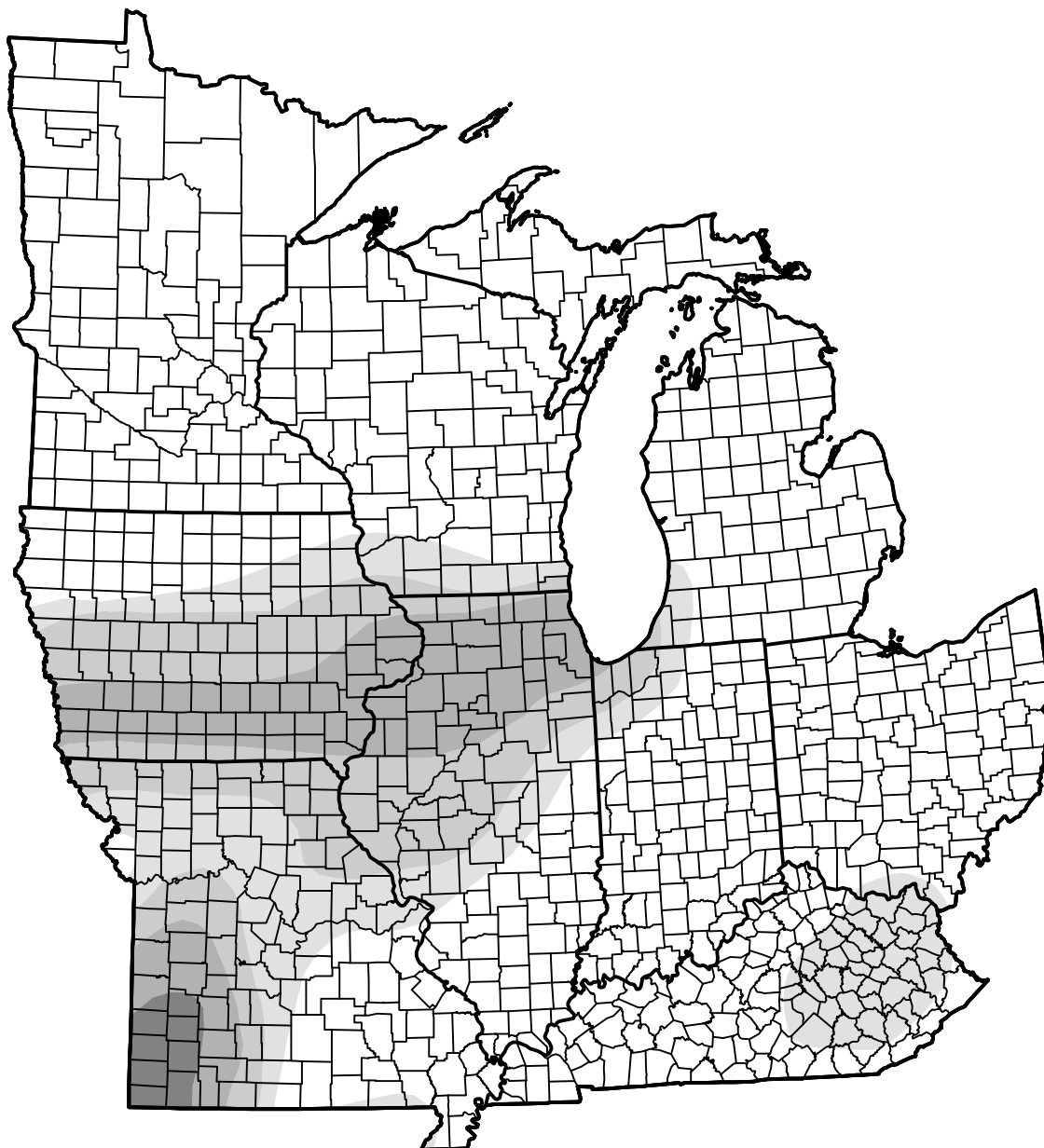


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	69.60	11.06	10.40	7.95	1.00	0.00
Last Week <i>02-14-2006</i>	66.96	14.27	9.72	8.18	0.87	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2005</i>	55.15	20.64	13.32	7.44	3.45	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.15	19.10	13.13	6.61	3.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.84	18.06	16.83	10.04	2.22	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-22-2005</i>	92.51	7.49	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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