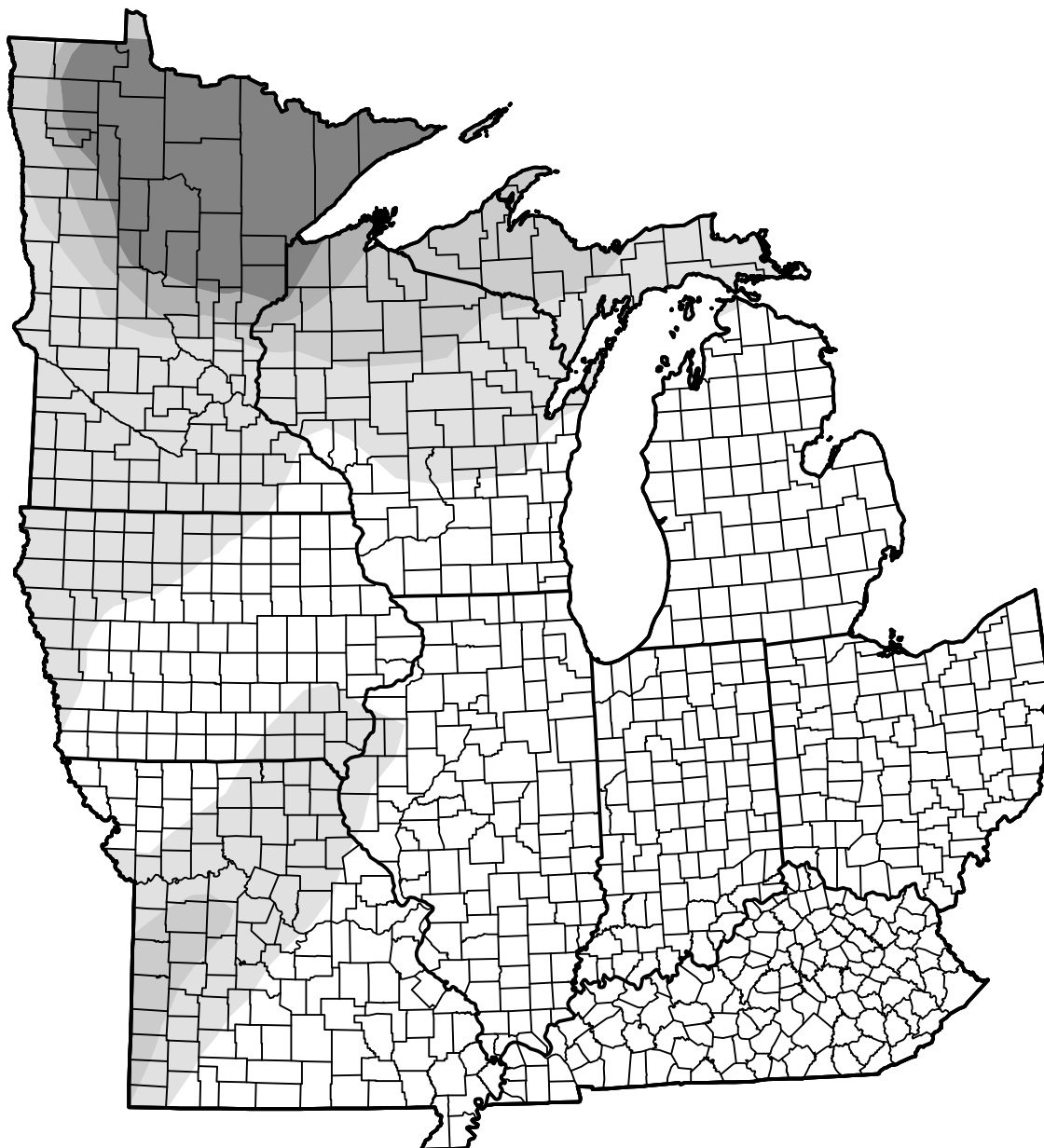


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	62.27	37.73	15.96	8.86	7.01	0.00
Last Week <i>12-05-2006</i>	64.53	35.47	15.45	8.86	7.01	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-12-2006</i>	62.42	37.58	22.09	10.08	5.94	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	58.15	41.85	22.75	9.61	3.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	63.58	36.42	20.80	10.30	7.73	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-13-2005</i>	56.96	43.04	23.00	11.42	3.44	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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