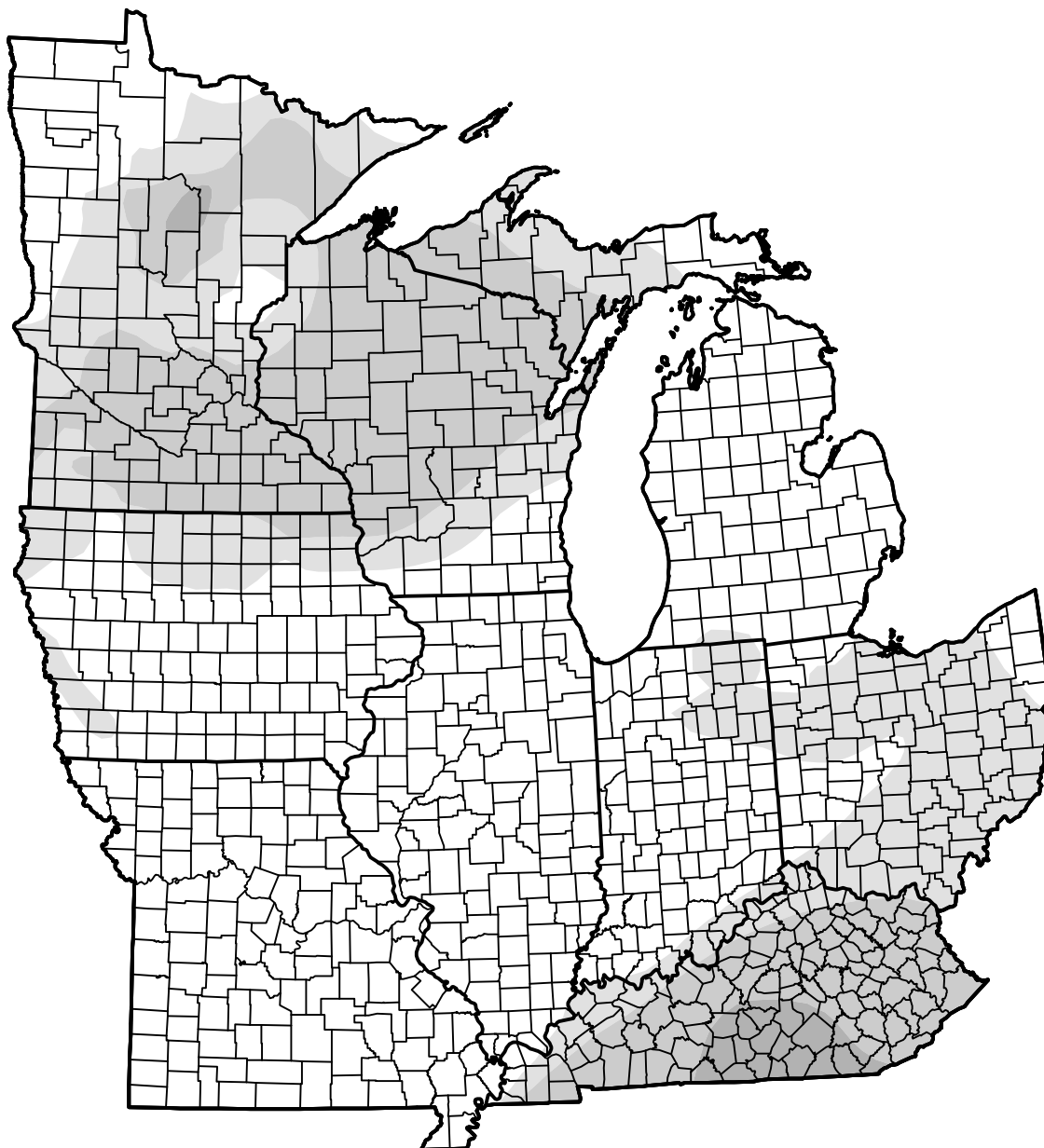


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 56.71 | 43.29 | 22.87 | 1.65  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-16-2008</i>              | 61.07 | 38.93 | 15.94 | 0.25  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-24-2008</i>           | 95.81 | 4.19  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2008</i> | 75.99 | 24.01 | 6.60  | 0.78  | 0.40  | 0.01 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2007</i>    | 45.07 | 54.93 | 40.68 | 23.72 | 10.15 | 0.61 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-25-2007</i>           | 45.07 | 54.93 | 40.68 | 23.72 | 10.15 | 0.61 |

## 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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