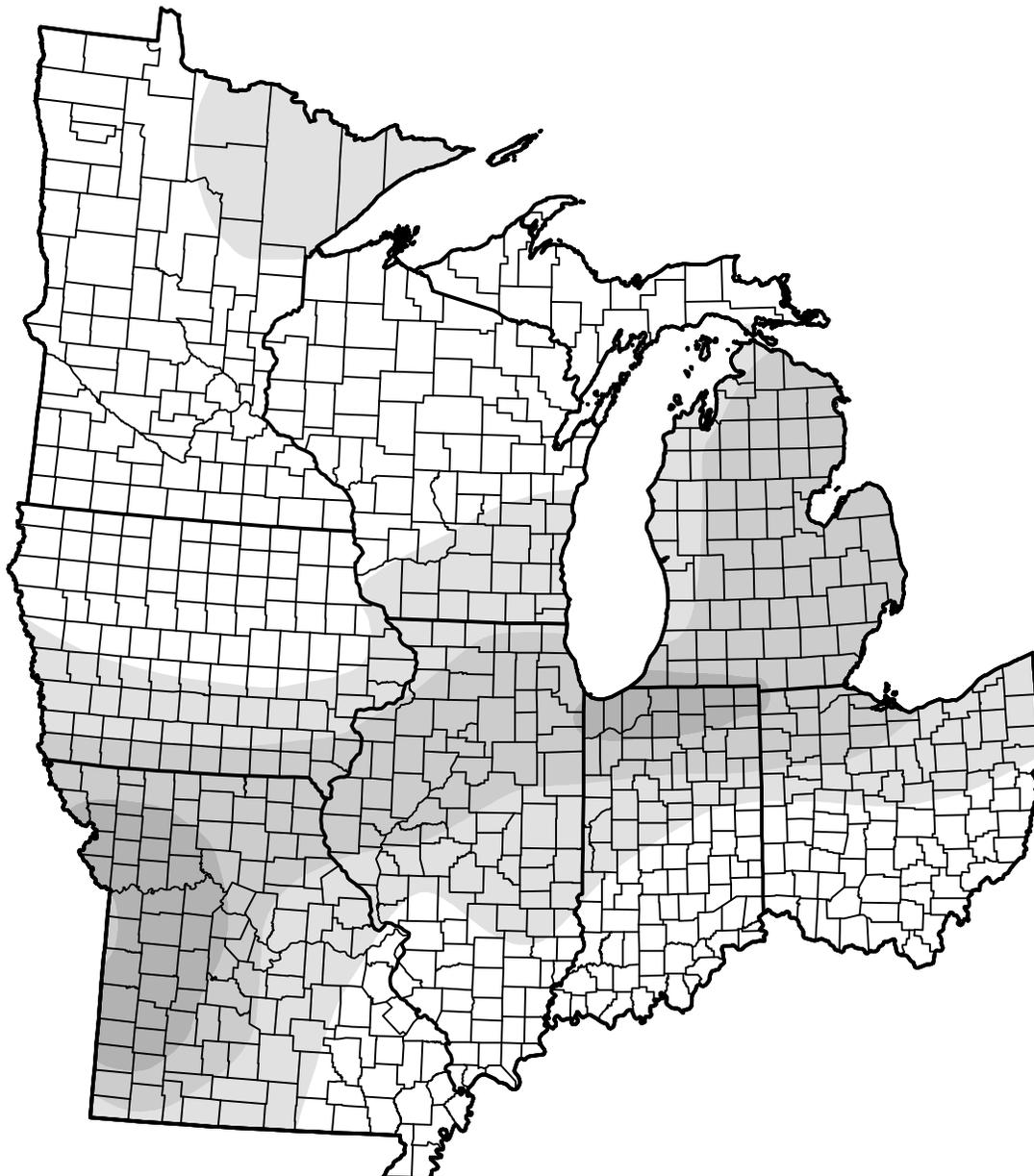


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| Current | 50.14 | 23.64 | 20.84 | 5.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>12-10-2002</i> | 51.14 | 24.94 | 19.79 | 4.13 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2002</i> | 66.07 | 14.48 | 13.12 | 6.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i> | 94.97 | 4.98 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i> | 56.51 | 25.24 | 15.14 | 3.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-18-2001</i> | 99.75 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Intensity:



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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