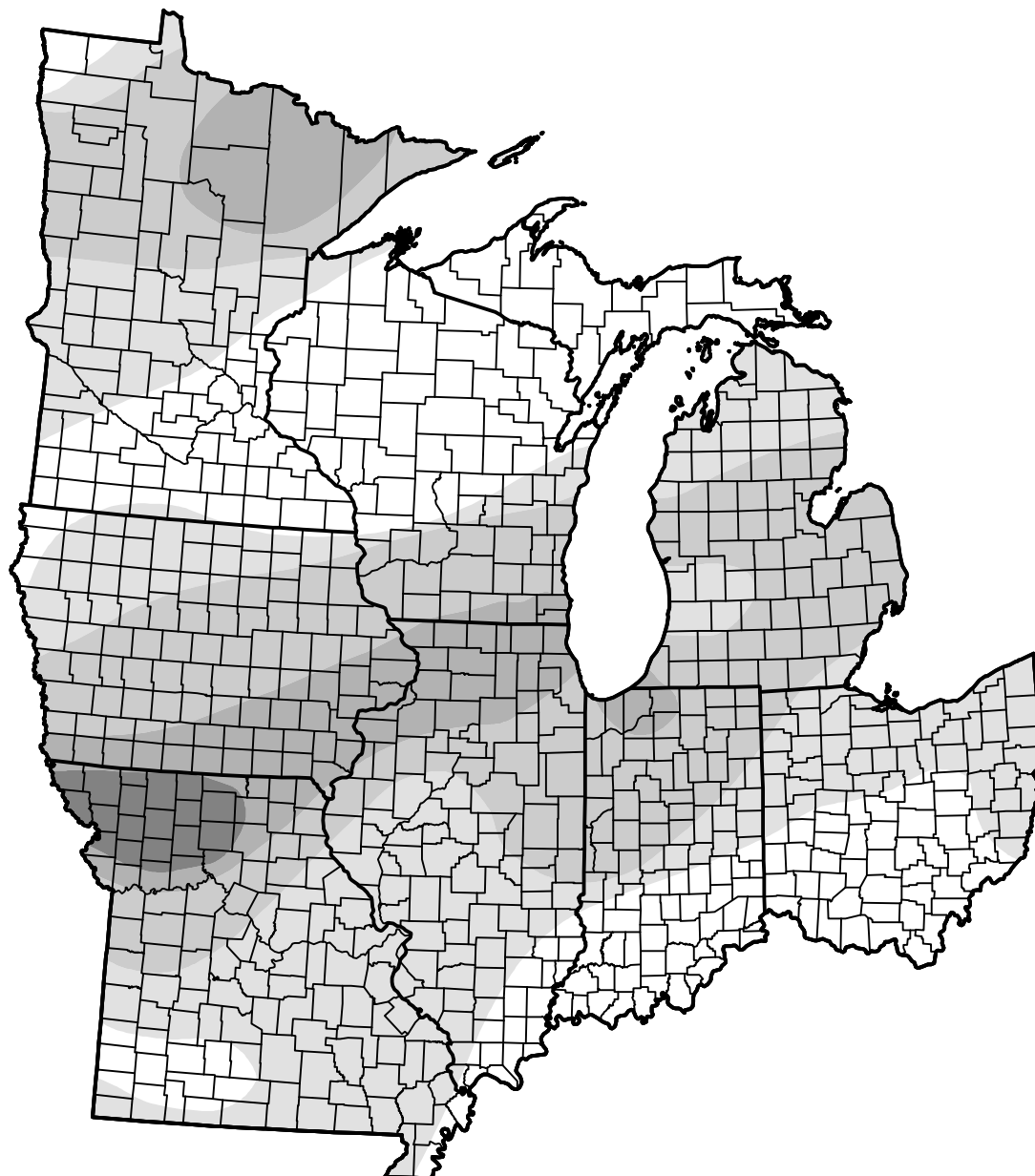


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	28.45	31.07	27.80	10.63	2.05	0.00
Last Week <i>04-15-2003</i>	18.46	38.46	31.78	8.10	3.21	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-21-2003</i>	17.50	40.30	26.32	12.72	3.16	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	46.82	26.90	20.29	4.67	1.32	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>04-23-2002</i>	85.99	9.23	4.78	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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