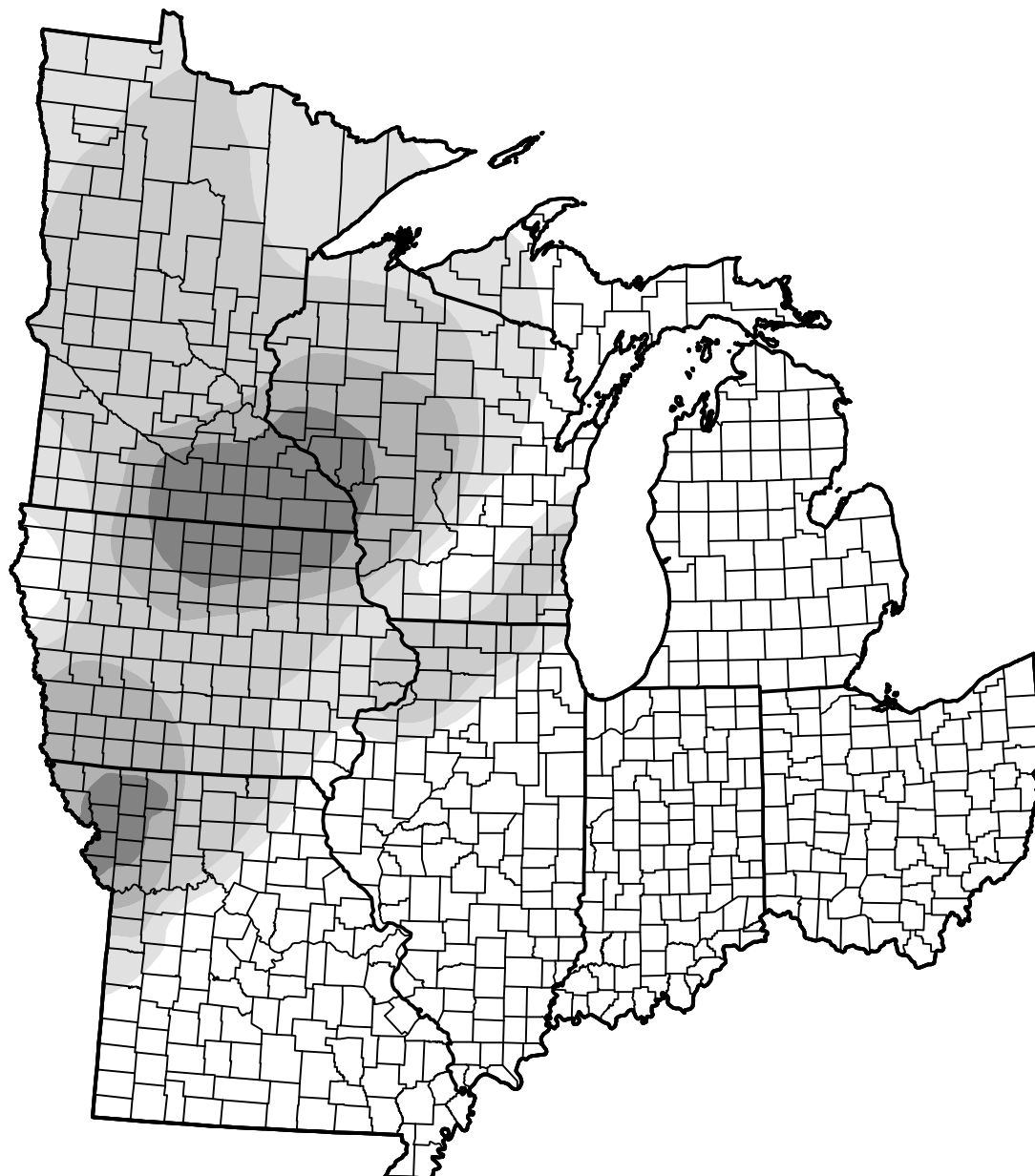


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	53.48	46.52	33.64	12.73	5.11	0.00
Last Week <i>11-25-2003</i>	51.72	48.28	33.87	12.88	5.29	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-02-2003</i>	34.79	65.21	34.79	7.45	2.51	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	46.82	53.18	26.28	5.99	1.32	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	39.11	60.89	43.33	15.95	2.75	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-03-2002</i>	61.04	38.96	22.74	4.06	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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