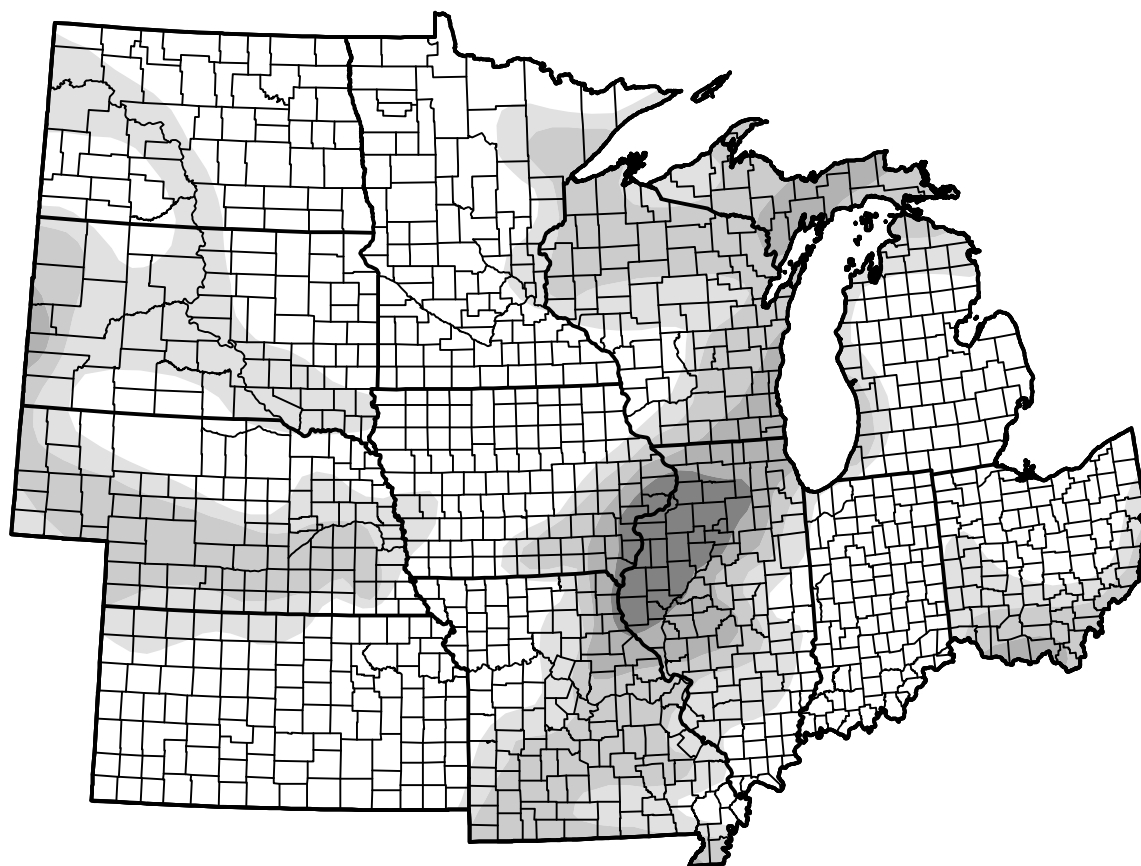


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	54.58	45.42	23.78	6.84	2.17	0.00
Last Week <i>08-16-2005</i>	47.08	52.92	28.05	9.80	2.77	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-24-2005</i>	47.39	52.61	12.04	3.85	0.10	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	70.29	29.71	13.68	7.35	0.02	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	64.97	35.03	14.36	7.62	0.52	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-24-2004</i>	72.30	27.70	14.95	8.98	2.19	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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