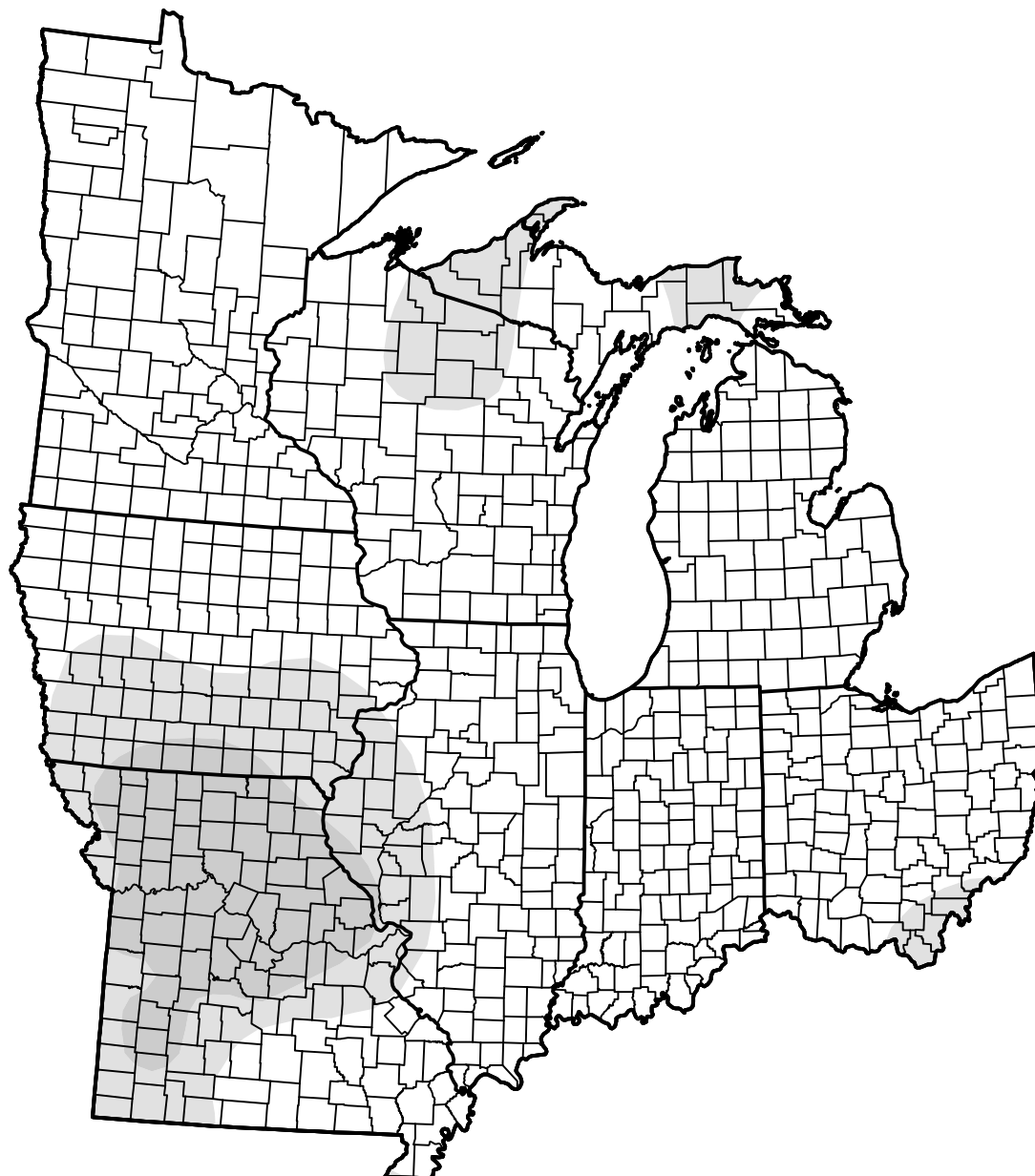


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	77.34	14.26	8.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-16-2006</i>	73.13	19.78	7.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-21-2006</i>	69.73	9.23	11.31	8.65	1.08	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.66	18.00	10.03	6.04	3.27	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	52.29	18.16	16.20	10.93	2.42	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-24-2005</i>	50.85	44.83	4.33	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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