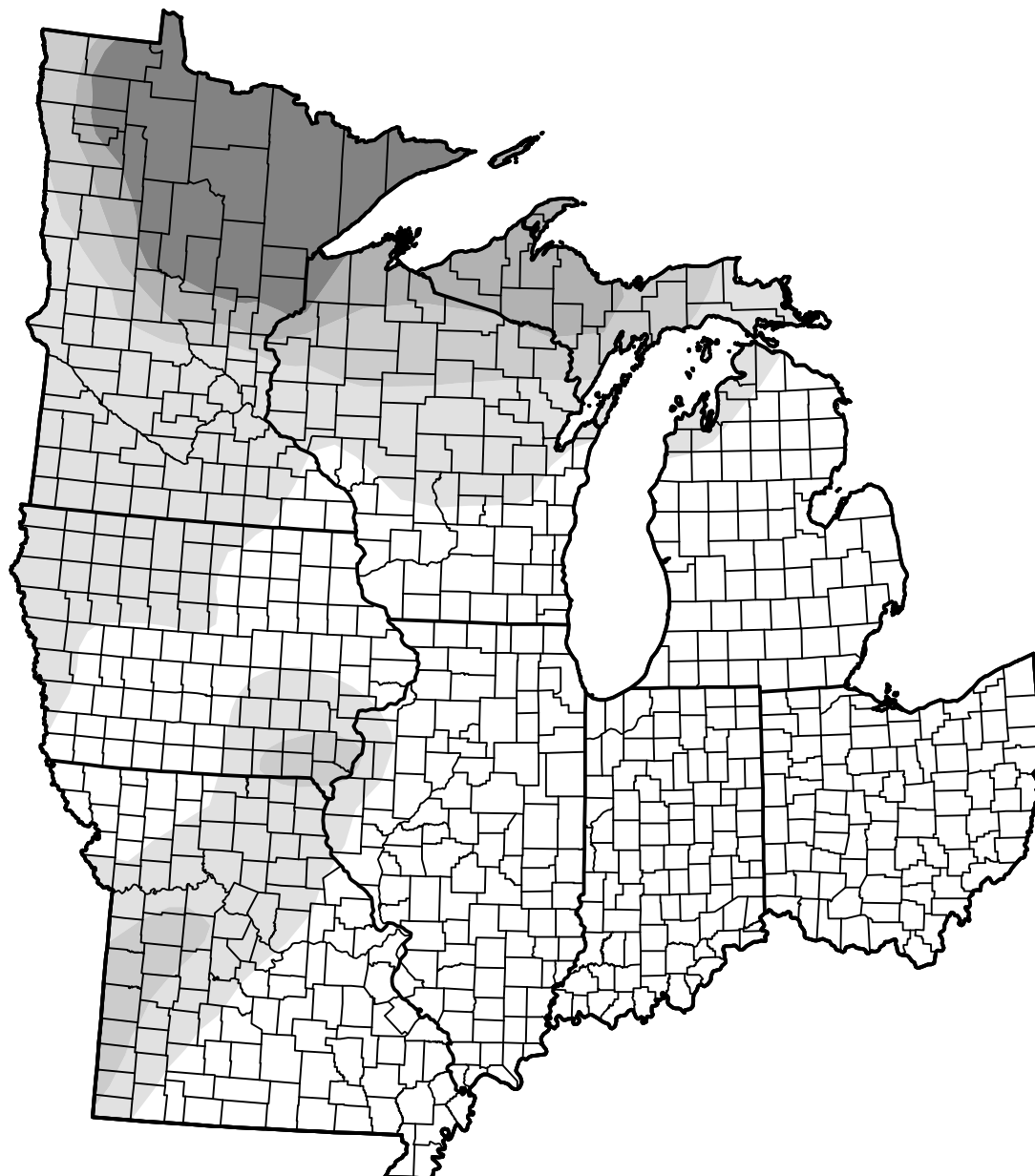


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

**December 26, 2006**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 28, 2006)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 56.85 | 23.62 | 7.44  | 4.40 | 7.70 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-19-2006</i>              | 56.85 | 23.64 | 7.42  | 4.40 | 7.70 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-26-2006</i>           | 60.38 | 16.99 | 11.43 | 2.79 | 8.41 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 62.66 | 18.00 | 10.03 | 6.04 | 3.27 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2006</i>    | 60.38 | 16.99 | 11.43 | 2.79 | 8.41 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-27-2005</i>           | 59.99 | 20.13 | 10.05 | 6.10 | 3.74 | 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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