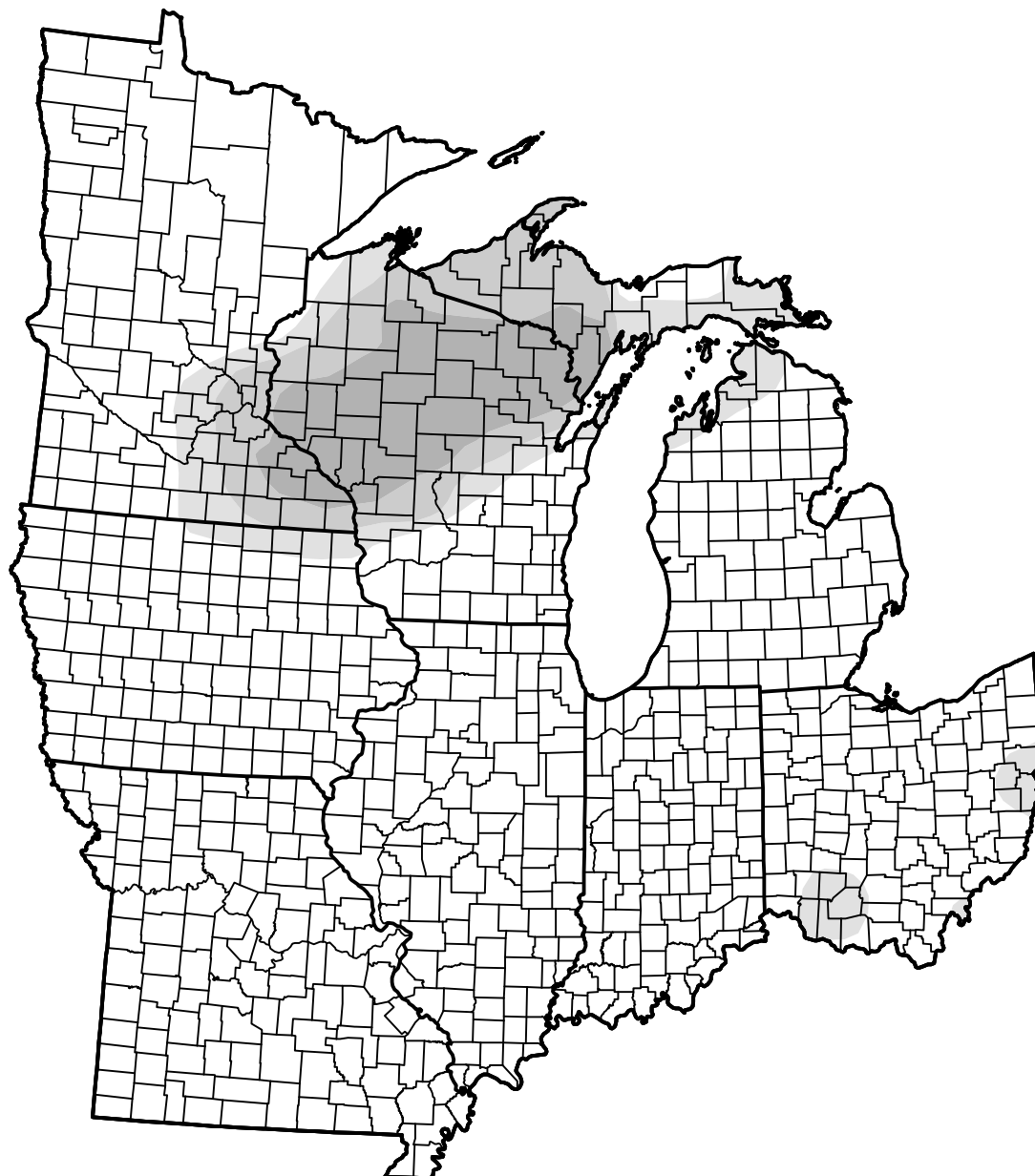


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Midwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	83.26	5.65	5.11	5.99	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-14-2009</i>	81.07	7.84	4.93	6.16	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-20-2009</i>	77.59	11.75	6.97	3.70	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	77.03	11.08	8.19	3.70	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	57.59	24.65	16.33	1.43	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-22-2008</i>	95.36	4.64	0.00	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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