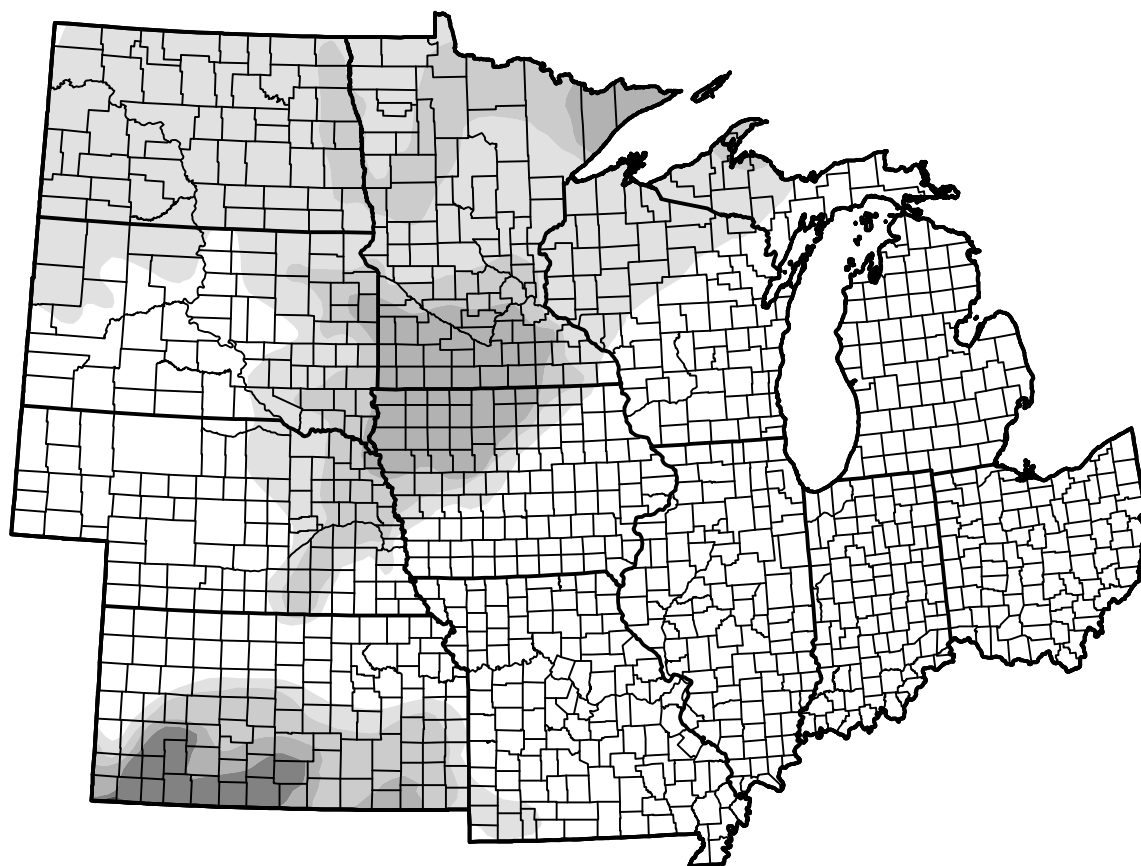


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	58.20	24.37	10.23	5.82	1.35	0.02
Last Week <i>12-27-2011</i>	60.56	22.04	10.20	5.83	1.35	0.02
3 Months Ago <i>10-04-2011</i>	54.38	26.05	9.78	6.26	1.63	1.90
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	58.20	24.37	10.23	5.82	1.35	0.02
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	59.58	23.46	8.44	5.45	1.17	1.89
One Year Ago <i>01-04-2011</i>	76.54	17.60	5.05	0.63	0.19	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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