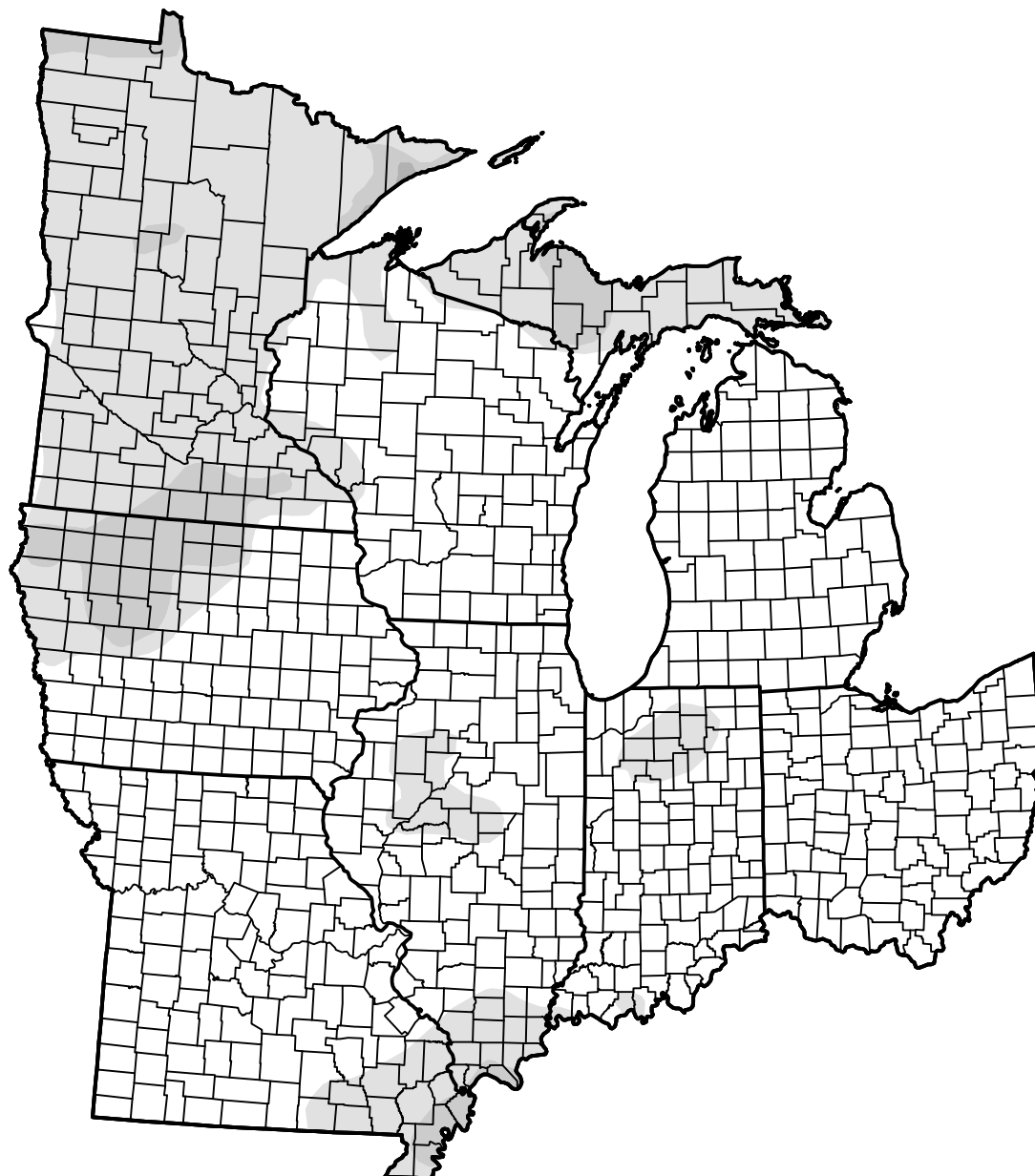


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Midwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 68.36 | 31.64 | 5.25  | 0.05  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-01-2012</i>              | 55.48 | 44.52 | 17.37 | 5.82  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-07-2012</i>           | 69.33 | 30.67 | 21.80 | 7.39  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 69.36 | 30.64 | 14.65 | 7.40  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 56.39 | 43.61 | 15.24 | 5.47  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-10-2011</i>           | 94.35 | 5.65  | 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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