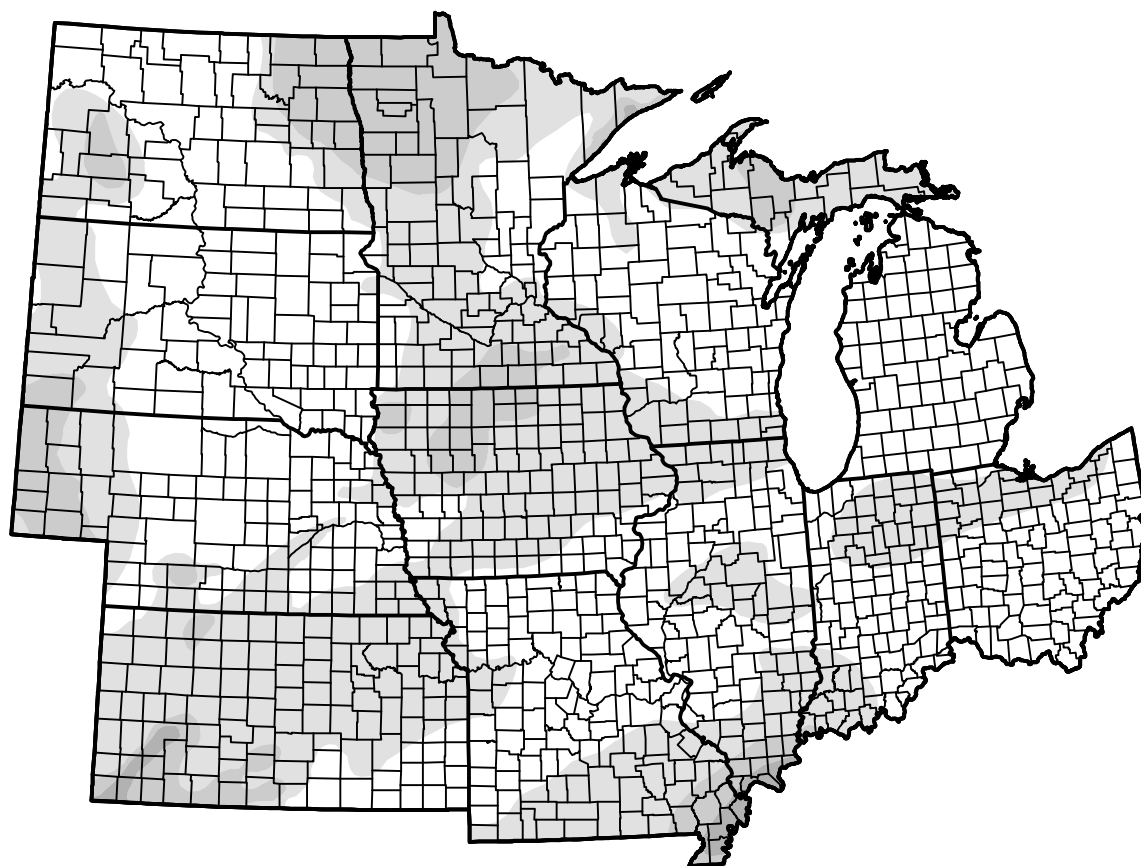


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.68	48.32	10.71	0.66	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-15-2012	68.95	31.05	6.27	0.32	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-21-2012	55.96	44.04	22.32	7.06	1.01	0.02
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	58.20	41.80	17.43	7.20	1.37	0.02
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	59.58	40.42	16.96	8.51	3.07	1.89
One Year Ago 05-24-2011	90.67	9.33	6.19	3.88	1.25	0.11

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

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