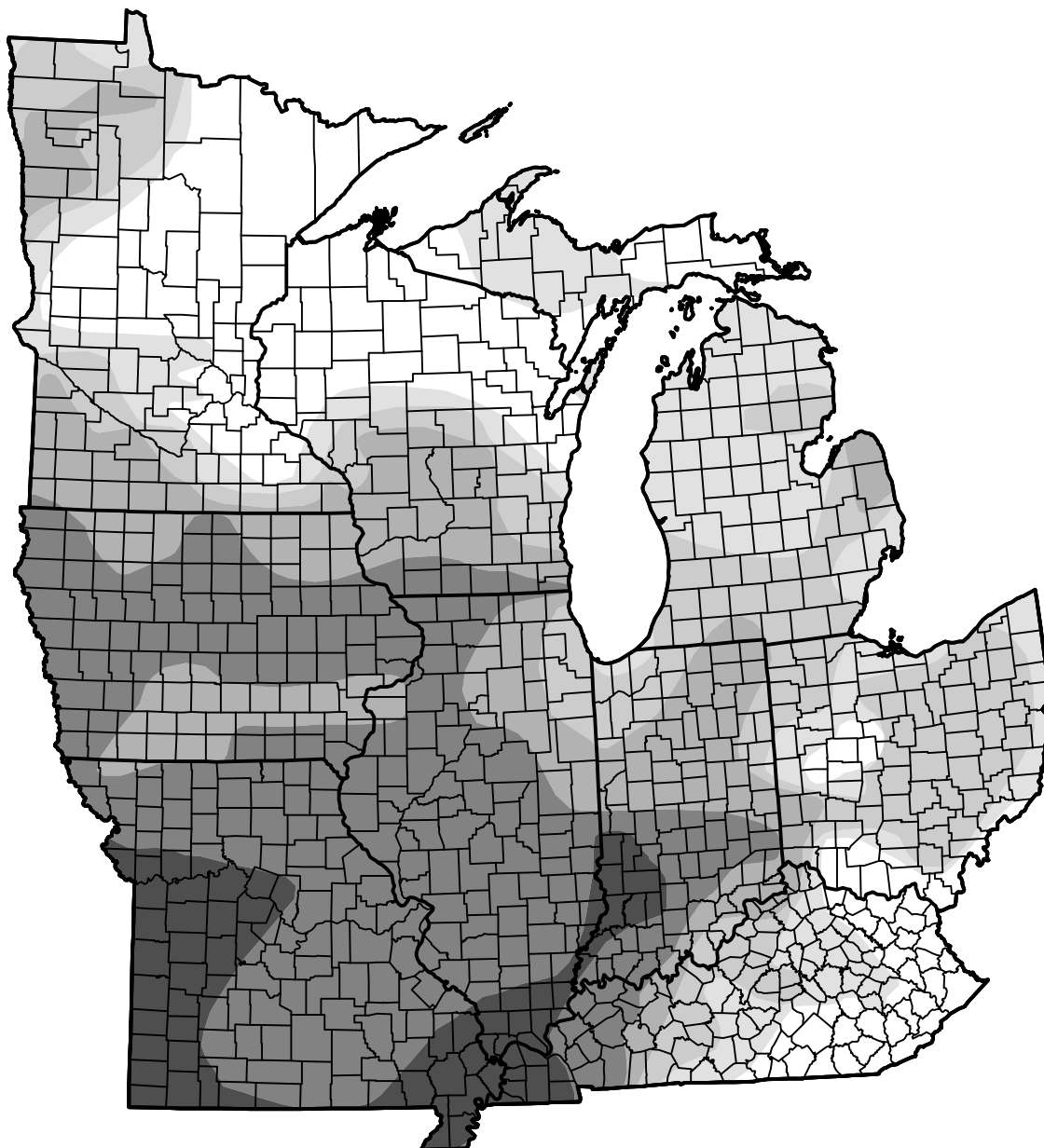


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest



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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 19.32 | 80.68 | 66.32 | 51.06 | 35.04 | 7.17 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>08-14-2012              | 19.25 | 80.75 | 66.42 | 51.46 | 35.43 | 8.17 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-22-2012           | 53.16 | 46.84 | 10.92 | 1.47  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 71.84 | 28.16 | 13.47 | 6.80  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 58.85 | 41.15 | 14.01 | 5.03  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-23-2011           | 56.37 | 43.63 | 10.65 | 0.60  | 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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