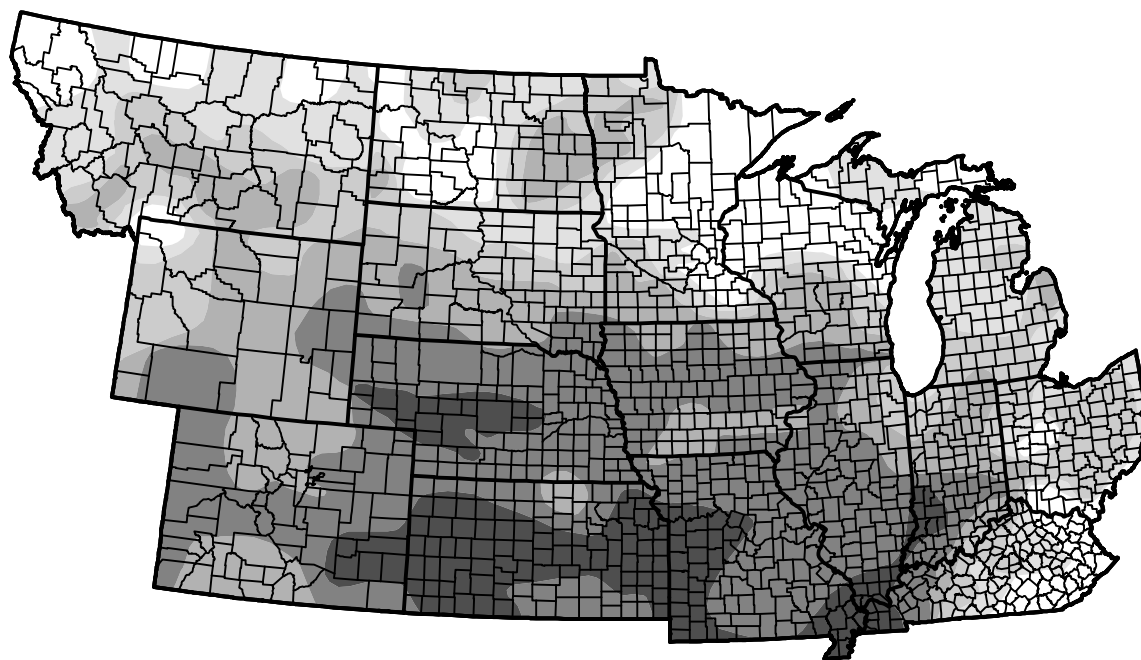


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	12.90	87.10	72.44	58.09	37.93	10.24
Last Week 08-14-2012	13.21	86.79	71.85	58.39	37.19	10.37
3 Months Ago 05-22-2012	49.16	50.84	16.72	3.53	0.66	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	68.31	31.69	13.81	5.73	0.91	0.02
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	62.90	37.10	13.74	7.45	2.74	1.31
One Year Ago 08-23-2011	70.49	29.51	11.65	5.83	2.75	1.14

Intensity:

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

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