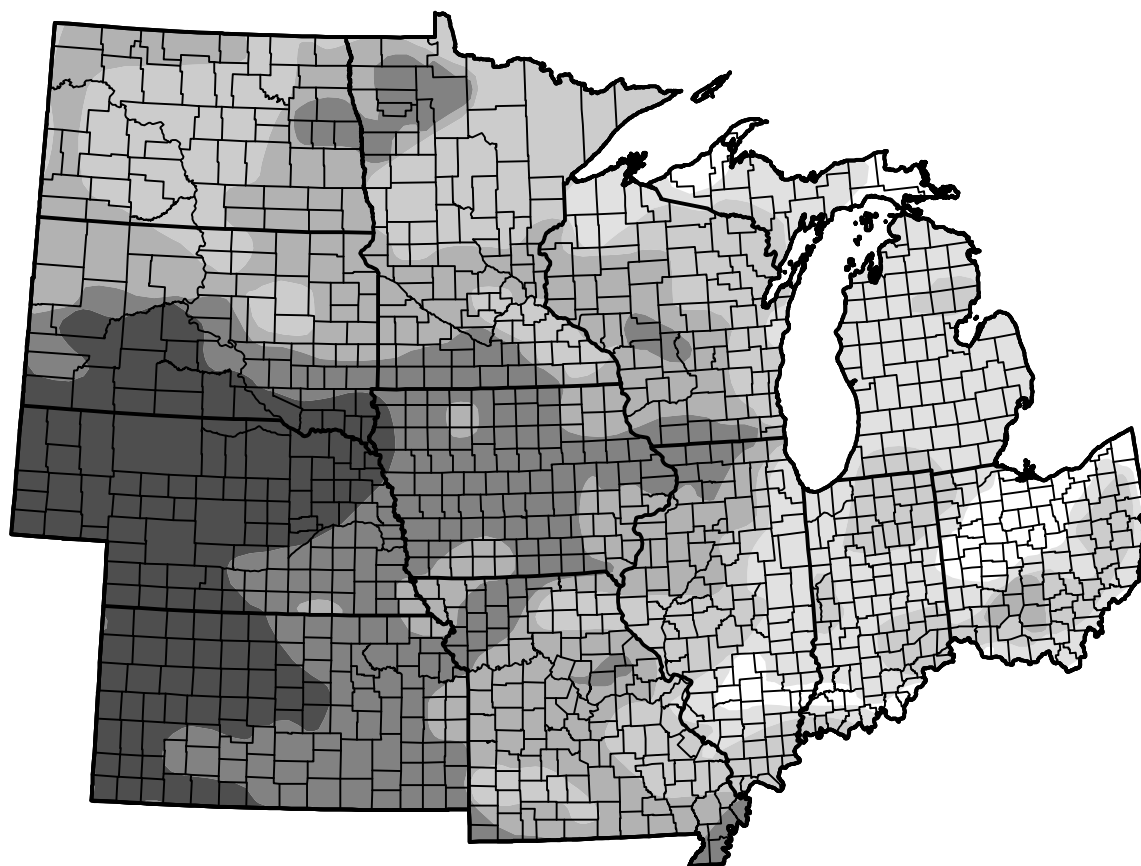


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	3.48	96.52	83.06	60.22	36.16	16.09
Last Week 10-02-2012	3.63	96.37	84.35	58.76	35.64	15.54
3 Months Ago 07-10-2012	14.60	85.40	67.68	35.59	6.08	0.07
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	58.20	41.80	17.43	7.20	1.37	0.02
Start of Water Year 09-25-2012	3.58	96.42	82.21	57.26	34.44	13.74
One Year Ago 10-11-2011	56.94	43.06	20.32	10.06	2.79	1.63

Intensity:

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

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