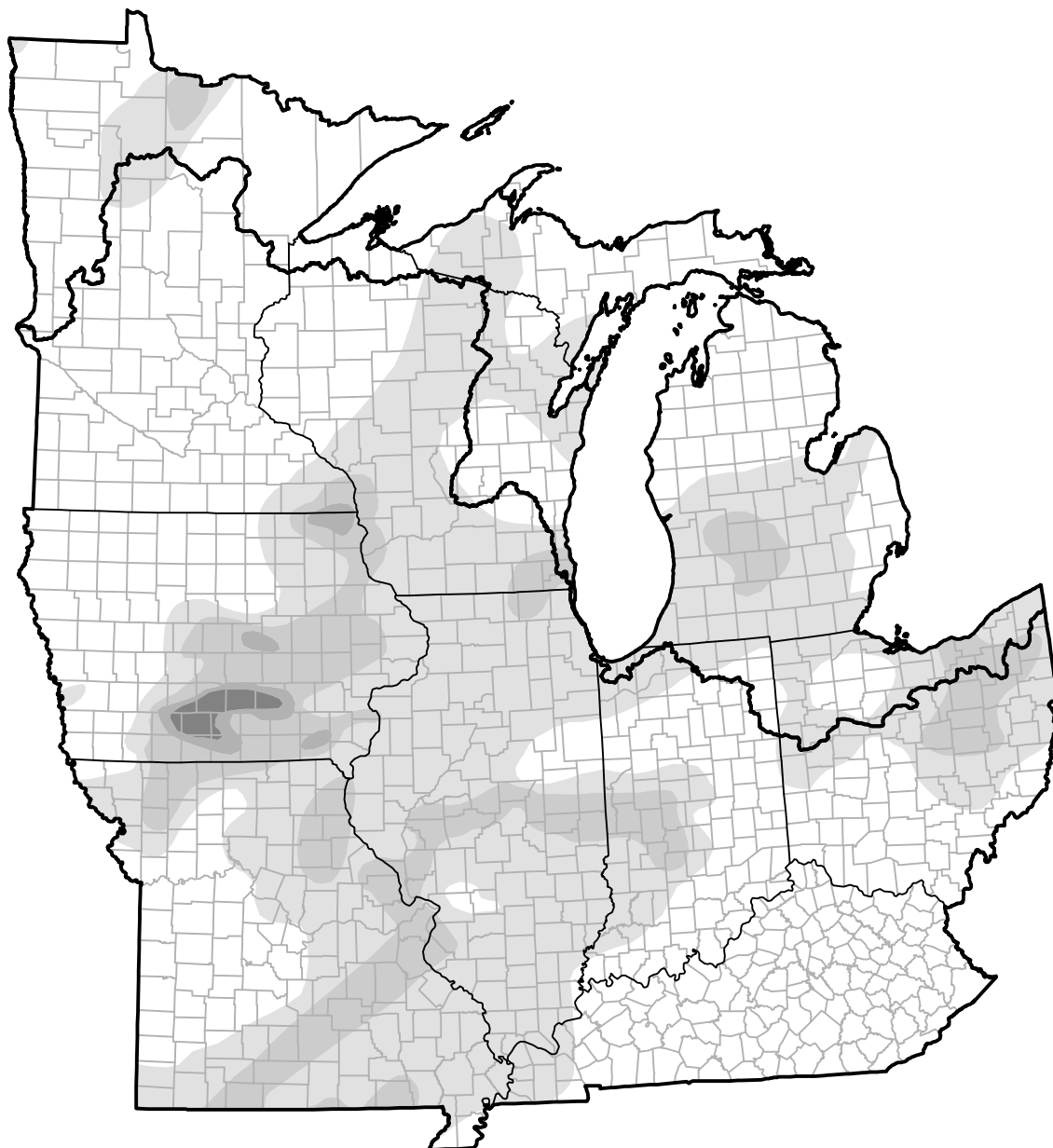


# U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest RDEWS

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 49.24 | 50.76 | 14.27 | 1.36  | 0.48  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-28-2017</i>              | 54.99 | 45.01 | 10.06 | 1.03  | 0.34  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-06-2017</i>           | 87.78 | 12.22 | 1.49  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2017</i> | 72.28 | 27.72 | 5.96  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2017</i>    | 54.99 | 45.01 | 10.06 | 1.03  | 0.34  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-06-2016</i>           | 94.70 | 5.30  | 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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