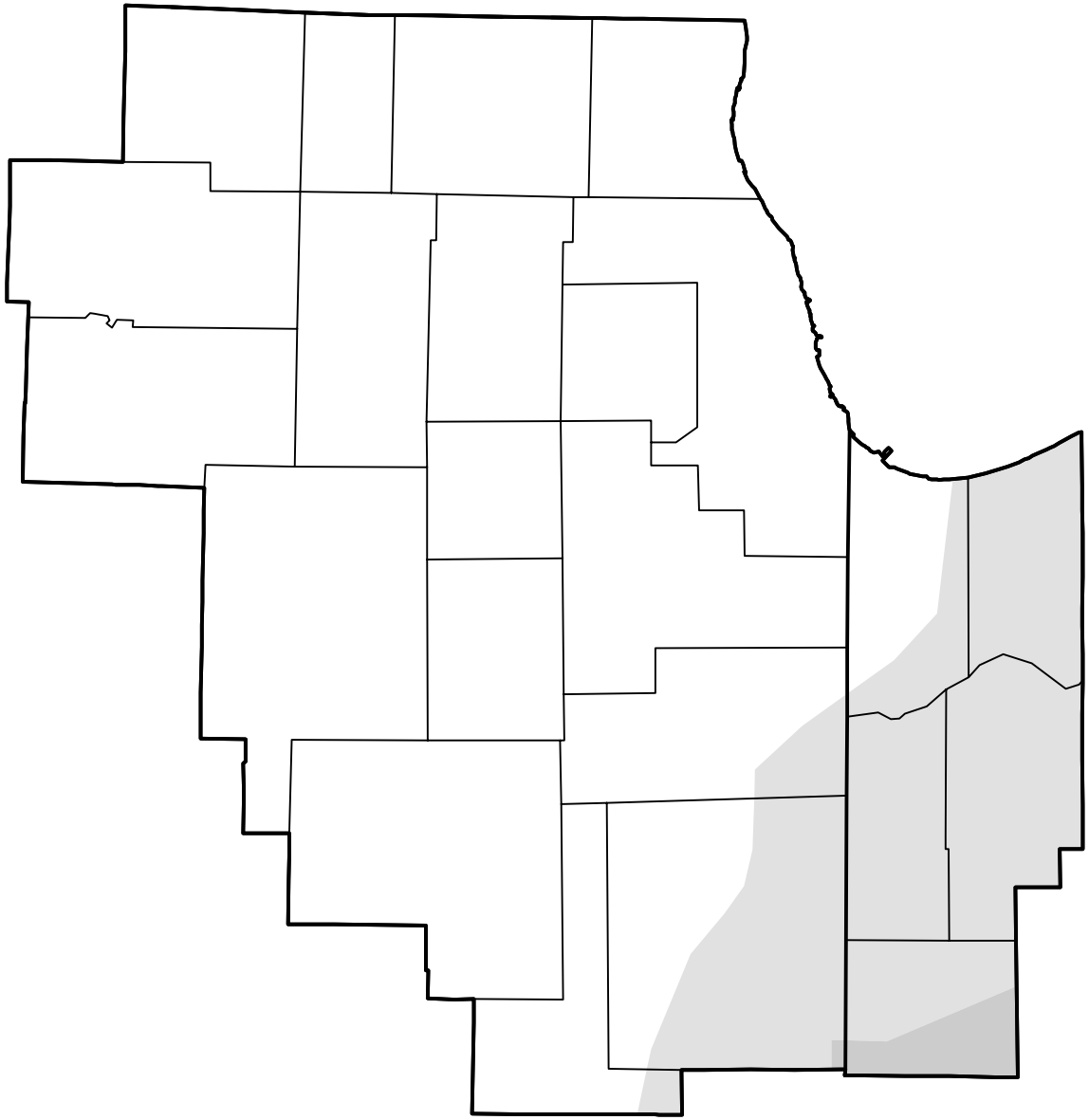
U.S. Drought Monitor

Chicago, IL WFO



December 19, 2023

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	80.48	18.27	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week *12-12-2023*	79.46	19.63	0.91	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago *09-19-2023*	16.46	53.26	24.73	4.99	0.55	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-03-2023*	7.75	89.16	3.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-26-2023*	37.80	41.11	19.38	1.71	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago *12-20-2022*	5.80	62.97	31.23	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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