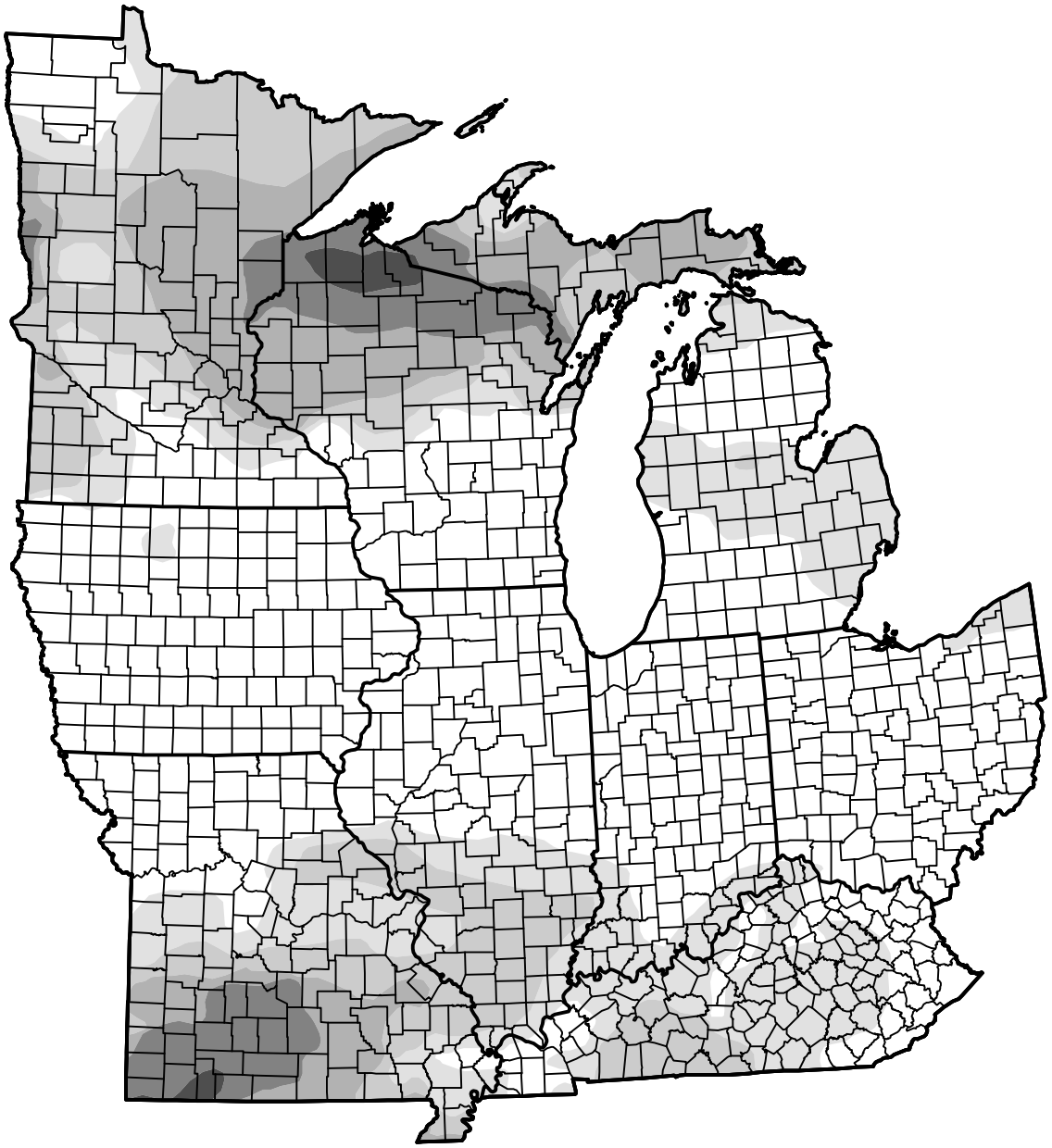
U.S. Drought Monitor

Midwest



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	51.76	18.31	14.05	10.26	4.95	0.67
Last Week *10-06-2026*	54.46	17.78	13.85	8.85	4.54	0.52
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	69.68	19.40	8.40	2.52	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	28.39	34.88	27.79	7.01	1.94	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	34.12	31.19	24.52	9.80	0.37	0.00
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	27.68	34.60	23.12	12.51	2.08	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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