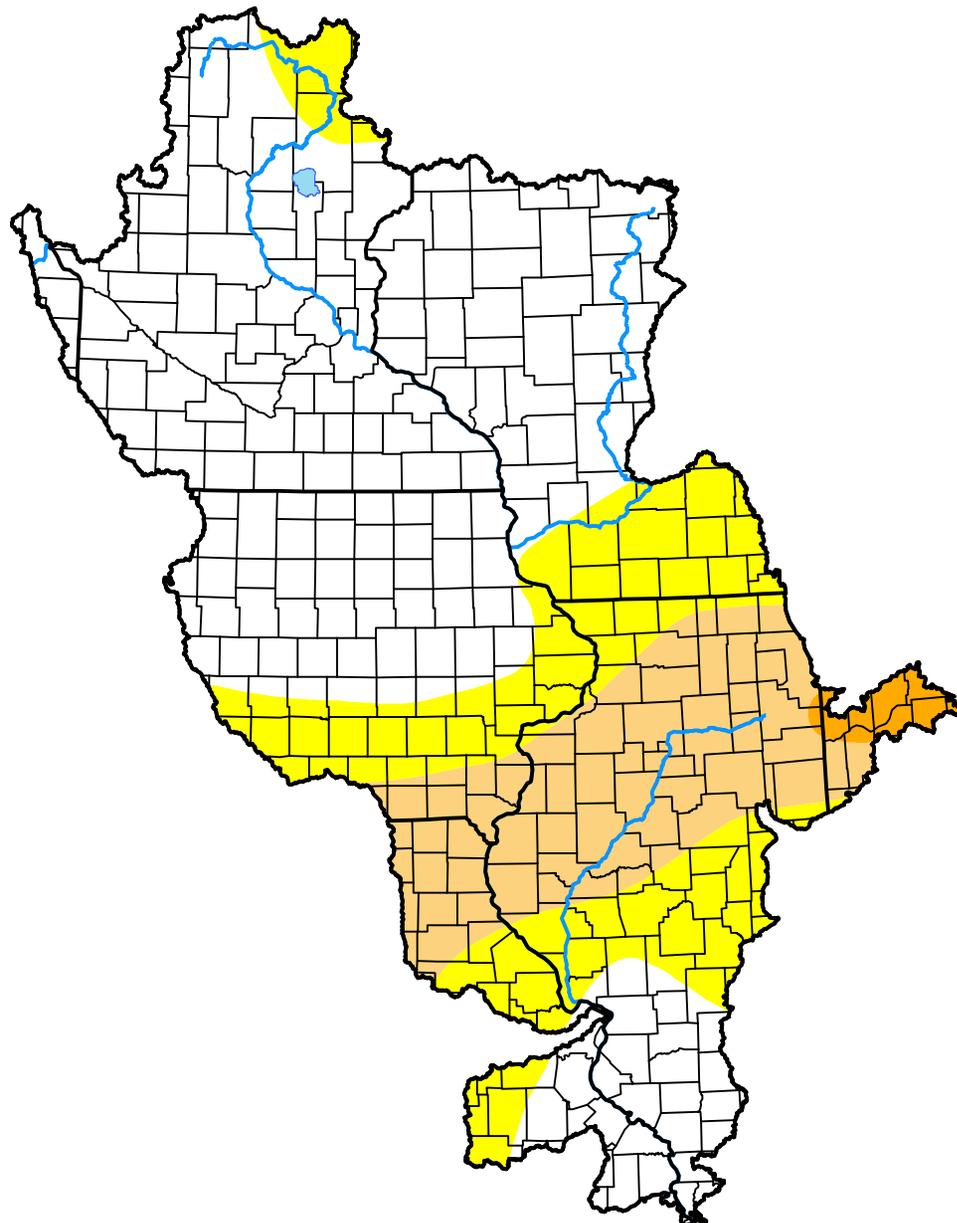


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	60.23	21.54	17.03	1.20	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-12-2002</i>	62.49	22.55	14.96	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2002</i>	93.61	4.53	1.58	0.29	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	98.78	1.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	82.11	15.52	2.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2001</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	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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