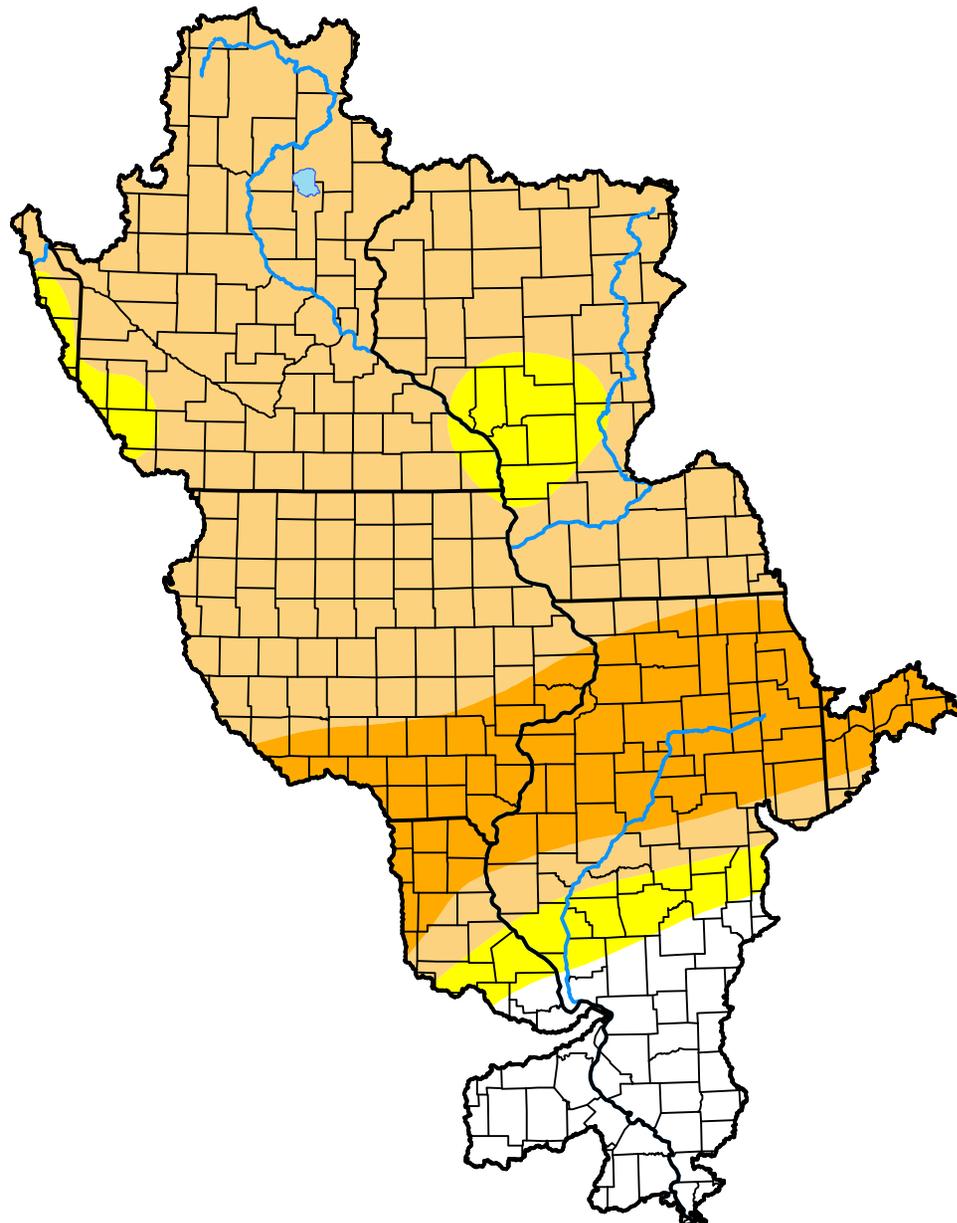


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	10.56	89.44	80.66	18.91	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-13-2003</i>	10.36	89.64	43.54	19.01	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-19-2002</i>	60.23	39.77	18.23	1.20	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	56.99	43.01	19.67	1.29	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	82.11	17.89	2.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-21-2002</i>	82.12	17.88	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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