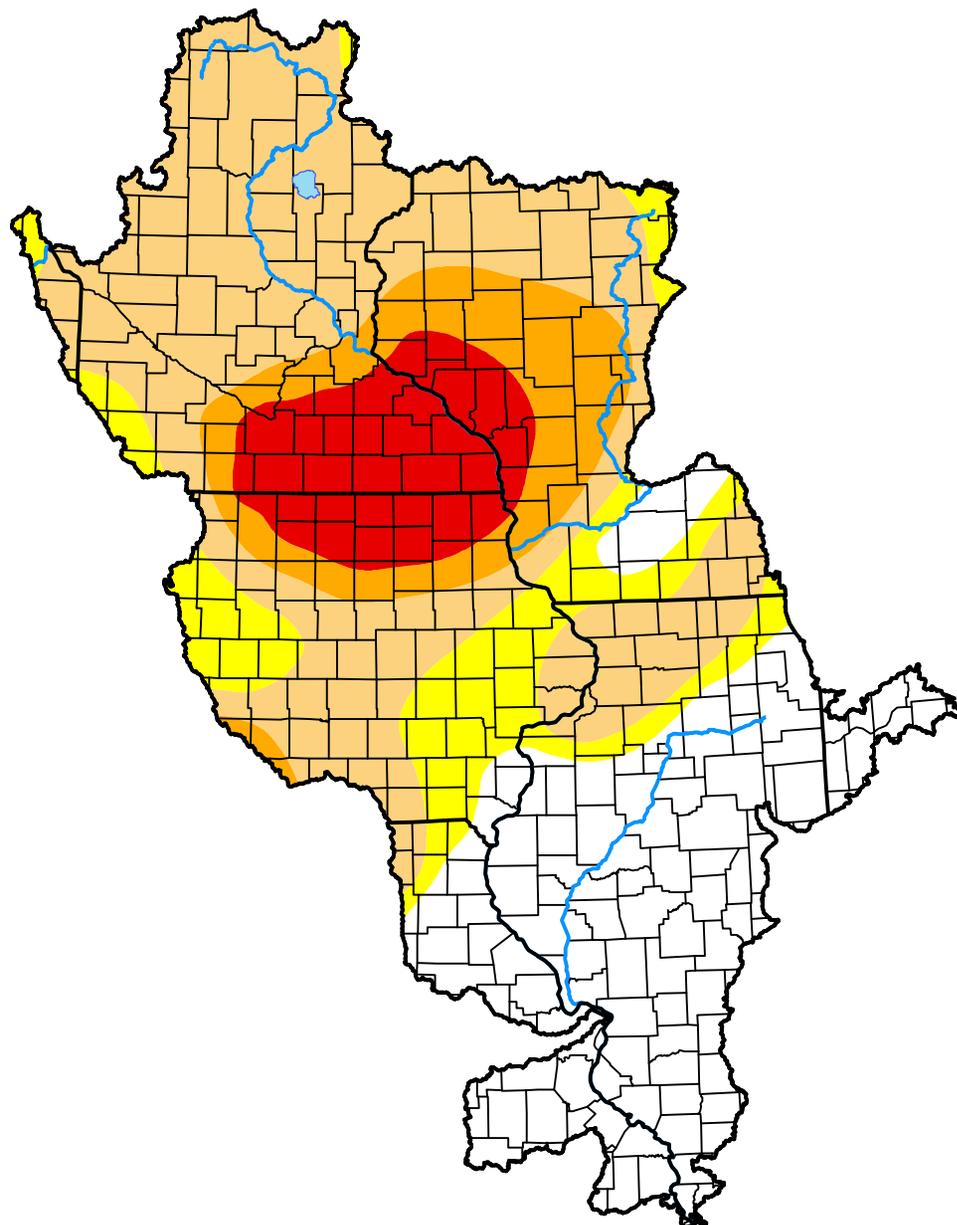


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 9, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	29.78	12.13	37.73	10.25	10.12	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-04-2003</i>	30.29	9.64	37.55	12.23	10.29	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-11-2003</i>	18.09	8.71	29.33	42.22	1.66	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2003</i>	56.99	23.34	18.39	1.29	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2003</i>	23.81	5.92	42.26	26.11	1.89	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-12-2002</i>	62.49	22.55	14.96	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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