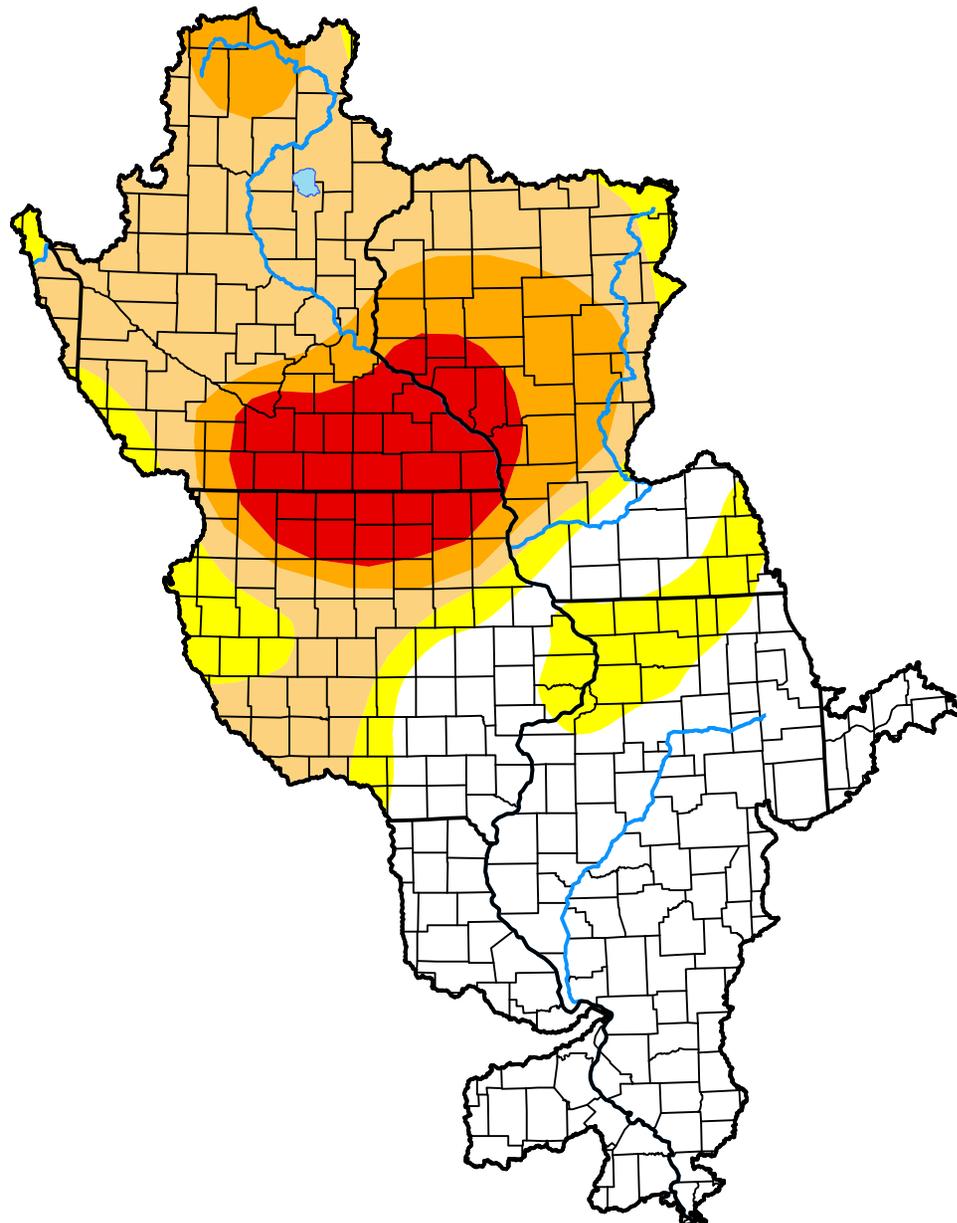


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	39.09	11.09	28.25	11.85	9.72	0.00
Last Week <i>12-18-2003</i>	38.50	11.21	27.49	13.11	9.68	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-25-2003</i>	23.39	6.34	42.04	27.94	0.28	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	56.99	23.34	18.39	1.29	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	23.81	5.92	42.26	26.11	1.89	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-26-2002</i>	61.98	21.77	14.93	1.31	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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