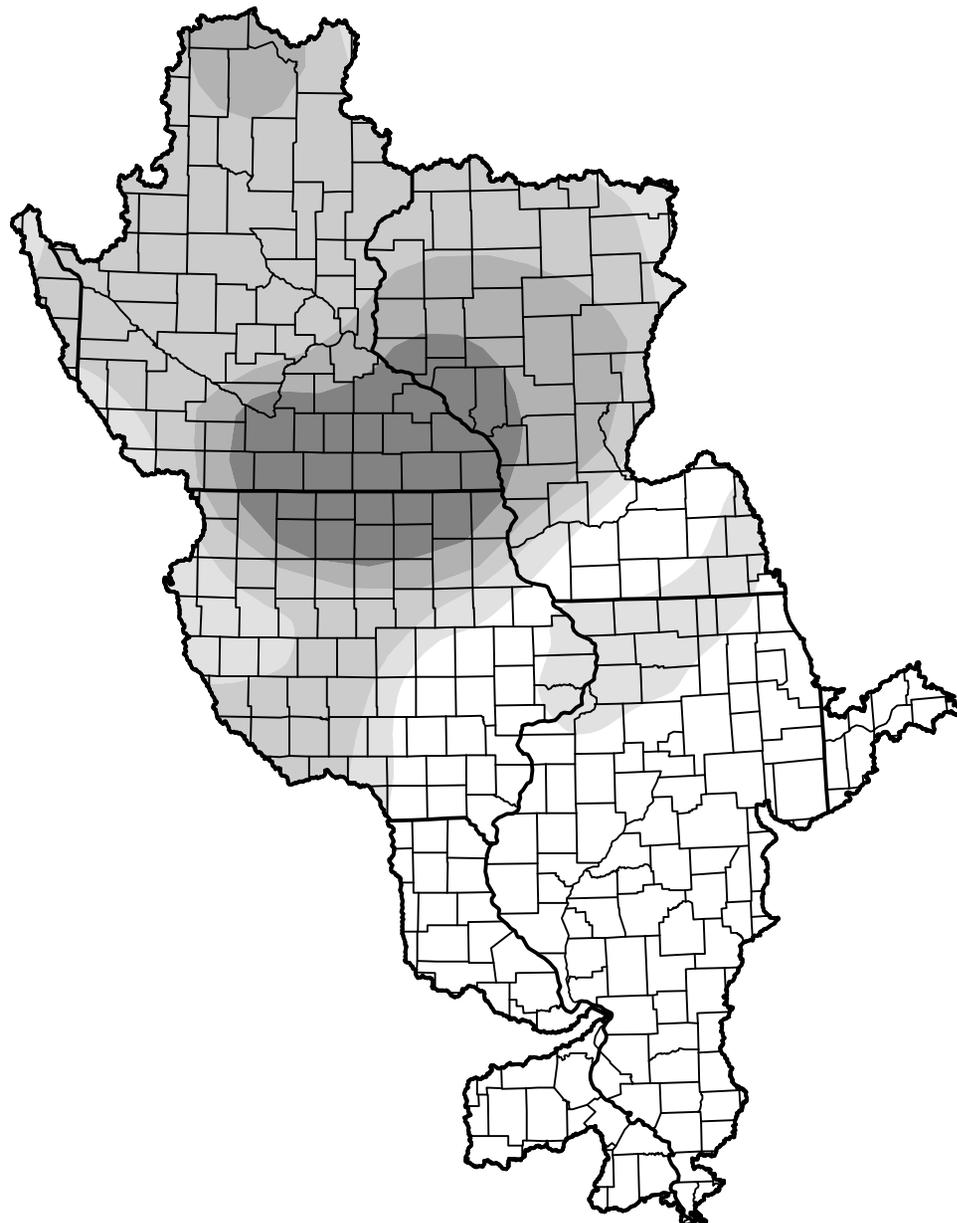


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	39.09	60.91	49.82	21.57	9.72	0.00
Last Week <i>12-18-2003</i>	38.50	61.50	50.28	22.79	9.68	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-25-2003</i>	23.39	76.61	70.27	28.23	0.28	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>10-02-2003</i>	23.81	76.19	70.27	28.00	1.89	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-26-2002</i>	61.98	38.02	16.24	1.31	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



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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