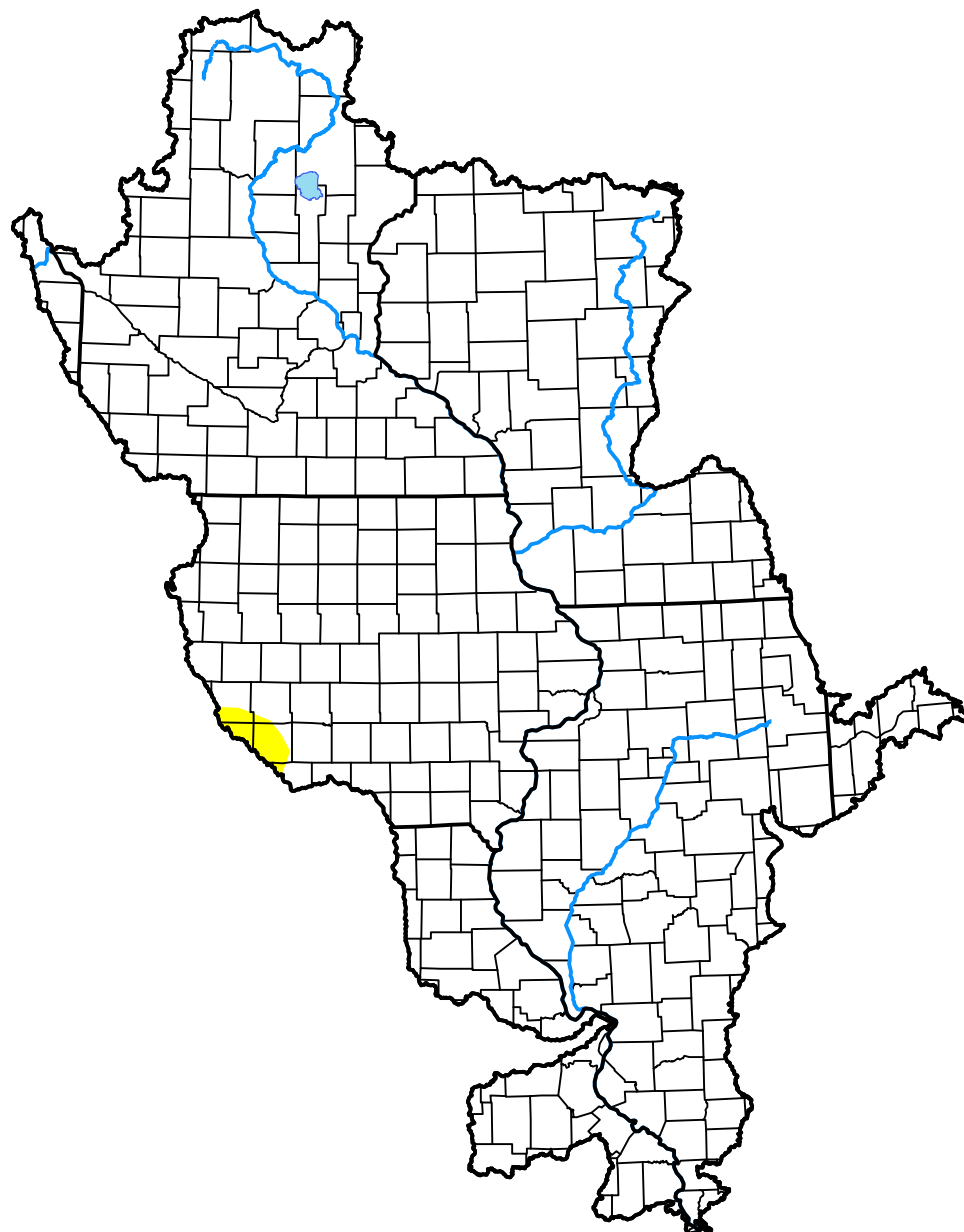


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 7, 2004**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 99.54 | 0.46  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-02-2004</i>              | 94.48 | 5.52  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-09-2004</i>           | 97.07 | 2.93  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2003</i> | 39.39 | 11.37 | 25.77 | 13.13 | 10.33 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2004</i>    | 79.92 | 19.87 | 0.21  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-11-2003</i>           | 29.78 | 12.13 | 37.73 | 10.25 | 10.12 | 0.00 |

**Intensity:**

|                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| None                | D2 Severe Drought      |
| D0 Abnormally Dry   | D3 Extreme Drought     |
| D1 Moderate 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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