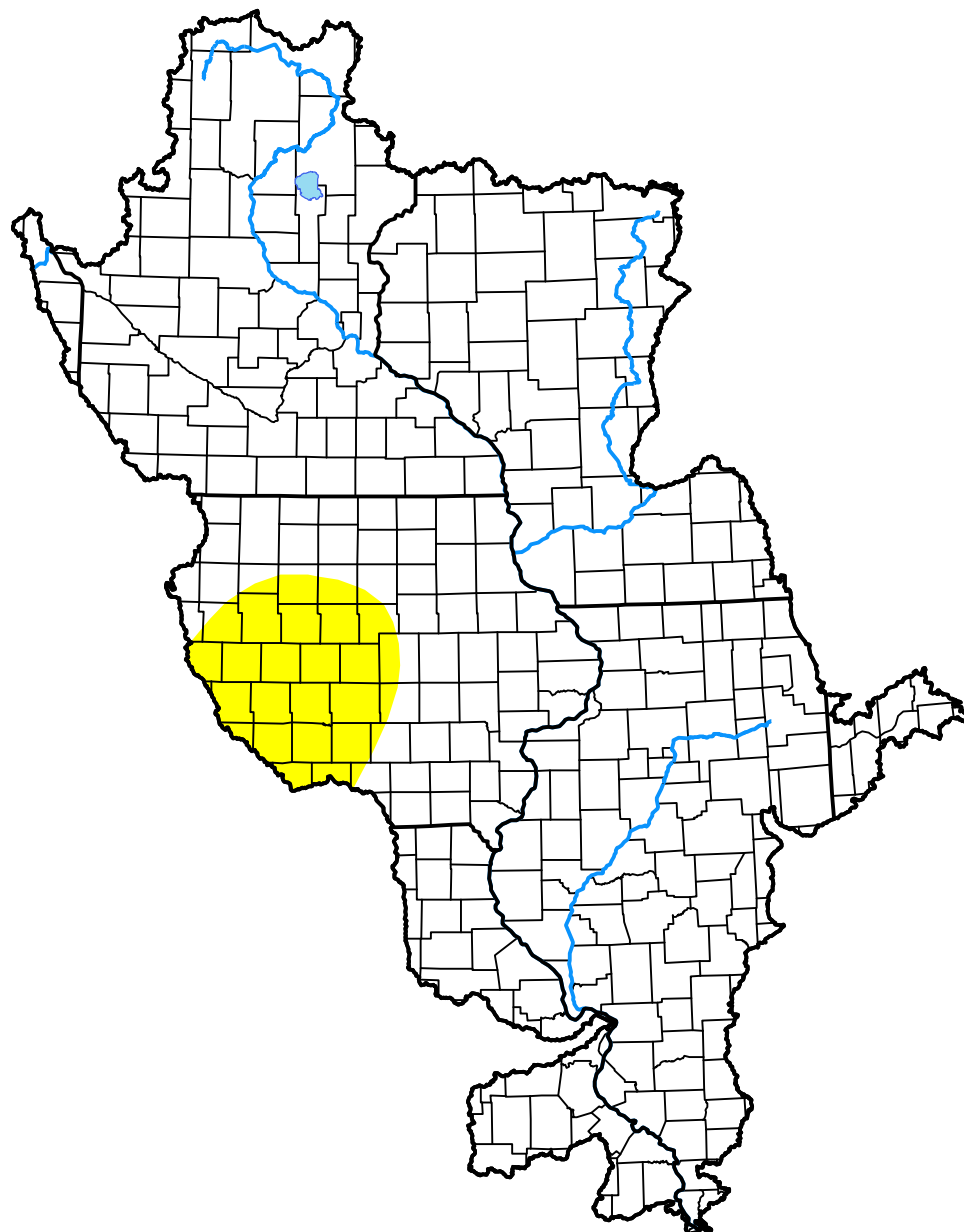


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

December 21, 2004
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	93.56	6.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-16-2004</i>	98.77	1.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-23-2004</i>	97.65	2.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	39.39	11.37	25.77	13.13	10.33	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	79.92	19.87	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-24-2003</i>	39.09	11.09	28.25	11.85	9.72	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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