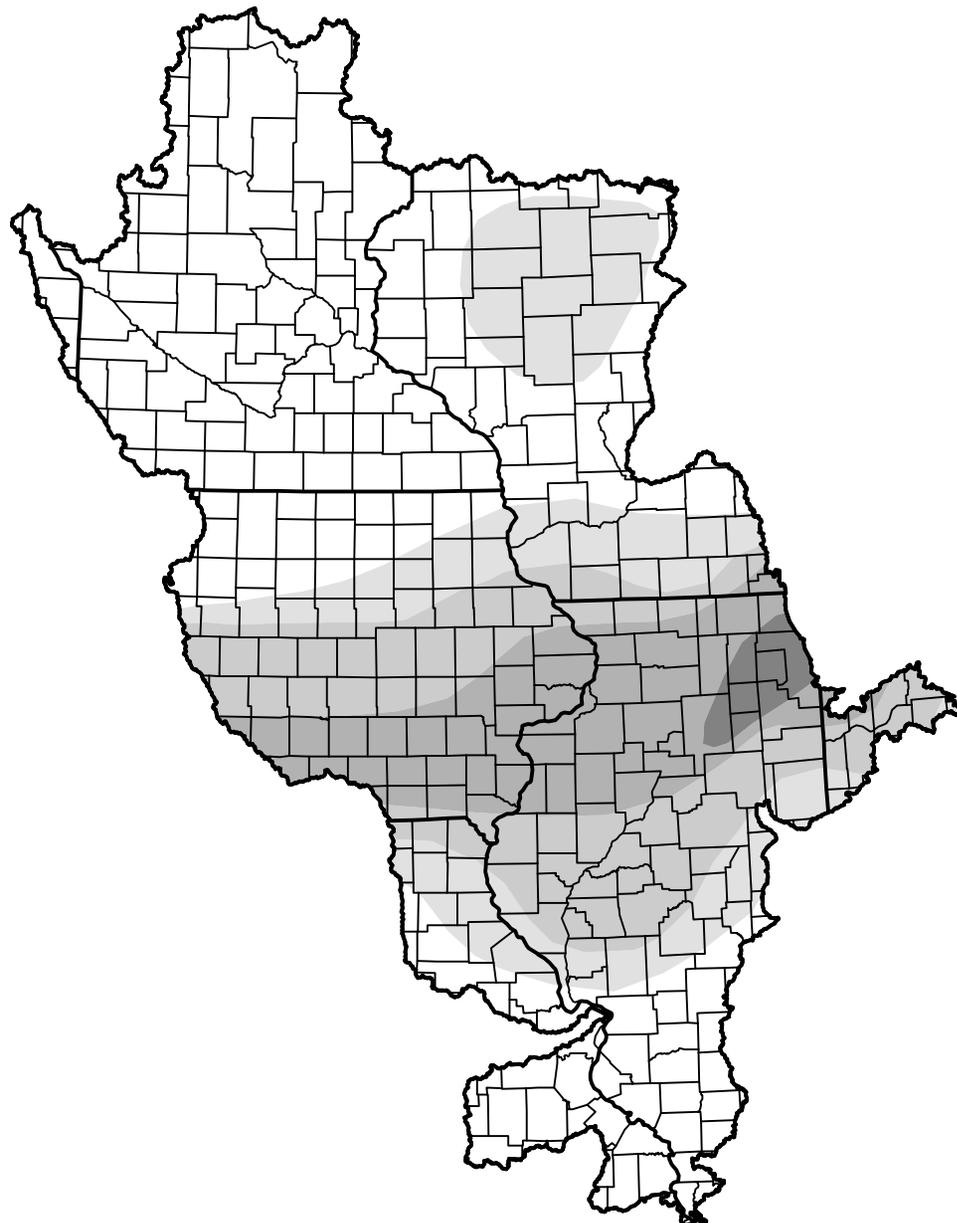


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**January 31, 2006**  
 (Released Thursday, Feb. 2, 2006)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	51.70	48.30	31.35	14.94	1.53	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>01-26-2006</i>	47.96	52.04	34.64	18.30	9.12	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-03-2005</i>	45.07	54.93	34.04	20.32	9.66	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	46.57	53.43	32.46	17.61	7.88	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	45.50	54.50	37.91	19.25	5.81	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-03-2005</i>	82.49	17.51	0.00	0.00	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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