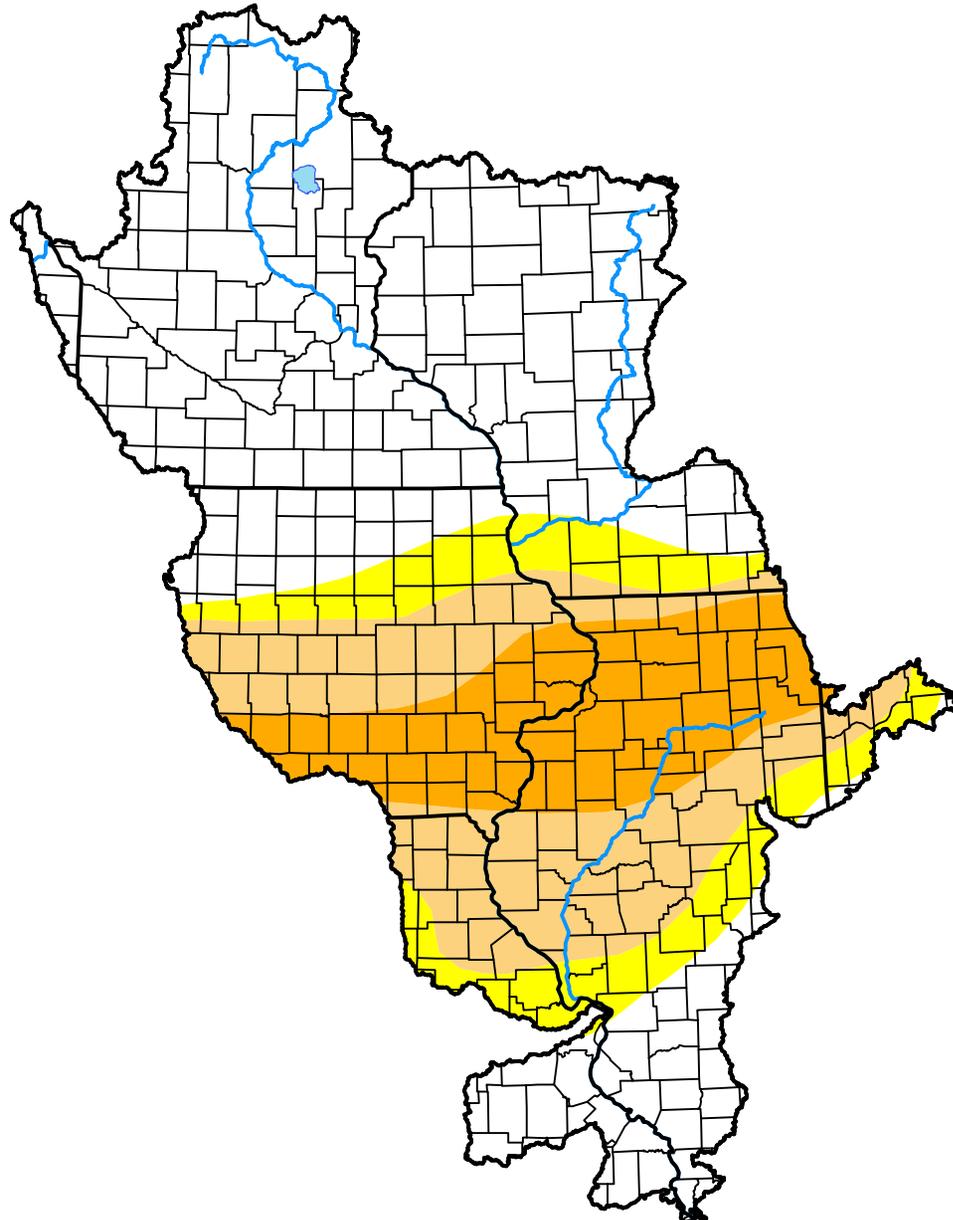


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**February 21, 2006**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	56.94	43.06	32.64	14.42	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-16-2006</i>	55.88	44.12	31.35	14.94	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-24-2005</i>	45.63	54.37	34.18	19.15	9.04	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>02-24-2005</i>	86.85	13.15	0.00	0.00	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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