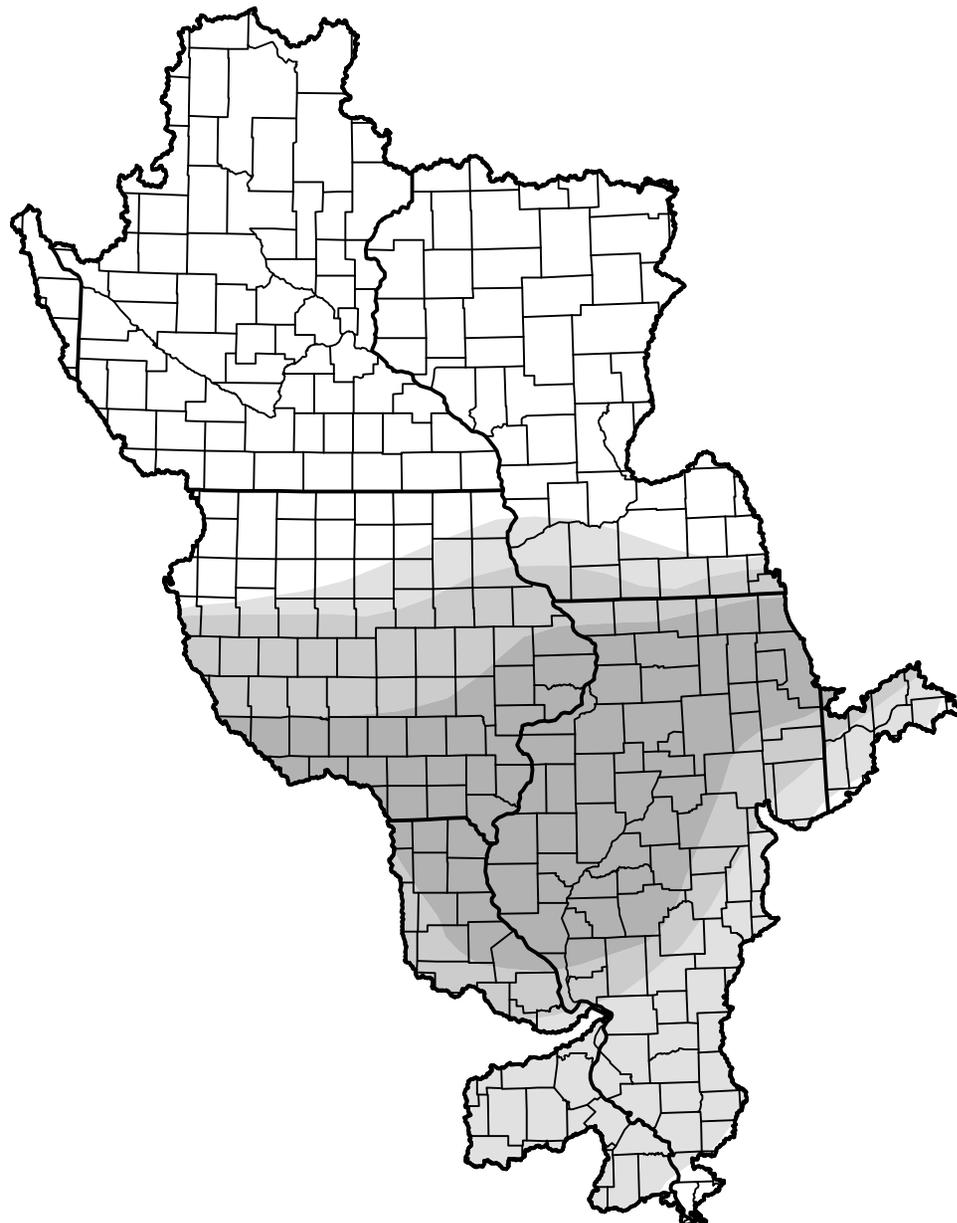


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**February 28, 2006**  
*(Released Thursday, Mar. 2, 2006)*

Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 49.05 | 14.75 | 13.72 | 22.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-23-2006</i>              | 56.94 | 10.41 | 18.23 | 14.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-01-2005</i>           | 45.96 | 20.65 | 14.23 | 10.14 | 9.01 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2006</i> | 46.57 | 20.97 | 14.85 | 9.72  | 7.88 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2005</i>    | 45.50 | 16.59 | 18.66 | 13.43 | 5.81 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-03-2005</i>           | 86.85 | 13.15 | 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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