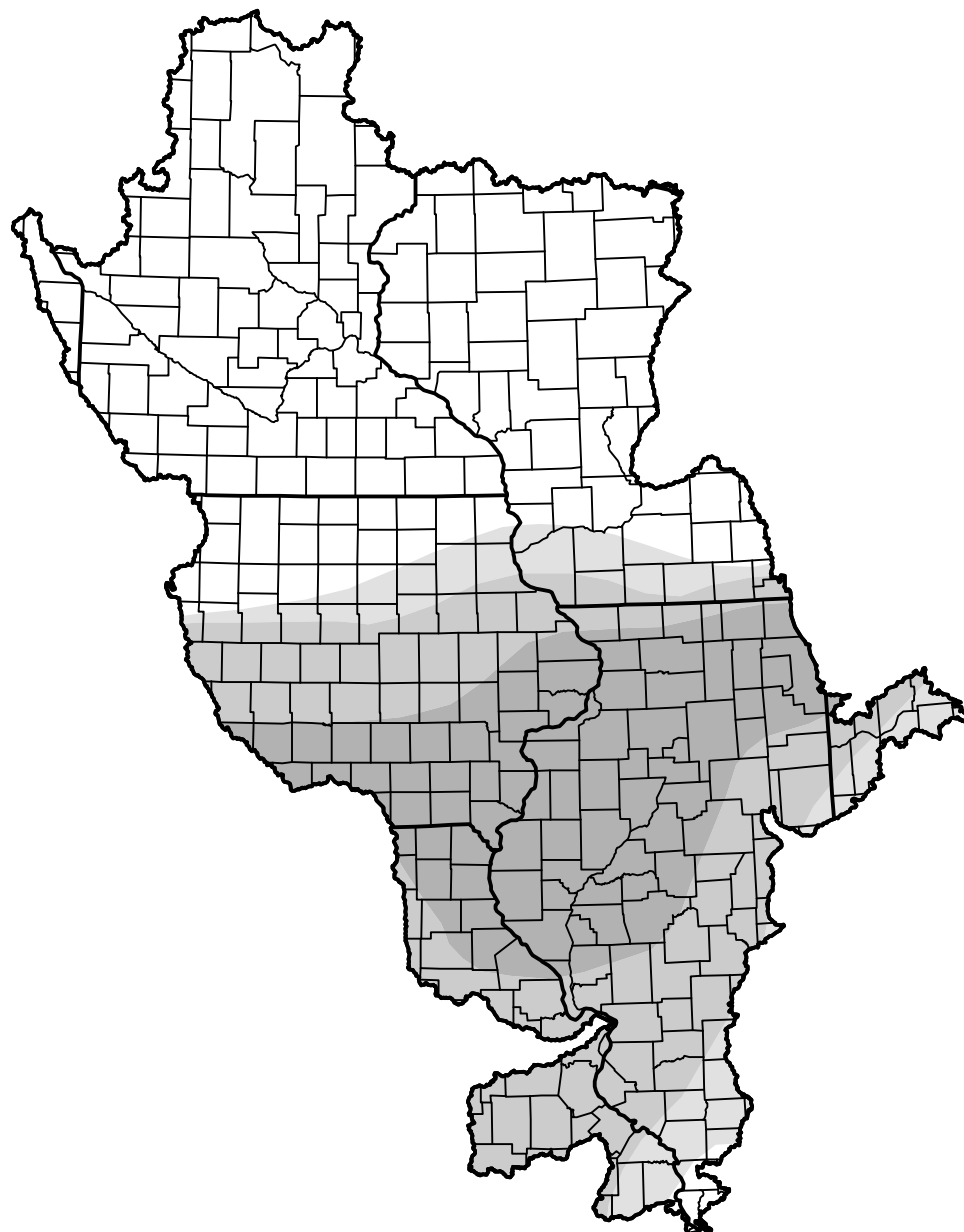


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	49.18	50.82	43.66	22.48	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-02-2006</i>	49.05	50.95	36.21	22.48	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-08-2005</i>	45.96	54.04	33.38	19.15	9.01	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	46.57	53.43	32.46	17.61	7.88	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	45.50	54.50	37.91	19.25	5.81	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-10-2005</i>	86.22	13.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	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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