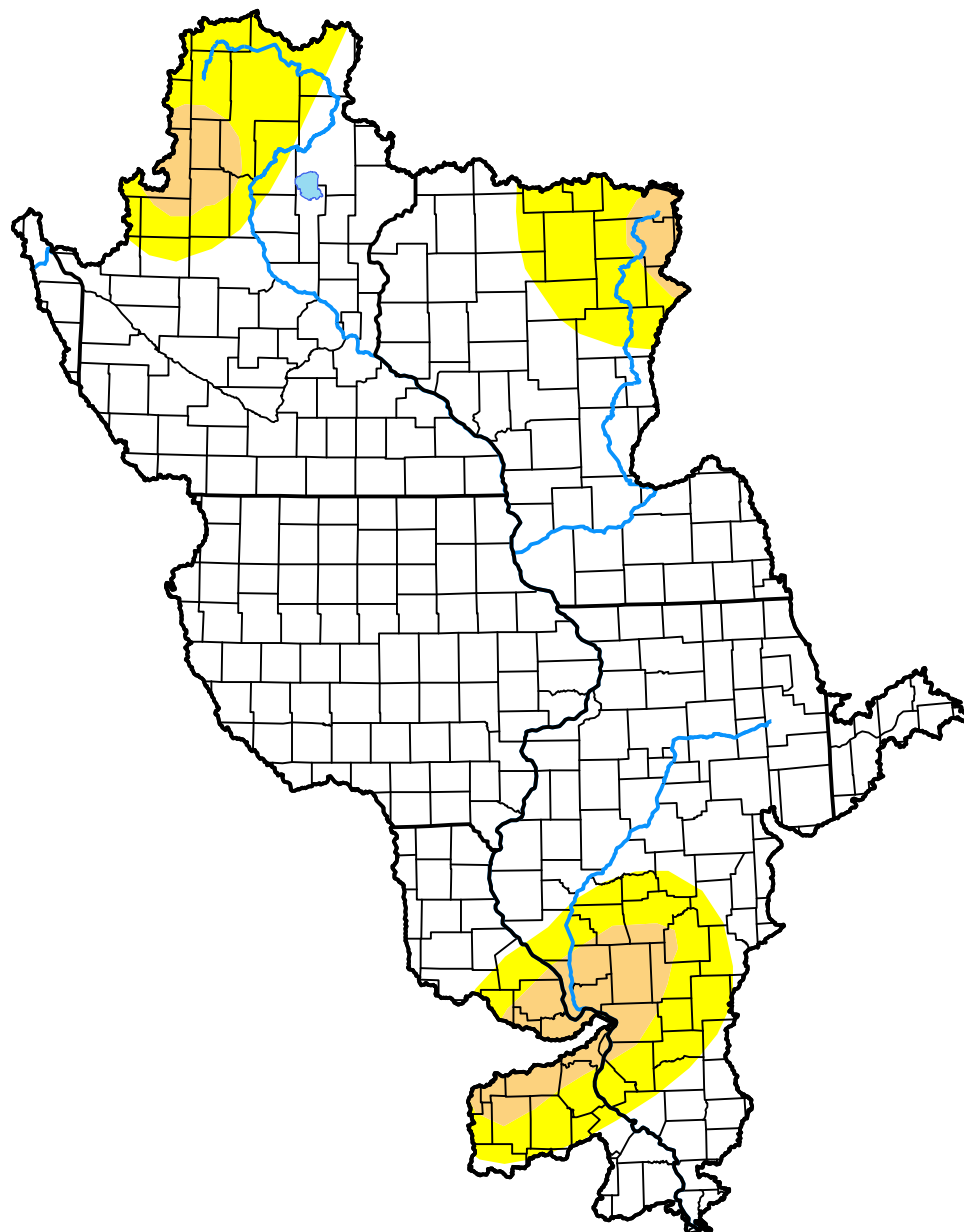


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 18, 2007**  
*(Released Thursday, Dec. 20, 2007)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 80.48 | 19.52 | 5.74  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-13-2007</i>              | 76.06 | 23.94 | 8.49  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-20-2007</i>           | 55.21 | 44.79 | 34.33 | 16.41 | 2.74  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2007</i> | 49.32 | 50.68 | 16.90 | 9.00  | 5.95  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2007</i>    | 57.15 | 42.85 | 31.43 | 9.36  | 0.73  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-21-2006</i>           | 49.56 | 50.44 | 16.90 | 9.00  | 5.95  | 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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