

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**March 23, 2010**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 87.40 | 12.60 | 6.17  | 1.08  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-18-2010</i>              | 87.41 | 12.59 | 6.17  | 1.08  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-24-2009</i>           | 85.60 | 14.40 | 6.55  | 1.97  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2009</i> | 85.60 | 14.40 | 6.55  | 1.97  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2009</i>    | 56.44 | 43.56 | 25.02 | 11.23 | 3.33  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-26-2009</i>           | 78.73 | 21.27 | 16.70 | 5.65  | 0.00  | 0.00 |

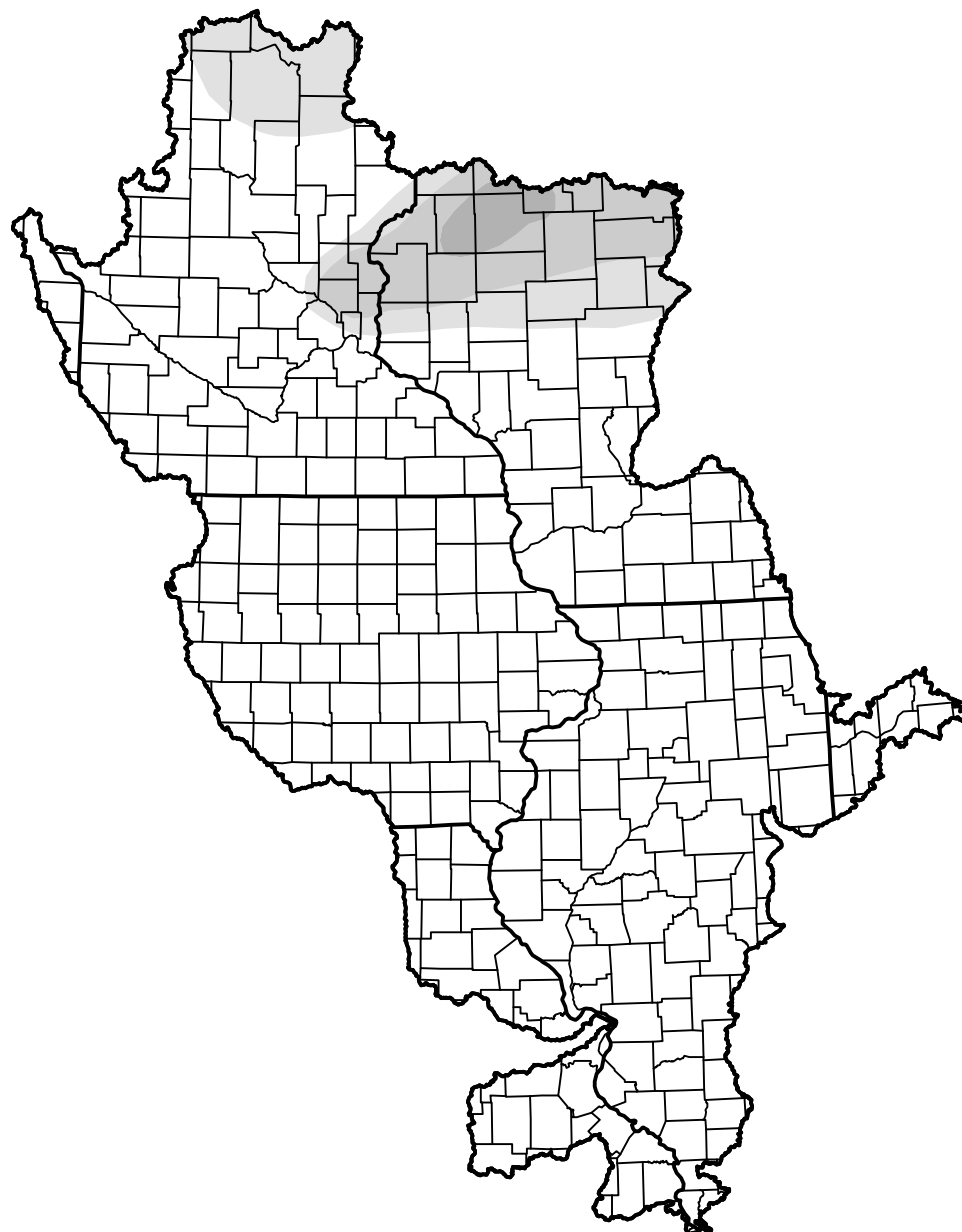
### Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  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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