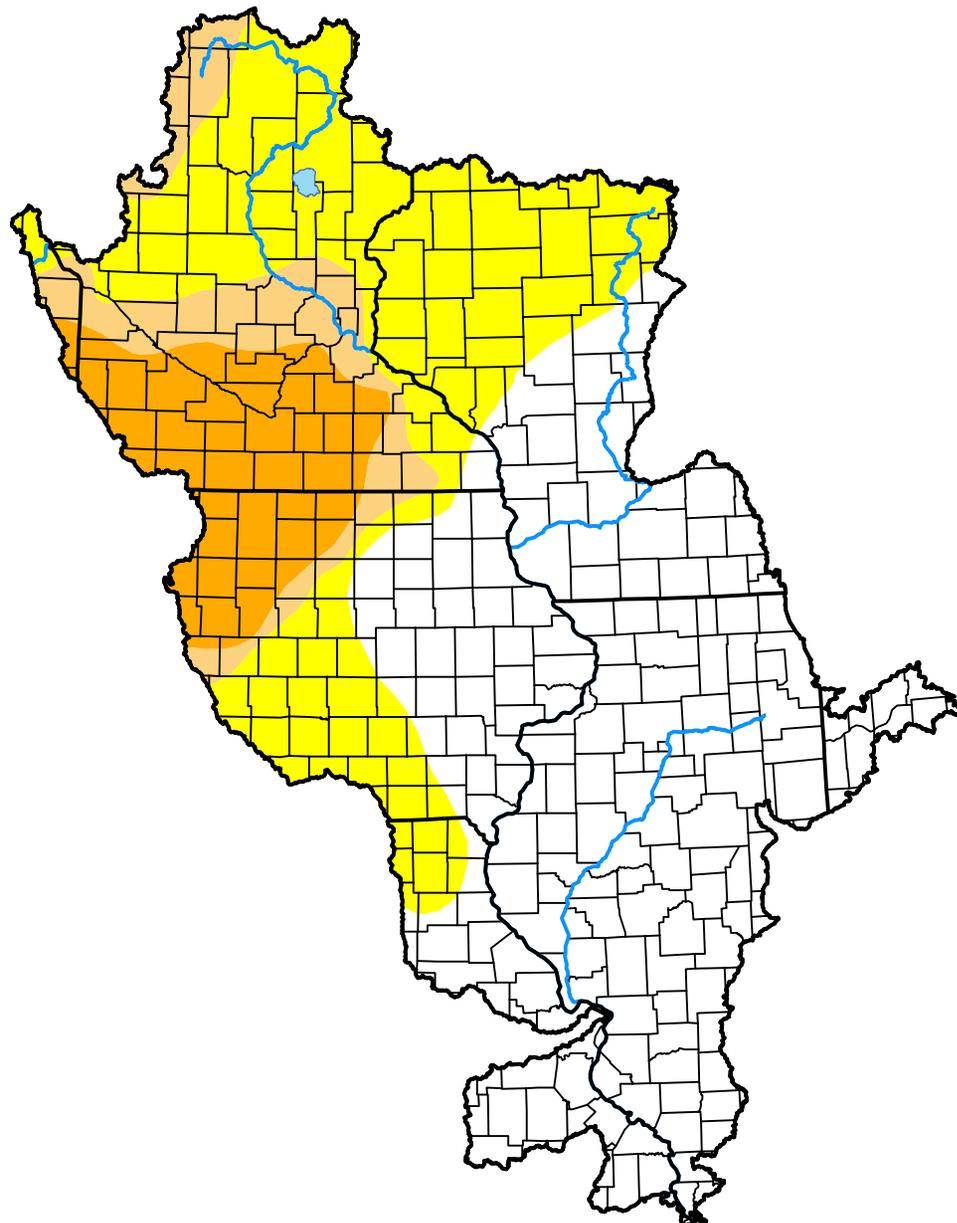


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 13, 2011**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	52.23	28.91	7.67	11.19	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-08-2011</i>	56.35	24.78	7.67	11.19	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-15-2011</i>	44.29	29.72	15.71	10.28	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-06-2011</i>	98.39	1.58	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2011</i>	48.81	29.45	13.83	7.91	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-16-2010</i>	94.80	5.17	0.03	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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