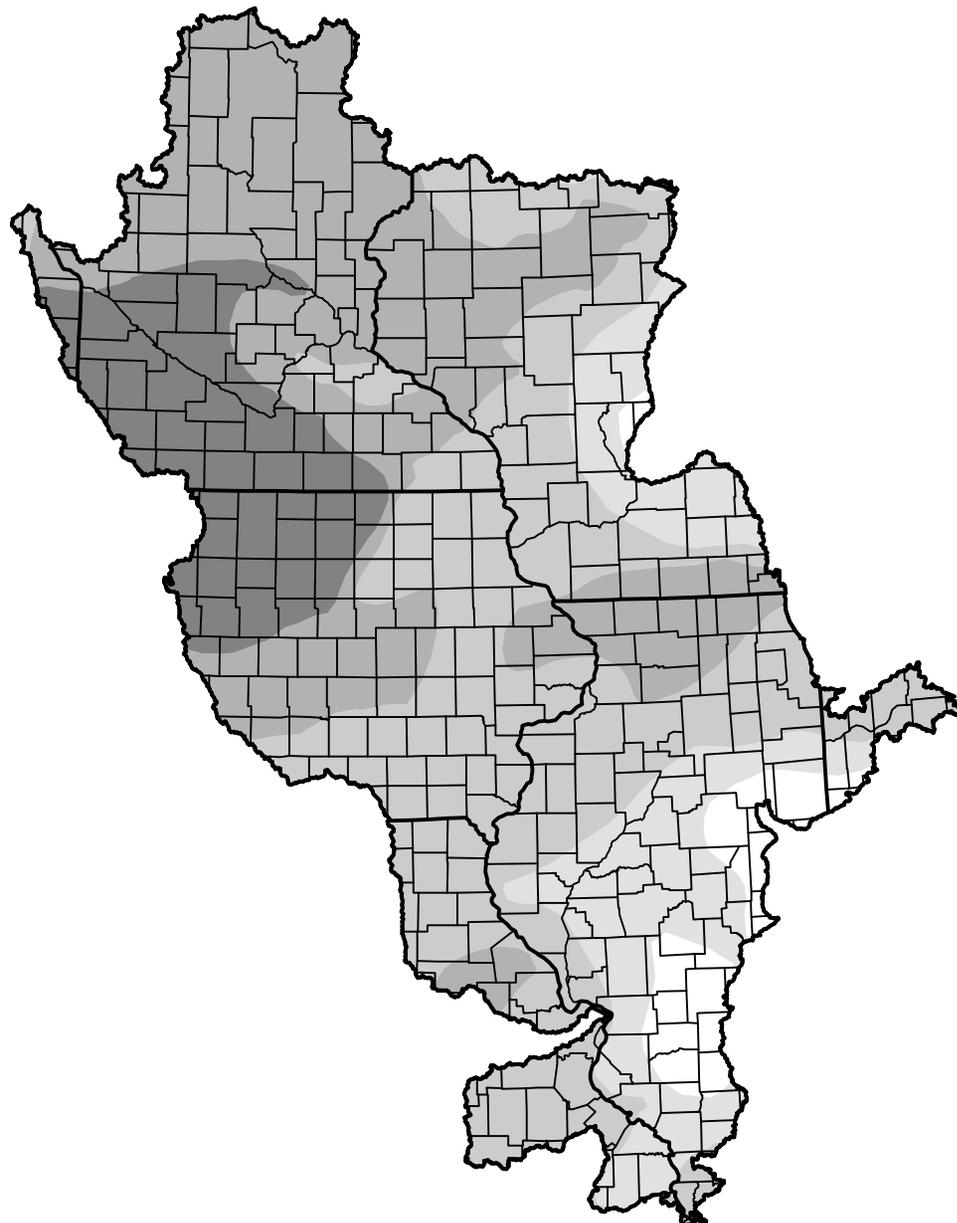


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 25, 2012**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 27, 2012)

Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	4.47	95.53	81.77	45.75	13.61	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-20-2012</i>	4.47	95.53	81.77	48.90	16.49	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-27-2012</i>	0.01	99.99	85.18	54.55	20.06	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2012</i>	57.95	42.05	18.60	11.18	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2012</i>	0.01	99.99	85.18	54.55	20.06	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-29-2011</i>	57.95	42.05	18.60	11.18	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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