

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

March 21, 2017

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 76.61 | 23.39 | 13.63 | 0.07  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>03-16-2017              | 76.61 | 23.39 | 13.63 | 0.07  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>12-22-2016           | 79.27 | 20.73 | 0.25  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-05-2017 | 80.09 | 19.91 | 4.71  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2016    | 99.18 | 0.82  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>03-24-2016           | 97.39 | 2.61  | 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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