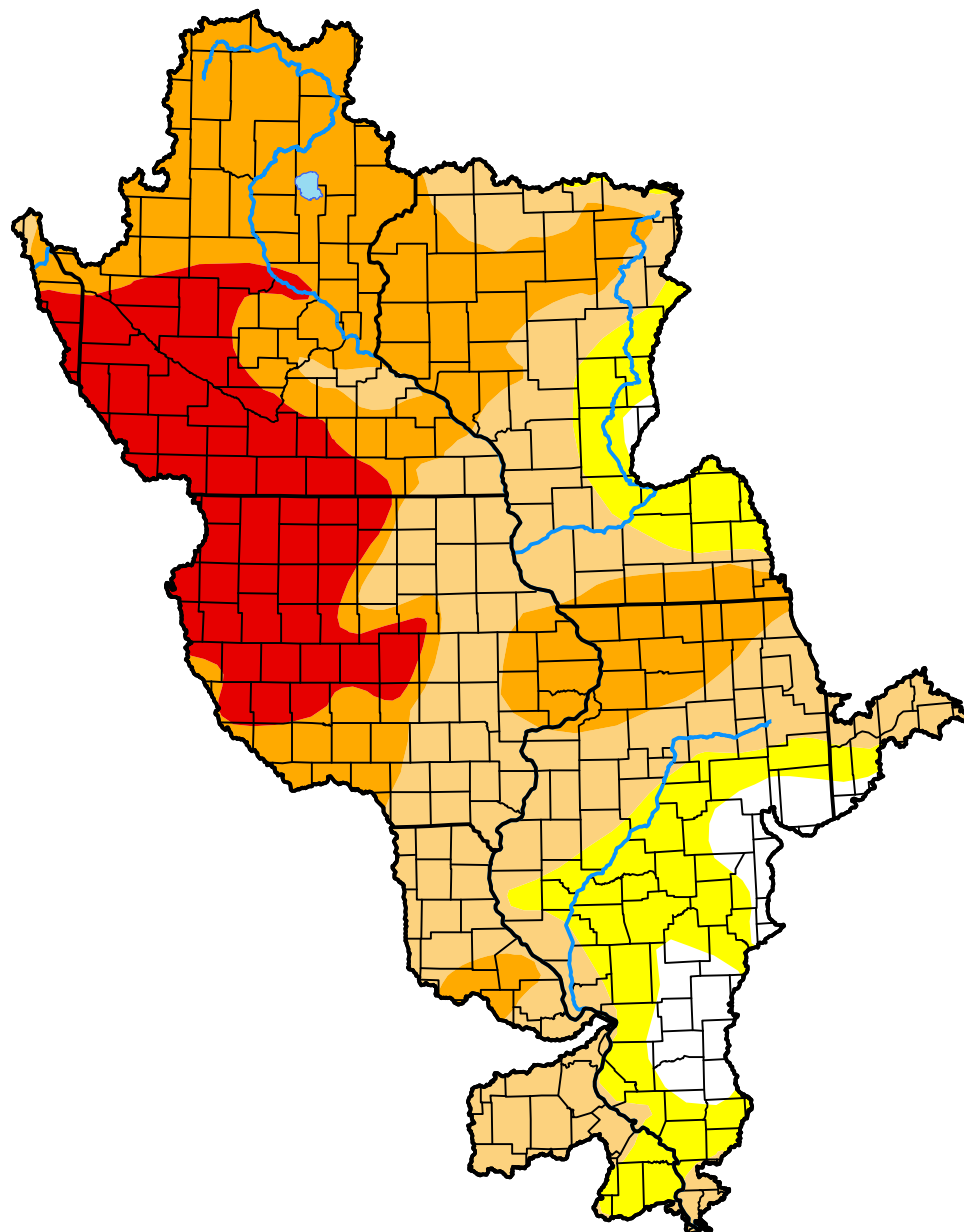


U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.47	95.53	81.77	48.90	16.49	0.00
Last Week <i>12-13-2012</i>	4.47	95.53	81.77	48.90	16.51	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2012</i>	0.00	100.00	83.25	50.62	17.89	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	57.95	42.05	18.60	11.18	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	0.01	99.99	85.18	54.55	20.06	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2011</i>	57.95	42.05	18.60	11.18	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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