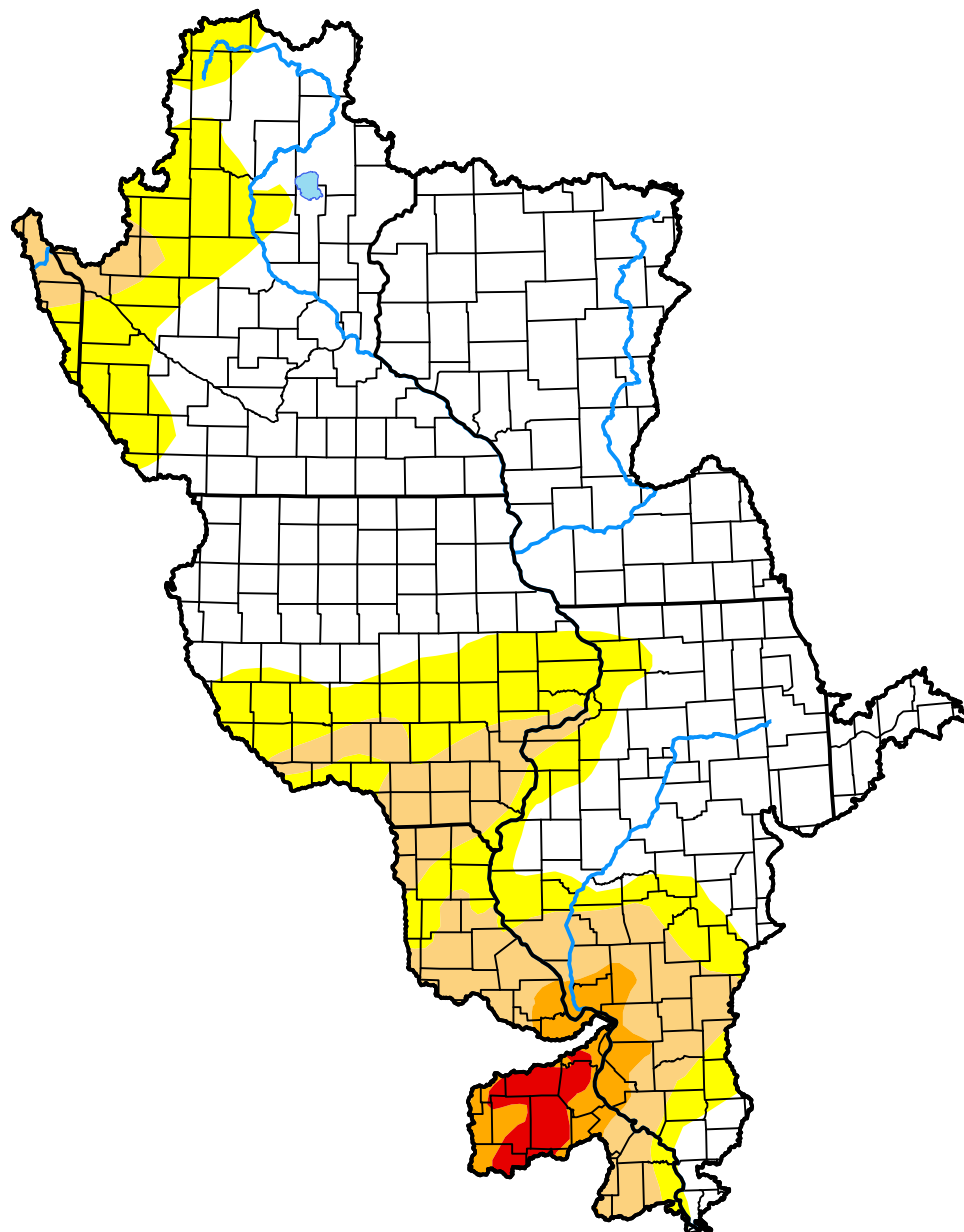


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**February 20, 2018**  
 (Released Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 64.77 | 19.02 | 12.23 | 2.65 | 1.33 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-15-2018</i>              | 57.96 | 23.30 | 14.76 | 2.65 | 1.33 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-22-2017</i>           | 77.99 | 14.56 | 5.26  | 2.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2018</i> | 64.80 | 22.94 | 9.20  | 3.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2017</i>    | 43.96 | 41.60 | 13.04 | 0.91 | 0.49 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-23-2017</i>           | 78.55 | 16.01 | 5.44  | 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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