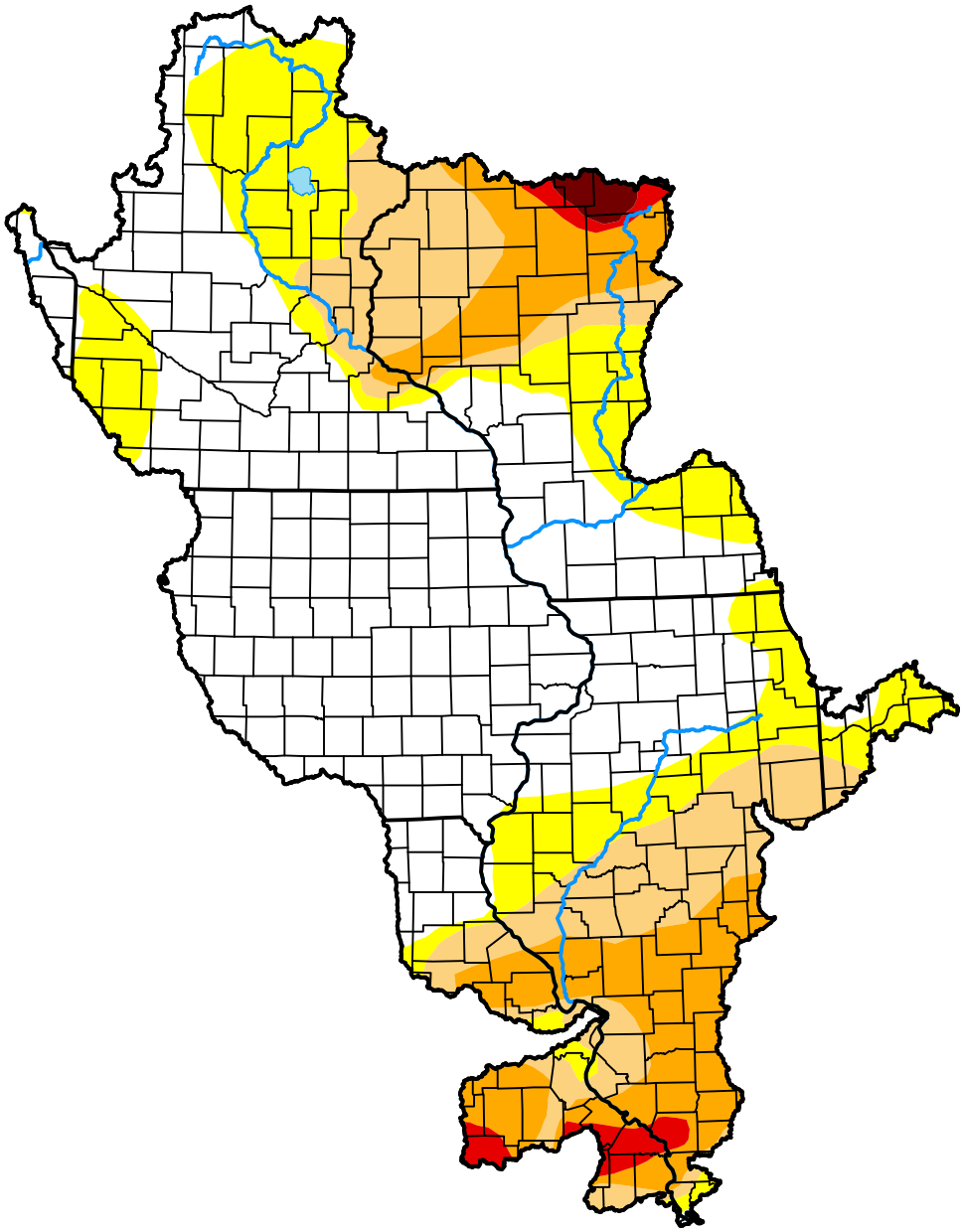
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# Upper Mississippi Watershed



## November 17, 2026

***(Released Thursday, Nov. 19, 2026)***

**Valid 7 a.m. EST**

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Current** | 50.43 | 49.57 | 29.83 | 14.64 | 2.07 | 0.56 |
| **Last Week** *11-10-2026* | 55.19 | 44.81 | 25.06 | 10.63 | 1.34 | 0.56 |
| **3 Months Ago** *08-18-2026* | 55.91 | 44.09 | 31.49 | 15.53 | 1.46 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** *01-06-2026* | 21.51 | 78.49 | 39.37 | 7.14 | 0.84 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Water Year** *09-29-2026* | 53.83 | 46.17 | 32.80 | 17.37 | 4.46 | 0.35 |
| **One Year Ago** *11-18-2025* | 15.97 | 84.03 | 45.67 | 14.58 | 0.82 | 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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