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FOREWORD

During spring and summer 1993, record flooding inundated much of the upper Mississippi River Basin. The magnitude of the damages—in terms of property, disrupted business, and personal trauma—was unmatched by any other flood disaster in United States history. Property damage alone is expected to exceed \$10 billion. Damaged highways and submerged roads disrupted overland transportation throughout the flooded region. The Mississippi and the Missouri Rivers were closed to navigation before, during, and after the flooding. Millions of acres of productive farmland remained under water for weeks during the growing season. Rills and gullies in many tilled fields are the result of the severe erosion that occurred throughout the Midwestern United States farmbelt. The hydrologic effects of extended rainfall throughout the upper Midwestern United States were severe and widespread. The banks and channels of many rivers were severely eroded, and sediment was deposited over large areas of the basin's flood plain. Record flows submerged many areas that had not been affected by previous floods. Industrial and agricultural areas were inundated, which caused concern about the transport and fate of industrial chemicals, sewage effluent, and agricultural chemicals in the floodwaters. The extent and duration of the flooding caused numerous levees to fail. One failed levee on the Raccoon River in Des Moines, Iowa, led to flooding of the city's water treatment plant. As a result, the city was without drinking water for 19 days.

As the Nation's principal water-science agency, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is in a unique position to provide an immediate assessment of some of the hydrological effects of the 1993 flood. The USGS maintains a hydrologic data network and conducts extensive water-resources investigations nationwide. Long-term data from this network and information on local and regional hydrology provide the basis for identifying and documenting the effects of the flooding. During the flood, the USGS provided continuous streamflow and related information to the National Weather Service (NWS), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and many State and local agencies as part of its role to provide basic information on the Nation's surface- and ground-water resources at thousands of locations across the United States. The NWS has used the data in forecasting floods and issuing flood warnings. The data have been used by the Corps of Engineers to operate water diversions, dams, locks, and levees. The FEMA and many State and local emergency management agencies have used USGS hydrologic data and NWS forecasts as part of the basis of their local flood-response activities. In addition, USGS hydrologists are conducting a series of investigations to document the effects of the flooding and to improve understanding of the related processes. The major initial findings from these studies will be reported in this Circular series as results become available.

U.S. Geological Survey Circular 1120, *Floods in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, 1993*, consists of individually published chapters that will document the effects of the 1993 flooding. The series includes data and findings on the magnitude and frequency of peak discharges; precipitation; water-quality characteristics, including nutrients and man-made contaminants; transport of sediment; assessment of sediment deposited on flood plains; effects of inundation on ground-water quality; flood-discharge volume; effects of reservoir storage on flood peaks; stream-channel scour at selected bridges; extent of flood-plain inundation; and documentation of geomorphologic changes.



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CONVERSION FACTORS AND VERTICAL DATUM

Multiply	By	To obtain
inch (in.)	25.4	millimeter
foot (ft)	0.3048	meter
mile (mi)	1.609	kilometer
square mile (mi ²)	2.590	square kilometer
cubic foot per second (ft ³ /s)	0.02832	cubic meter per second
acre-foot (acre-ft)	0.001233	cubic hectometer

Sea level: In this report, "sea level" refers to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD of 1929)—a geodetic datum derived from a general adjustment of the first-order level nets of both the United States and Canada, formerly called Sea Level Datum of 1929.

Flood Volumes in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 Through September 30, 1993

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Abstract

Previous maximum flows on many streams and rivers were exceeded during the flood of 1993 in the upper Mississippi River Basin. Not only were peak discharges exceeded at many streamflow-gaging stations, but flood volumes were significantly higher than previous maximums. Rainfall amounts that were greater than 50 inches were recorded in parts of Kansas, Missouri, and Iowa from April 1 through September 30, 1993. As a result of the excess rainfall, 53 of the 60 stations discussed in this report had flow volumes that were greater than twice the mean flow volume for April through September. The Mississippi River at St. Louis, Missouri, remained above flood stage for 144 days from April 1 to September 30, 1993, compared with 81 days during the 1973 flood. Of the 60 stations, 24 recorded new maximum 3-day flood volumes, and 47 recorded new maximum 120-day flood volumes. This indicates that the flooding of 1993 is significant with respect to its long duration and magnitude of flow. The same aspect is indicated in the frequency analysis of the 1993 flood. During the 1993 flood, the 100-year 3-day flows were exceeded at 22 stations, and the 120-day flows were exceeded at 43 stations.

INTRODUCTION

A common definition of the word "flood" is the temporary overflow from a river onto adjacent lands not normally covered by water. In 1993, millions of acres of land in the upper Mississippi River

Basin were flooded for weeks and months as persistent heavy rain fell over the Missouri and the Mississippi River Basins. Record or near-record flood discharges were recorded at streamflow-gaging stations in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, and Missouri (fig. 1). At some streamflow-gaging stations, record peak discharges were measured early in the flood period only to have that record broken days or months later. The intense rainfall caused not only peak flood discharges, but sustained large flood volumes that resulted in more than 420 counties in the nine-State area being declared a Federal disaster area.

The sustained high flows transported enormous amounts of sediment and agricultural chemicals to the Gulf of Mexico, caused severe river bank erosion and instability, and resulted in scour of river channels at bridge crossings from April 1 through September 30, 1993. The Missouri and the Mississippi Rivers upstream from St. Louis, Missouri, were closed to all barge traffic. Numerous interstates and State highways also were closed for weeks until the flood waters finally receded.

Flow volume is an important aspect to be considered in the analysis and description of flooding in the upper Mississippi River Basin. At streamflow-gaging stations throughout the upper Mississippi River Basin, record or near-record flow peaks and volumes were observed during the April 1 through September 30, 1993, flood; record flow peaks at 154 selected streamflow-gaging stations were described by Parrett and others (1993). Because flow volumes may be defined by several different characteristics, the flow volume data require more extensive computations than do flow peak data. Only data for the 60 selected streamflow-gaging stations are presented in this report.

Reservoirs on the Missouri River main stem and tributaries to the Missouri and the Mississippi

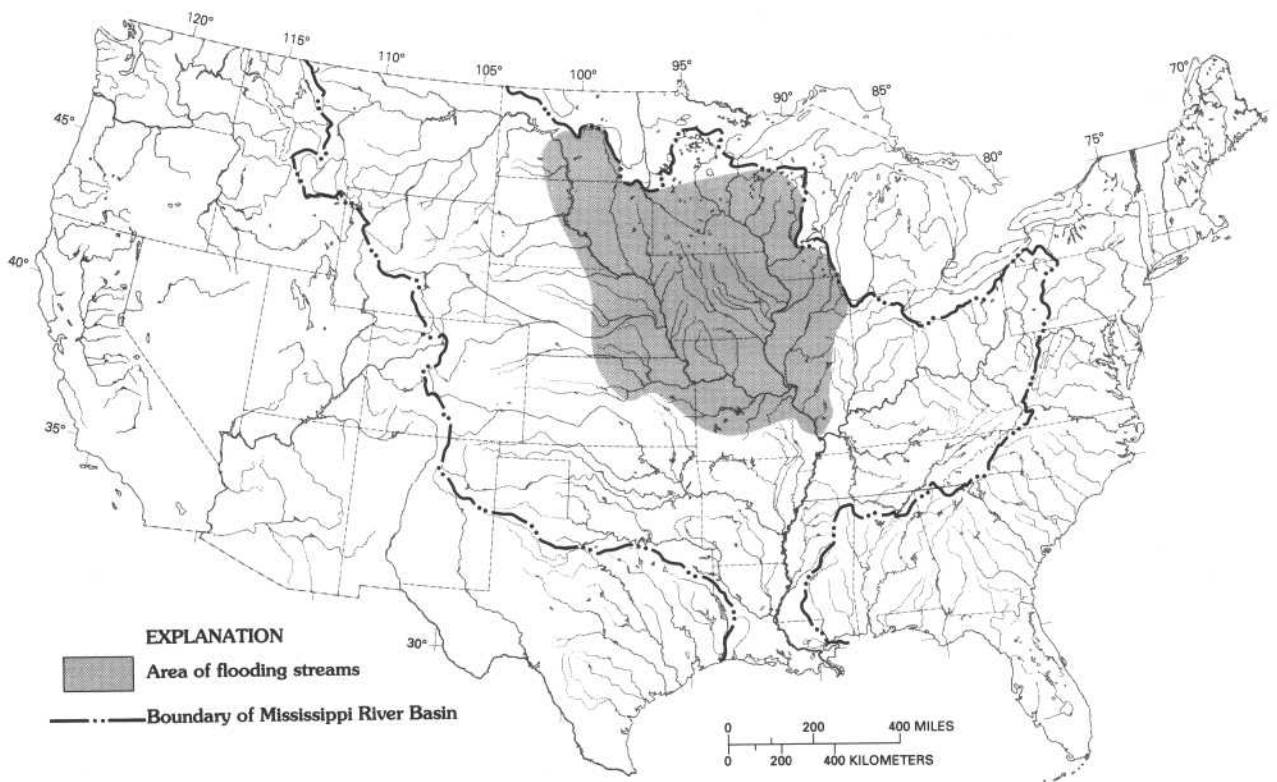


Figure 1. The Mississippi River Basin and general area of flooding, April 1 through September 30, 1993. (Map from Parrett and others, 1993.)

Rivers stored millions of acre-feet of water to minimize flood damages downstream of the reservoirs. An increase in storage of 3,152,000 acre-feet of water in the Harry S. Truman Reservoir at Warsaw, Missouri, from April 1 to August 2, 1993, decreased flooding on the main stem of the Missouri River downstream.

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this report is to describe quantitatively, for selected locations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, the magnitude and frequency of the flood with respect to flow volume from April 1 through September 30, 1993. A brief summary of the excessive rainfall for the 6-month period is presented as background information. Flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations were computed for the entire period of interest and compared with mean flow volume for the period; a comparison also is made to the period of record mean annual runoff at each station. To further document the magnitude of the flooding, selected n -day consecutive periods were summarized for 1993 and compared with the previ-

ous maximum n -day flood volume. The 1993 n -day flow volume recurrence intervals also were computed on the basis of the period of record at each station. The 1993 flow volumes are compared with the various 100-year flow volumes for n -day consecutive periods. The discharge hydrographs for main stem stations on the Mississippi and the Missouri Rivers are presented for April through September. Data from selected reservoirs are shown graphically to describe the magnitude of storage and to present the inflow and outflow discharges at these sites.

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PRECIPITATION, APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1993

From April 1 through September 30, 1993, record or near-record precipitation was measured in the upper Mississippi River Basin. More than 50 inches of rain fell in parts of Iowa, Missouri, and Kansas (fig. 2) from April to September. The heaviest rain fell in eastern Kansas, from southwestern to northeastern Missouri, and in the eastern two-thirds of Iowa. Rainfall totals of 30 or more inches were measured in most places; a maximum of 52.2 inches of rain fell in east-central Missouri. Rainfall during this period followed above-normal precipitation that had fallen during the winter and early spring.

An unusual characteristic of the chronological distribution of the extreme rainfall is that the heaviest rain at any particular location could have fallen in any month from April 1 through September 30, 1993. To illustrate the distribution of precipitation in the general area of flooding, the 1993 and normal (1961–90) monthly precipitation totals of seven selected National Weather Service precipitation stations are shown in figure 3. At Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the largest monthly recorded rainfall was 8.26 inches in May. However, near the mouth of the Missouri River at St. Louis, Missouri, the largest monthly rainfall total (9.16 inches) was in September. The magnitude of the monthly rainfall totals also are shown in figure 3. The rainfall total for July at Lincoln, Nebraska, was 12.50 inches, or 3.9 times the normal rainfall. This distribution and magnitude of rainfall in the flood area sustained the high stages and discharge volumes of runoff on many streams and rivers, especially on the Missouri and the Mississippi River main stems. A general overview of the excessive precipitation during spring and summer 1993 is provided in Wahl and others (1993).

FLOOD VOLUMES, APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1993

One of the most significant aspects of the 1993 floods in the upper Mississippi River Basin is the volume of runoff in area streams and rivers. These flood volumes are directly related to total loads of sediment and agricultural chemicals that were transported to the Gulf of Mexico by the Mississippi River (Goolsby and others, 1993). Thus, the analysis of the displacement of these constituents is dependent on quantifying the vol-

ume of water in a given time period. A summary of the flood volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations from April 1 through September 30 is presented in this report. The magnitude, frequency, and duration of the volume of runoff are discussed.

Magnitude and Duration of Volume of Runoff

The magnitude and duration of the 1993 flood volumes for April through September can be appreciated by comparing them with the mean runoff for the same period and to the previous maximum runoff for the period of record at each streamflow-gaging station listed in table 1.¹ The location of these stations in the general flood area is shown in figure 4. For informational purposes, the 1993 flows also may be compared with the mean annual flows for the period at each station.

To ensure a meaningful comparison or analysis of discharge at a streamflow-gaging station, the channel and drainage-basin characteristics for the station must be consistent during the period of record used in the analyses. For most streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, significant effects on the river basin, such as reservoir operation and irrigation, do not exist, and the entire streamflow record can be used for comparison purposes and statistical analyses. However, at a few of the streamflow-gaging stations, such as those on the Kansas and the Missouri River main stems, the flow is affected by reservoir operation. In these instances, the period of record that was used to determine mean flow volumes and recurrence intervals began when the last major reservoir was put into operation.

The runoff volumes from April through September 1993 were in excess of the mean for the same period at the 60 stations (table 1; fig. 4). In fact, of the 60 stations, 53 had flow volumes that were greater than twice the mean. The ratio of the 1993 runoff volume to the mean flow volume at each station ranged from 1.18 for the Flambeau River near Bruce, Wisconsin (site number 7), to 8.75 for the Rock River at Rock Valley, Iowa (site number 35).

The runoff volume from April through September also was compared with the period of record mean annual runoff or the volume of runoff that

¹Tables 1 through 3 appear on pages 15 through 32.

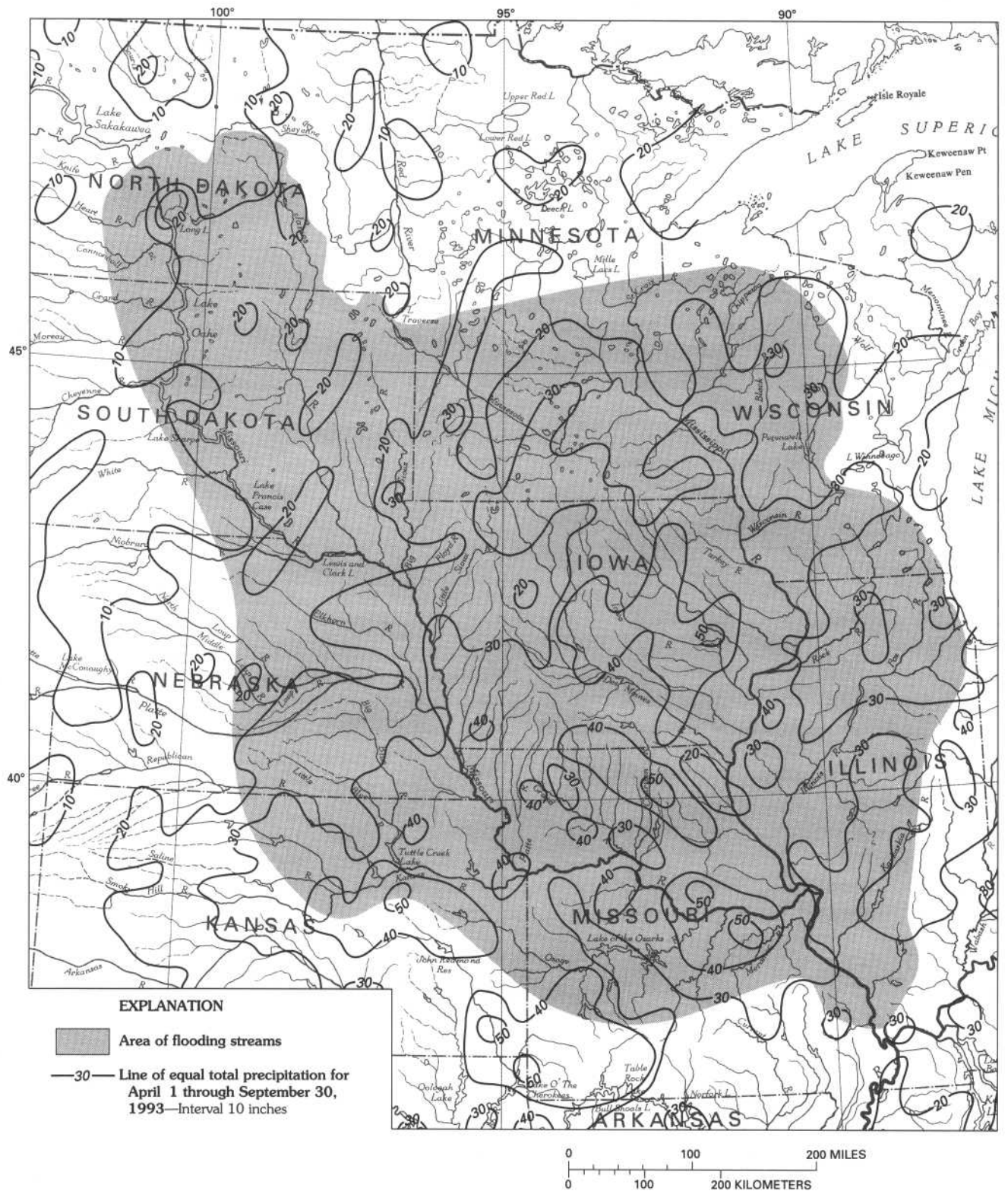


Figure 2. Areal distribution of total precipitation in the area of flooding in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993. (Precipitation data from David Miscus, National Weather Service, written commun., 1993.)

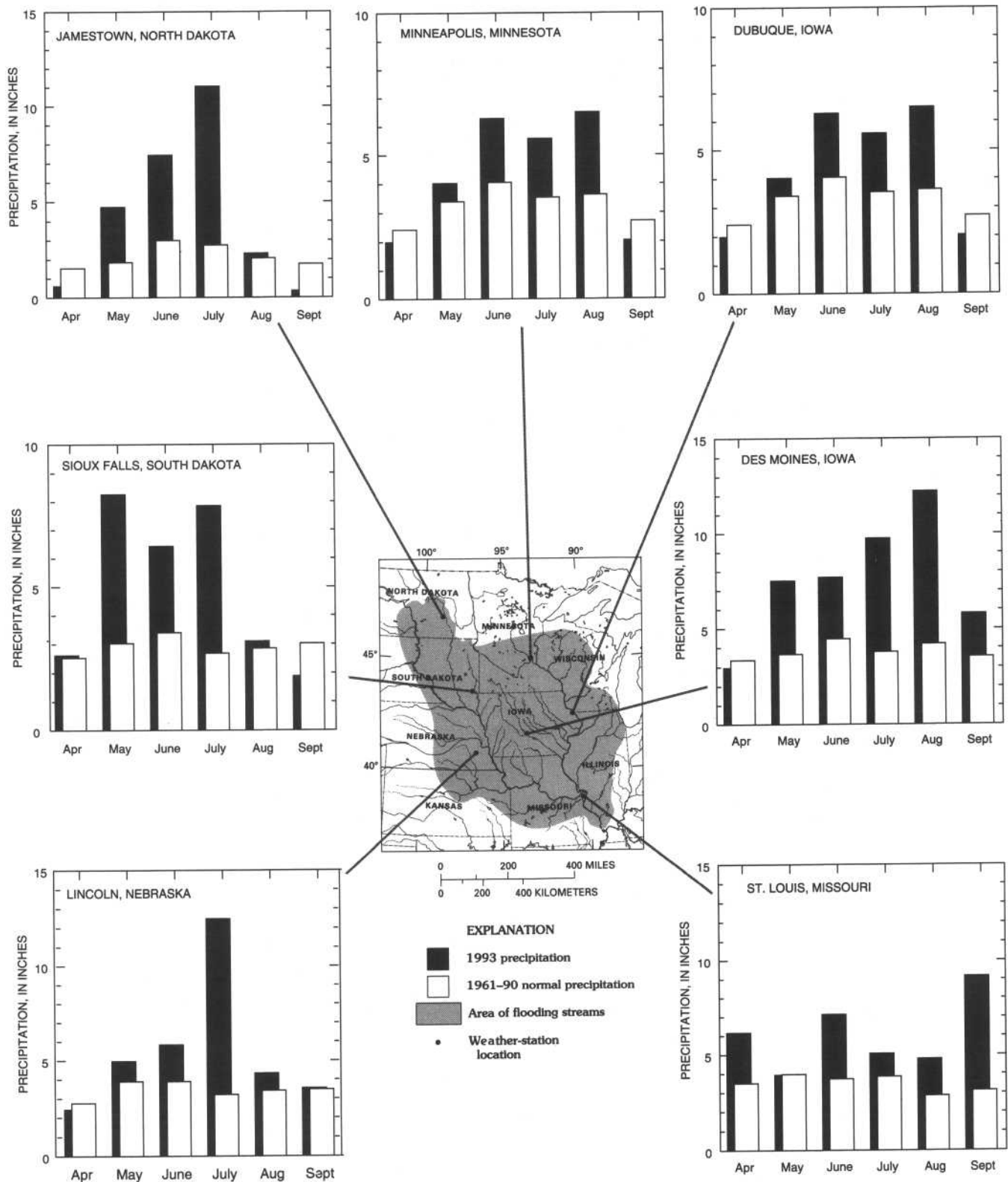


Figure 3. Monthly precipitation for April 1 through September 30, 1993, and 30-year monthly normals (April through September 1961-90) at seven weather stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin. (Map modified from Parrett and others, 1993.)

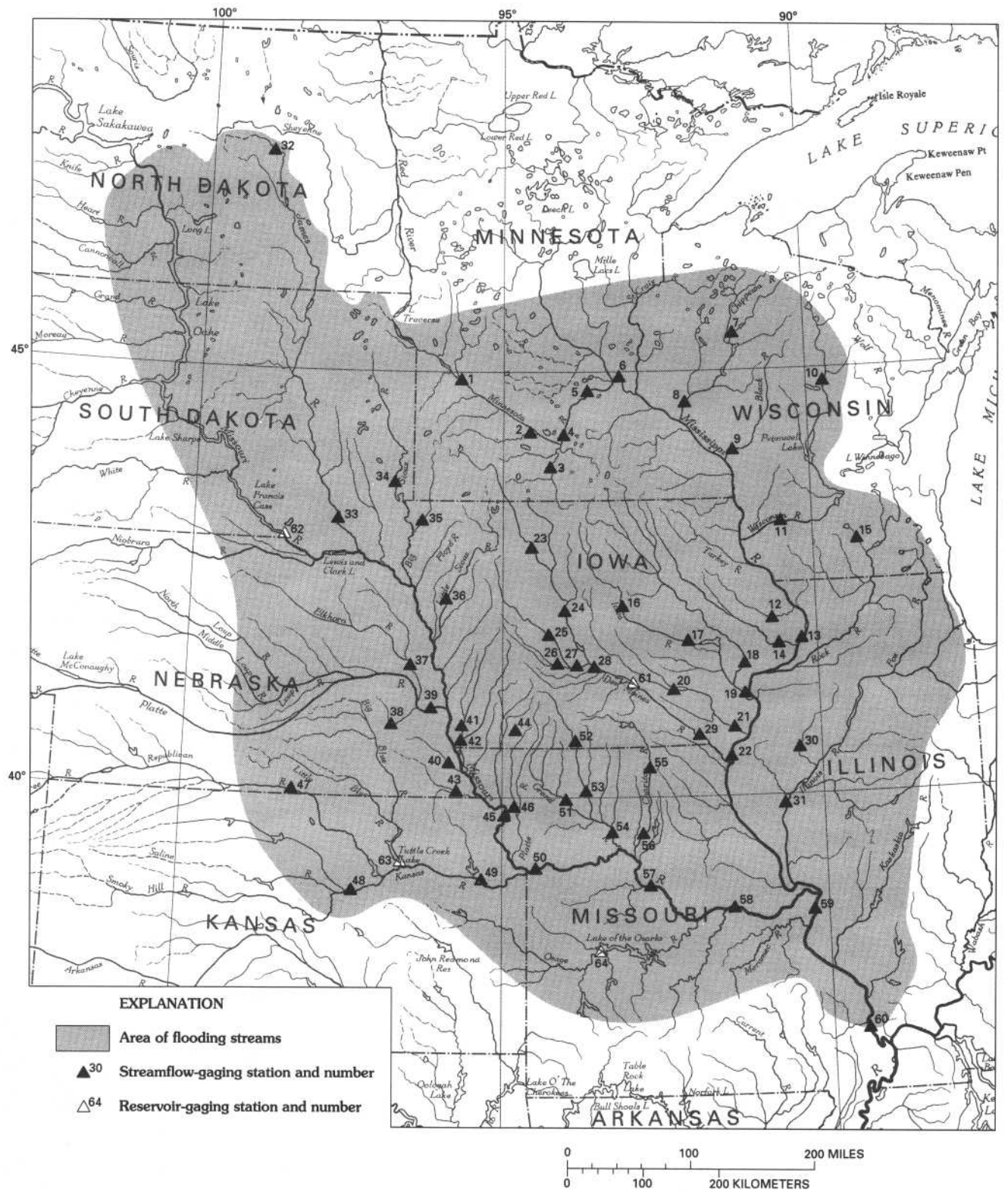


Figure 4. Location of selected streamflow-gaging stations and reservoirs in the upper Mississippi River Basin.

would normally be expected in a year. Of the 60 stations, only 4 had runoff volumes that were less than the mean runoff volume for an entire year, and 9 had volumes of flow that were greater than four times the mean annual runoff. Graphs of the monthly mean runoff from April through September 1993 and the mean monthly runoff for the period of record for seven streamflow-gaging stations are shown in figure 5. During August, the flows on the James River near Scotland, South Dakota (site number 33), were 18 times the August mean flow.

Excessive flow volumes also are reflected in the number of days the river remained above flood stage or the flow at flood stage. Of a possible 183 days from April 1 through September 30, 1993, 17 stations were above flood stage for longer than 90 days, or 3 months. In addition to the flood of 1993, the flood of 1973 was a significant event on the main stem of the Mississippi River at St. Louis. In a comparison of the floods of 1973 and 1993, the 1973 event had flows above flood stage for 81 days, and the 1993 event had flows above flood stage for 144 days. A plot of discharge hydrographs for stations on the Mississippi River main stem and stations on the Missouri River main stem are shown in figures 6 and 7. These hydrographs depict the long duration of flooding with respect to time and multiple peaks during the event. The time sequence as the flood peaks travel downstream also is shown on both figures.

The significance of the 1993 flow volumes also may be indicated by determining the period of n consecutive days in 1993, which had the highest accumulated flow, and comparing this flow (the 1993 annual n -day flow) with the previous maximum n -day flow for the period of record. This comparison for the 1993 flow volume and the previous maximum for the period of record for 3-, 7-, and 30-day periods is listed in table 2. Comparisons of the 60-, 90-, and 120-day periods for 1993 flow volumes and previous maximums are listed in table 3. In general, the longer the n -day period, the more significant the 1993 flow was when compared with previous maximums. For example, the streamflow-gaging station on the Blue Earth River near Rapidan, Minnesota (site number 3), had a 3-day flow of slightly less than one-half the previous 3-day maximum, but for the 120-day period, the 1993 flow was 1.69 times the previous maximum. Of the 60 stations analyzed in this report, 24 had new maximum 3-day flows (table 2) and 47 had new maximum 120-day flows (table 3).

Frequency of Volume of Runoff

Recurrence interval or probability of exceedance also can be used to quantify the magnitude of a specific flood event (tables 2, 3). The statistical procedure used here to compute recurrence intervals for peak discharges also is applicable to flow analysis for any specific highest daily mean discharge for n -day consecutive periods. A comprehensive description of the procedures used can be found in Bulletin 17B of the Interagency Advisory Committee on Water Data (1982). Recurrence interval is the number of years, on the average, between exceedances of the annual n -day flow of a specified discharge; for example, the 100-year flow volume is exceeded, on the average, once every 100 years. The probability of exceedance is the reciprocal of recurrence interval; for example, the 100-year flow volume has a 1 in 100 chance, or 0.01 probability, of being exceeded in any given year. The 100-year recurrence interval was exceeded at 22 stations for a 3-day duration (table 2) and at 43 stations for a 120-day duration (table 3). Comparison of the 1993 n -day flow with respect to the computed 100-year value for each n -day period is shown in figure 8 for selected stations. In the majority of cases, the 1993 flows exceeded the 100-year flows. The Missouri River at Kansas City, Missouri (site number 50), 3-day duration flow and the Iowa River at Wapello (site number 19), 120-day duration flow were 1.8 times the 100-year flow.

EFFECTS OF RESERVOIRS ON FLOODS

The effect of the main-stem reservoirs on the Missouri River in reducing flows is apparent when comparing the recurrence intervals for the 120-day duration at the Nebraska City, Nebraska (site number 40), streamflow-gaging station with a station farther downstream, such as that at St. Joseph, Missouri (site number 45). The 120-day flow at Nebraska City had a recurrence interval of 16 years in comparison to a recurrence interval of 80 years at St. Joseph; this indicates that the less severe flood at Nebraska City was the result of storage of flood waters in upstream reservoirs. However, because of the tremendous amount of inflow below the main-stem reservoirs, the shorter duration 3-day flow has a 60-year recurrence interval, which is significantly higher than the 16-year recurrence interval for the 120-day value at Nebraska City. The main-stem reservoirs on the Missouri River

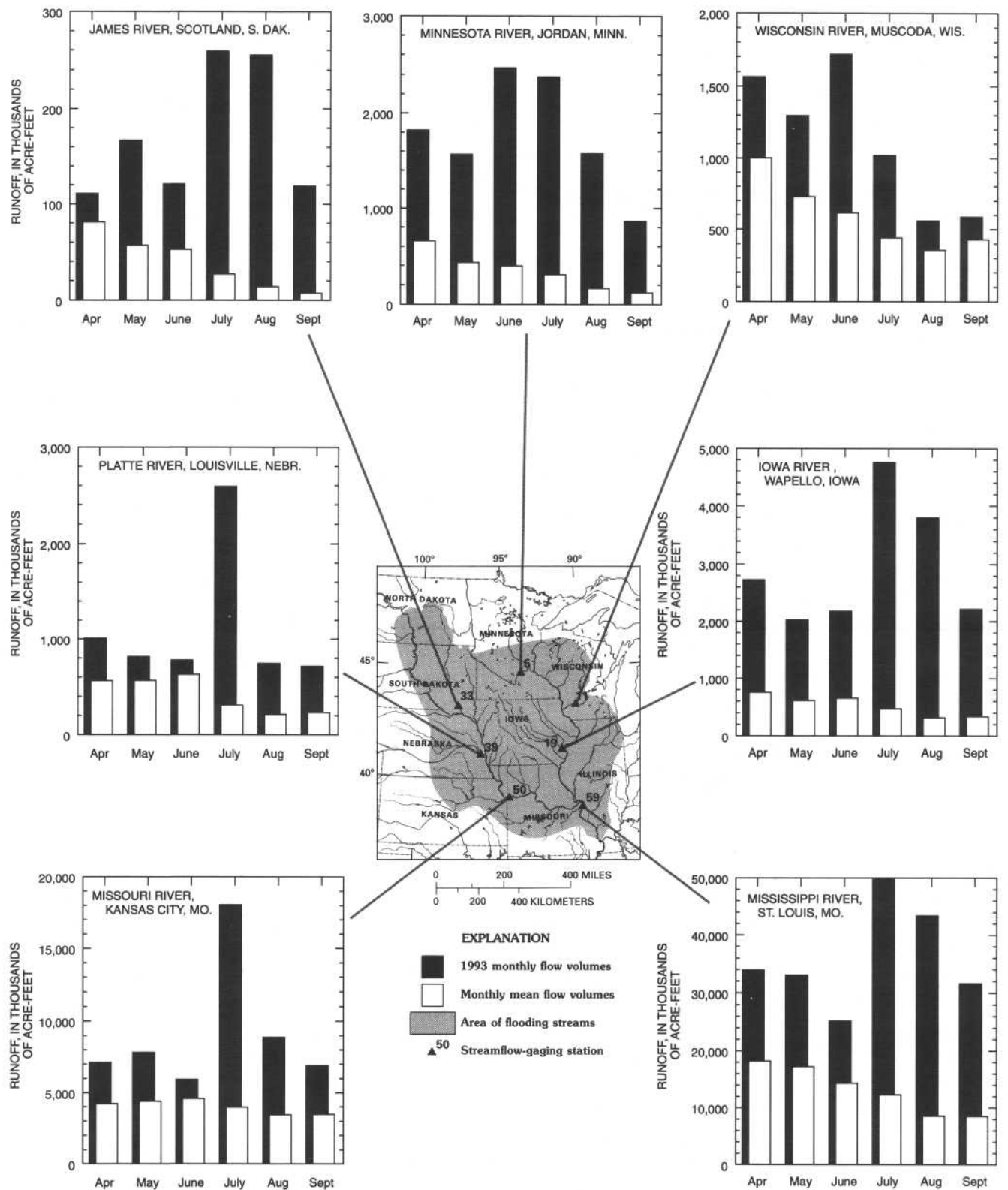


Figure 5. Monthly flow runoff, April 1 through September 30, 1993, and mean monthly runoff volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin.

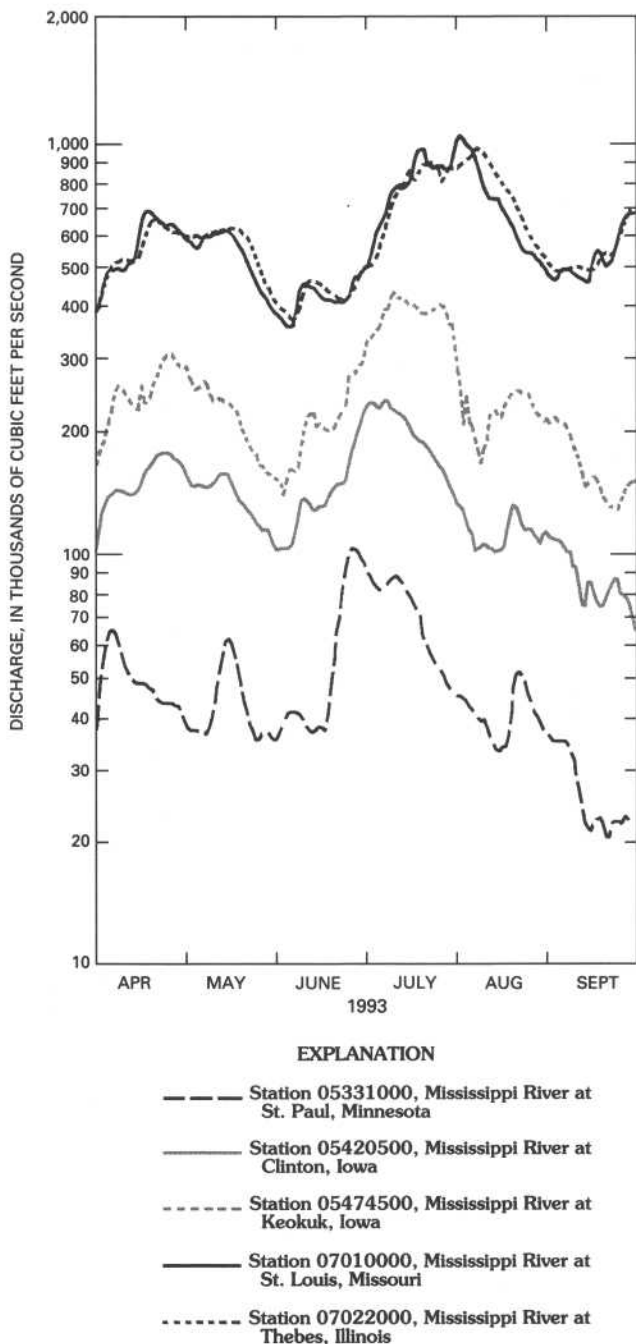


Figure 6. Discharge hydrographs at selected streamflow-gaging stations on the Mississippi River, April 1 through September 30, 1993.

stored a significant amount of flow from April through September, thus reducing the long duration of flooding downstream from the reservoirs. However, as a result of the magnitude and intensity of storms downstream of the reservoirs, shorter duration flow events were still very pronounced and had high recurrence intervals.

An important aspect of the flood of 1993 is the role of flood-control reservoirs in the upper Missis-

sippi River Basin. Most of reservoirs are on the main stem of the Missouri River and in the Kansas River Basin, which is a major tributary to the Missouri River. Because of storage in the reservoirs in the Kansas River Basin, peak flows from below Tuttle Creek Lake downstream to the mouth of the Kansas River were reduced by 30 percent or more (Perry, 1994).

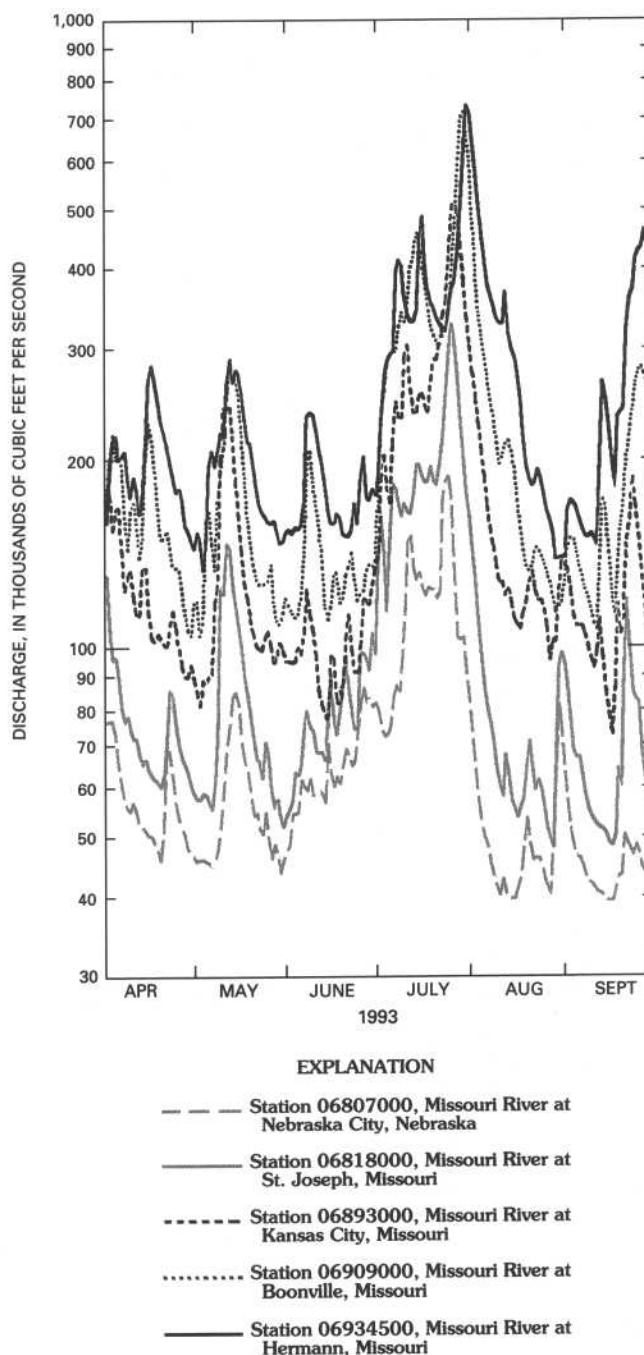


Figure 7. Discharge hydrographs at selected streamflow-gaging stations on the Missouri River, April 1 through September 30, 1993.

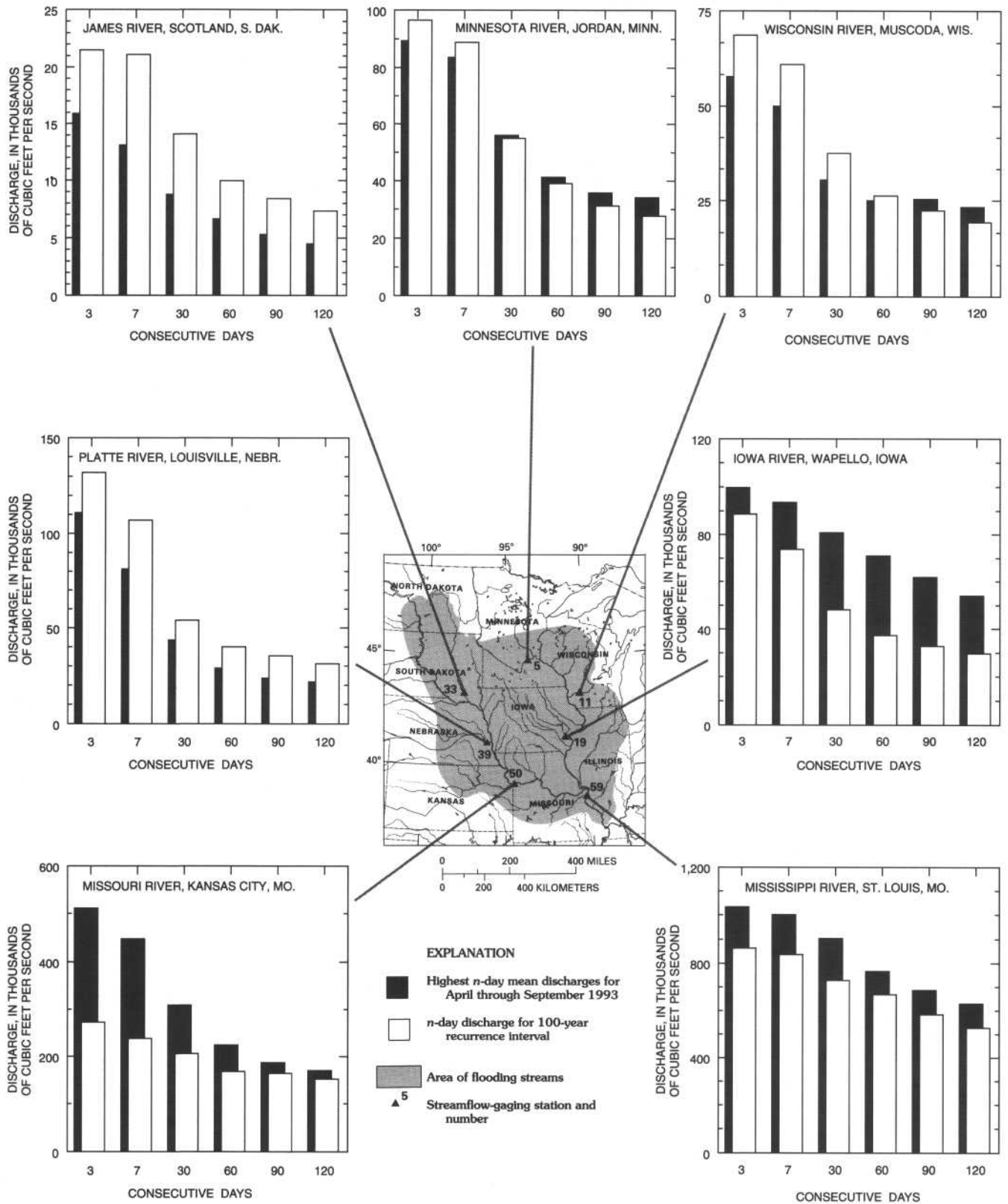


Figure 8. Highest *n*-day mean discharges for indicated number of consecutive days, April 1 through September 30, 1993, and 100-year recurrence-interval *n*-day annual discharges at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin.

ELEVATION AND CONTENTS OF SELECTED RESERVOIRS

Record or near-record volumes of flood water were stored in many reservoirs to reduce outflows and to minimize flood damages downstream of reservoirs. The Tuttle Creek Lake on the Kansas River near Manhattan, Kansas (site number 63; table 4), had a maximum pool elevation of 1,137.76 feet above sea level, which was nearly 10 feet higher than the 1986 maximum, and storage of 2,420,000 acre-feet, which was 24 percent more flood volume than the 1986 maximum. The maximum pool elevation and contents data for four of the largest reservoirs in the general flood area are listed in table 4. Although not all these reservoirs established new maximum elevations or contents in 1993, the combined storage of the reservoirs and the dates of maximum releases substantially minimized flood damages downstream from the reservoirs. On the Des Moines River, Lake Red Rock (site number 61; table 4) near Pella, Iowa, stored 1,784,000 acre-feet of flood waters from April through September to minimize damages downstream. About 7,661,000 acre-feet was stored in the reservoirs listed in table 4. A graphical representation of the reservoir elevation and contents from April through September 1993 is shown in figure 9. The result of the storage of flood waters with plots of the inflow into the reservoirs and outflows from the reservoirs is shown in figure 10. In all cases, it is important to note that the maximum outflows were less than the maximum inflows during extensive flooding downstream.

SUMMARY

Record high flood flows were observed in nine States in the upper Mississippi River Basin from April 1 through September 30, 1993. In the upper Midwest, sustained high flows caused the halting of barge traffic, closing of highways, and flooding of farmland, which resulted in billions of dollars in damages. The high flows were sustained by storms that produced more than 30 inches of rain in Kansas, Missouri, and Iowa; some places received more than 50 inches from April through September. In July, Lincoln, Nebraska, recorded 12.50 inches of rain, or 3.9 times its normal rainfall for the month.

The flood runoff or volume that resulted from the excessive rainfall can be quantified by comparing

Table 4. Elevation and contents of selected reservoirs in the upper Mississippi River Basin

[mi², square mile; ft, foot; acre-ft, acre-feet]

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number (fig. 4)	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Maximum in 1993			Previous maximum			
				Elevation (feet above sea level)	Contents (acre-ft)	Date	Elevation (feet above sea level)	Contents (acre-ft)	Date	Period of record
61	05488100	Lake Red Rock near Pella, Iowa. . .	12,323	782.67	1,933,000	7/13	779.61	1,765,000	6/25/84	1969
62	06452500	Lake Francis Case at Pickstown, S. Dak.	263,500	1,361.0	4,129,000	7/31	1,364.20	5,087,000	6/20/62	1952
63	06886900	Tuttle Creek Lake near Manhattan, Kans.	9,628	1,137.76	2,420,000	7/22	1,127.90	1,958,000	10/18/86	1962
64	06922440	Harry S. Truman Reservoir at Warsaw, Mo.	11,500	735.20	4,352,000	8/2	738.69	5,020,000	10/11/86	1977

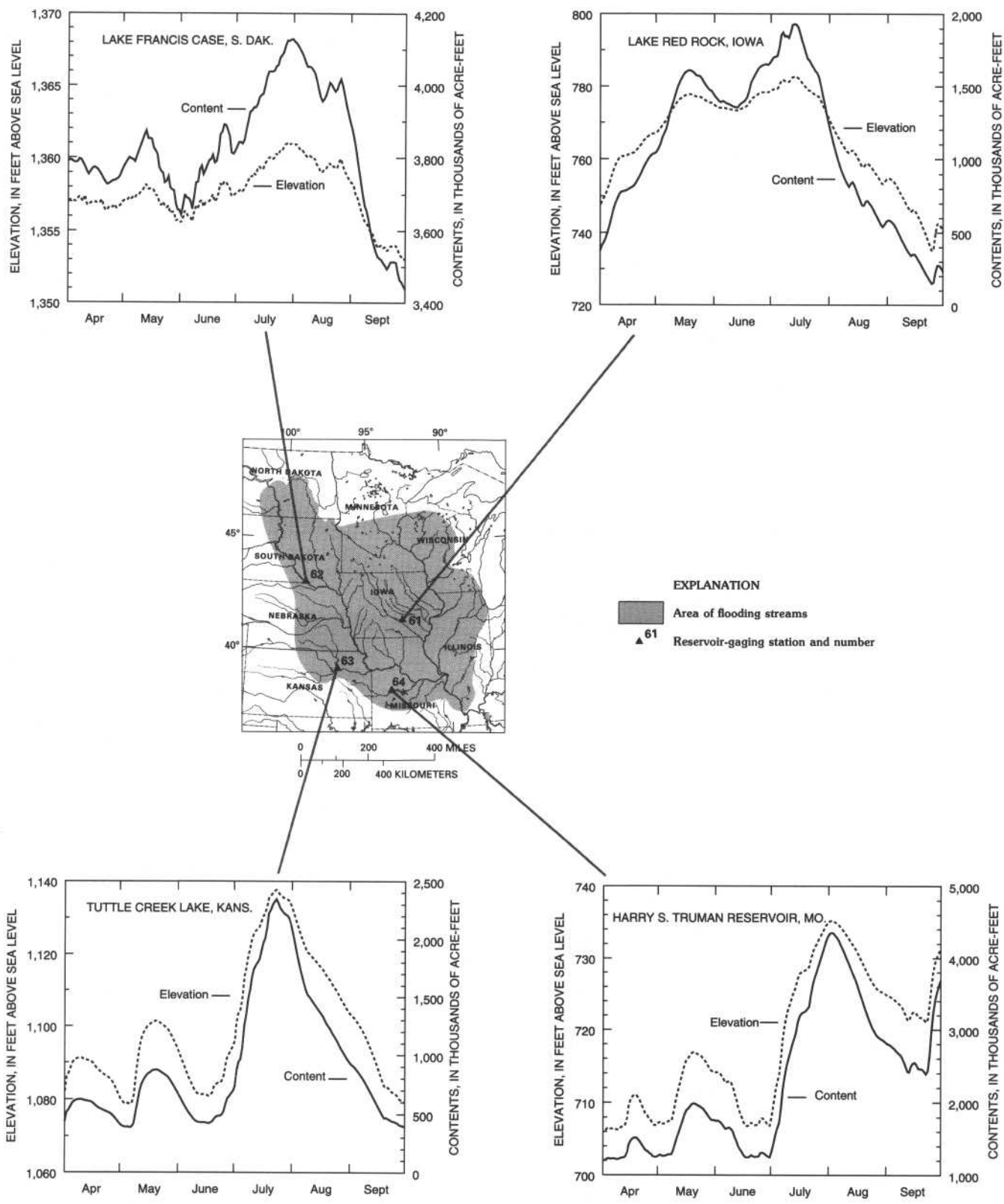


Figure 9. Elevation and contents at selected reservoirs in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993.

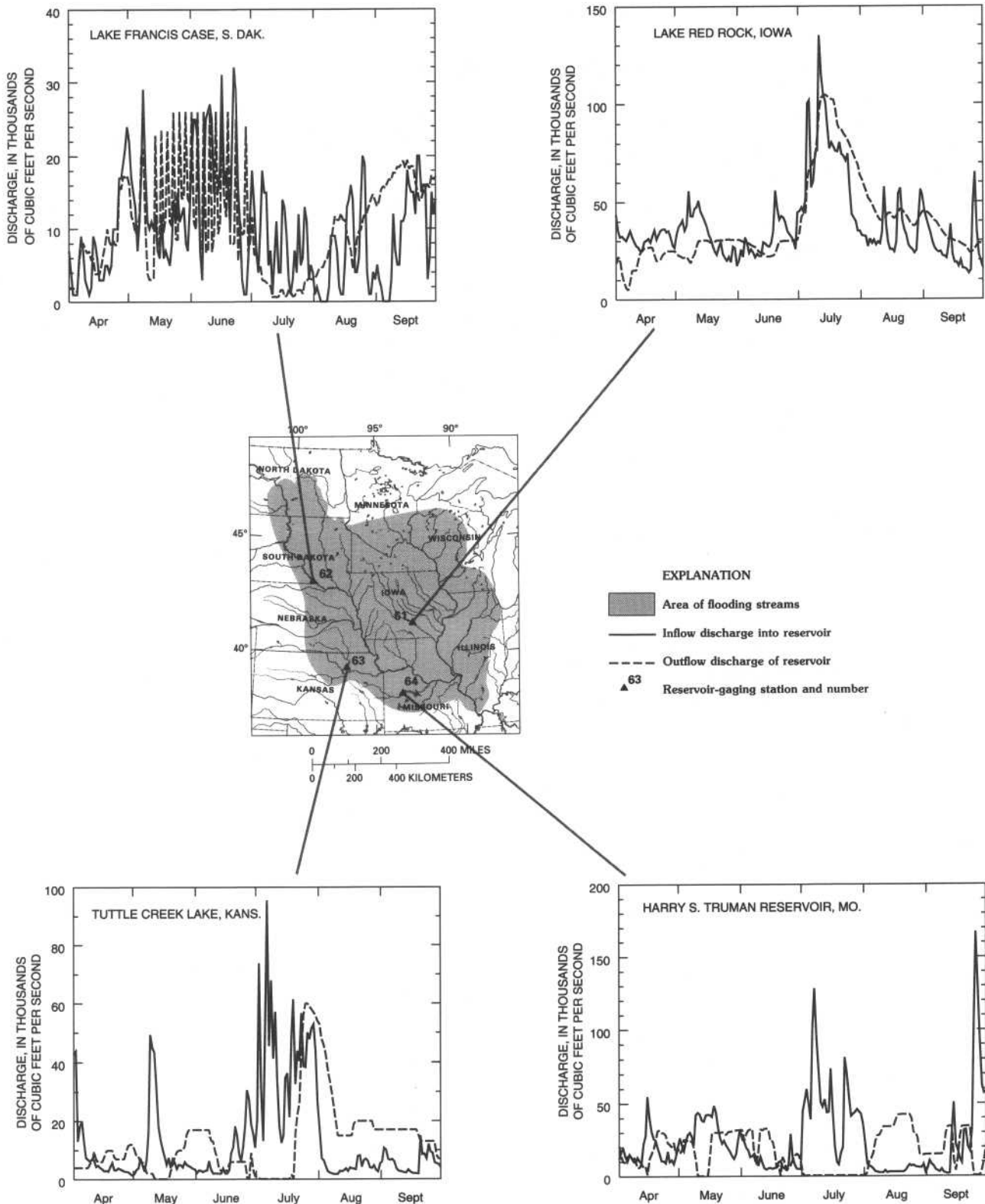


Figure 10. Inflow and outflow discharge at selected reservoirs in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993.

the 1993 flood volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations with the mean runoff for the period of record of each station. Comparisons also may be made by determining the highest mean discharges or accumulated flows for periods of n consecutive days (n -day values) and by comparing these values to previous maximums or determining recurrence intervals for the 1993 n -day values from station records. For the 60 stations included in this report, 53 recorded flow volumes that were greater than twice the mean for the April to September period. In fact, 9 of the 60 stations had flow volumes that were four times the mean annual flow. At 47 of the 60 stations, the magnitude of the 1993 flood volumes was significantly greater than the previously recorded maximums for 120-day volumes. Frequency analysis of the historic or period of record flows also indicated that the 100-year flood volume for the 120-day period was exceeded at 43 of the 60 stations in 1993. At the Iowa River streamflow-gaging station at Wapello, Iowa, the 1993 flood volume was 1.8 times the 100-year flood volume.

The storage of large volumes of water in reservoirs significantly decreased the peak flow and flood damages downstream from the dams. Lake Red Rock near Pella, Iowa, stored 1,784,000 acre-feet to minimize flooding downstream from April through September 1993. The storage of millions of additional acre-feet of water in reservoirs on the main stem of the Missouri River and in the Kansas River Basin eased the flooding on the Missouri and the Mississippi Rivers.

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Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993[mi², square mile; acre-ft, acre-feet; --, data unavailable]

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
		Year	Runoff (acre-ft)									
1	05311000	Minnesota River at Montevideo, Minn.	6,180	4/6–13, 15–22 6/24–8/19	73	1,830,000	1910–17 1930–92	71	401,000	1986	1,761,000	543,000
2	05317000	Cottonwood River near New Ulm, Minn.	1,280	4/1–3 5/9–14 6/18–28 7/4–12	29	1,113,000	1912–13 1936–37 1939–92	58	148,000	1986	588,000	233,000
3	05320000	Blue Earth River near Rapidan, Minn.	2,430	6/19–22	4	2,720,000	1940–45 1950–92	49	486,000	1991	1,315,000	682,000
4	05325000	Minnesota River at Mankato, Minn.	14,900	4/1–12, 14–25 5/11–18 6/18–7/22 8/17–22	73	9,320,000	1905 1911–17 1930–92	71	1,606,000	1986	4,940,000	2,221,000
5	05330000	Minnesota River near Jordan, Minn.	16,200	4/1–5/30 6/3–9/9	159	10,672,000	1935–92	58	2,075,000	1986	5,766,000	2,779,000
6	05331000	Mississippi River at St. Paul, Minn.	36,800	6/23–7/19	27	17,569,000	1895, 1897 1901–92	94	5,520,000	1986	15,470,000	7,977,000
7	05360500	Flambeau River near Bruce, Wis.	1,860	--	--	931,000	1952–92	41	790,000	1968	1,226,000	1,314,000
8	05369500	Chippewa River at Durand, Wis.	9,010	6/20–25	6	4,596,000	1929–92	64	3,236,000	1943	5,633,000	5,537,000

Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
										Year		Runoff (acre-ft)
9	05382000	Black River near Galesville, Wis.	2,080	4/1–3 6/11, 12, 19–25	12	1,950,000	1932–92	66	771,000	1938	51,468,000	1,268,000
10	05398000	Wisconsin River at Rothschild, Wis.	4,020	--	--	2,309,000	1945–92	48	1,451,000	1968	2,282,000	2,560,000
11	05407000	Wisconsin River at Muscoda, Wis.	10,400	6/24–28	5	6,742,000	1914–92	79	3,571,000	1973	5,832,000	6,285,000
12	05418500	Maquoketa River near Maquoketa, Iowa.	1,553	7/5–14 7/18–20	13	1,439,000	1914–92	79	394,000	1947	921,000	742,000
13	05420500	Mississippi River at Clinton, Iowa.	85,600	4/6–5/18 6/19–7/31	86	50,350,000	1874–92	119	22,200,000	1888	39,482,000	34,770,000
14	05422000	Wapsipinicon River near Dewitt, Iowa.	2,330	4/1–5/18 6/8–8/5 8/9–9/9 9/14–15, 25–29	146	3,010,000	1935–92	58	651,000	1947	1,410,000	1,129,000
15	05429500	Yahara River near McFarland, Wis.	1,564	--	--	171,000	1930–92	63	54,900	1933	108,200	112,000
16	05451500	Iowa River at Marshalltown, Iowa.	1,564	4/1–5/21 6/2–9/16 9/20–21, 25–27	163	2,076,000	1957–92	79	372,000	1983	952,000	602,000
17	05453100	Iowa River at Marengo, Iowa.	2,794	4/1–5/20 6/9–9/12 9/14–18, 25–30	157	4,205,000	1957–92	36	817,000	1983	1,773,000	1,333,000
18	05465000	Cedar River near Conesville, Iowa.	7,785	4/1–5/19 6/8–9/8 9/26–27	144	11,082,000	1940–92	53	2,140,000	1969	4,553,000	3,487,000

Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
Year	Runoff (acre-ft)											
19	05465500	Iowa River at Wapello, Iowa.	12,499	4/1–5/21 6/8–9/22 9/25–30	164	17,707,000	1915–92	78	3,150,000	1969	7,160,000	6,257,000
20	05471500	South Skunk River near Oskaloosa, Iowa.	1,635	4/1–10, 19–23 5/2–16 6/4–5, 9–11 6/14–27 6/30–8/8 8/10–9/10 9/13–16, 25–30	131	2,289,000	1946–92	47	444,000	1990	1,034,000	708,000
21	05474000	Skunk River at Augusta, Iowa.	4,303	4/21–24 5/4–8 6/8–11, 2–27 7/1–2, 6–30 8/11–25, 9/6	60	5,570,000	1915–92	78	1,050,000	1973	2,903,000	1,782,000
22	05474500	Mississippi River at Keokuk, Iowa.	119,000	4/5–5/20 6/10–15 6/20–8/5 8/12–9/6	125	87,903,000	1879–92	114	29,000,000	1986	47,289,000	46,740,000
23	05474500	Des Moines River at Humboldt, Iowa.	2,256	4/1–5/29 5/31–8/7 8/16–21 8/31–9/4	139	2,567,000	1965–92	28	471,000	1984	1,324,000	671,000
24	05481300	Des Moines River near Stratford, Iowa.	5,452	4/1–5/24 6/2–8/4 8/15–26 8/29–9/5	138	6,381,000	1921–92	72	1,010,000	1984	3,359,000	1,470,000

Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
										Year		Runoff (acre-ft)
25	05482500	North Raccoon River near Jefferson, Iowa.	1,619	4/1–11, 20–27 5/7–16 6/9, 14–23, 26 6/30–7/6 7/8–28 8/17–22 8/30–9/2	79	1,485,000	1941–92	52	368,000	1984	1,073,000	550,000
26	05484000	South Raccoon River at Redfield, Iowa.	994	7/8–14 8/12, 29–31	11	875,000	1941–92	52	220,000	1973	598,000	342,000
27	05484500	Raccoon River at Van Meter, Iowa.	3,441	5/10–16 6/19–21 7/1, 4–6, 8–23 7/25 8/11–12 8/18–19 8/29–9/1	39	3,172,000	1916–92	77	691,000	1973	2,056,000	1,054,000
28	05485500	Des Moines River below the Raccoon River at Des Moines, Iowa.	9,879	4/1–5/25 6/14–9/11 9/25–26	147	11,324,000	1978–92	15	3,000,000	1984	6,494,000	4,392,000
29	05490500	Des Moines River at Keosauqua, Iowa.	14,038	7/5–8/3	30	15,463,000	1970–92	23	3,750,000	1973	7,607,000	5,730,000
30	05570000	Spoon River at Seville, Ill.	1,636	4/16–19 7/24–31	12		1914–92	79	421,000	1978	1,152,000	761,000
31	05586100	Illinois River at Valley City, Ill.	26,742	4/1–5/22 6/20–9/30	155	19,900,000	1939–92	54	8,760,000	1954	15,581,000	16,000,000

Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
Year	Runoff (acre-ft)											
32	06468170	James River near Grace City, N. Dak.	1,060	7/27–30	4	84,900	1969–92	24	14,800	1969	51,000	19,500
33	06478500	James River near Scotland, S. Dak.	20,653	5/9–18 6/23–8/27	76	1,302,000	1929–92	64	239,000	1962	1,405,000	300,000
34	06481000	Big Sioux River near Dell Rapids, S. Dak.	4,483	4/1–4 5/13 6/21–7/14 7/18	30	1,086,000	1949–92	44	171,000	1986	915,000	232,000
35	06483500	Rock River near Rock Valley, Iowa.	1,592	4/1–3, 9 5/8–12 5/30–6/5 6/7–10, 17–27 6/30–7/21 7/25–29 8/15–17, 30–31	63	1,567,000	1949–92	44	179,000	1984	897,000	273,000
36	06606600	Little Sioux River at Correctionville, Iowa.	2,500	4/1–3 6/9–10, 14–25 7/2–7, 13–23	34	2,554,000	1919–92	74	392,000	1983	1,535,000	584,000
37	06800500	Elkhorn River at Waterloo, Nebr.	6,900	--	--	1,863,000	1929–92	64	537,000	1984	2,031,000	903,000
38	06803500	Salt Creek at Lincoln, Nebr.	684	7/24–25	2	378,000	1950–92	43	105,000	1984	356,000	164,000
39	06805500	Platte River at Louisville, Nebr.	85,800	7/23–26	4	6,654,000	1954–92	39	2,512,000	1984	7,704,000	4,731,000

Table 1. Summary of flow volumes at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin, April 1 through September 30, 1993—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
		Year	Runoff (acre-ft)									
40	06807000	Missouri River at Nebraska City, Nebr.	410,000	7/9–31	23	23,474,000	1967–92	26	15,600,000	1984	28,908,000	27,850,000
41	06808500	West Nishnabotna River at Randolph, Iowa.	1,326	7/1, 9–11 7/13–14 7/22–25 8/30–31	12	1,075,000	1949–92	44	268,000	1973	693,000	430,000
42	06810000	Nishnabotna River above Hamburg, Iowa.	2,806	4/1–2 5/8–19, 23–25 6/6–8, 14–16 6/18–22 6/24–8/21 8/29–9/10 9/22–29	108	2,794,000	1923–92	70	517,000	1947	1,517,000	822,000
43	06815000	Big Nemaha River at Falls City, Nebr.	1,340	4/1 5/8–9, 11 6/30 7/1–2, 5–10 7/18, 22–25	19	1,565,000	1945–92	48	286,000	1951	1,281,000	430,000
44	06817000	Nodaway River at Clarinda, Iowa.	762	6/30–7/1 7/8–11, 13–14 7/20–26 8/29–31 9/22, 25–26	21	869,000	1921–92	72	165,000	1982	440,000	259,000
45	06818000	Missouri River at St. Joseph, Mo.	420,300	4/1–5 5/9–18 6/15, 19–21 6/25–8/7 8/31–9/3 9/23, 24	38	34,474,000	1921–92	64	19,916,000	1984	17,445,000	29,770,000

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
		Year	Runoff (acre-ft)									
46	06820500	Platte River near Agency, Mo.	1,760	4/1–4 5/8–12 6/7, 8, 15–16 7/2–17, 22–29 9/22–27	43	2,011,000	1933–92	60	425,000	1982	618,000	672,000
47	06853020	Republican River at Guide Rock, Nebr.	22,090	7/18–28	11	277,000	1951–92	42	142,000	1951	940,000	215,000
48	06879100	Kansas River at Fort Riley, Kans.	44,870	7/18–30	13	7,174,000	1964–92	29	977,000	1987	3,103,000	1,764,000
49	06891000	Kansas River at LeCompton, Kans.	58,460	7/18–8/7	21	16,538,000	1937–92	56	3,383,000	1951	17,527,000	5,028,000
50	06893000	Missouri River at Kansas City, Mo.	485,200	5/10–13 7/3 7/6–8/6	37	54,674,000	1898–92	95	24,076,000	1951	26,193,000	36,235,000
51	06897500	Grand River near Gallatin, Mo.	2,250	4/1–2, 8–10 5/7–13 6/6–9, 14–15 7/1–17, 21–28 9/22–27	49	1,502,000	1922–92	71	524,000	1947	899,000	844,000
52	06898000	Thompson River at Davis City, Iowa.	701	7/1, 5–8 7/10–11, 22 7/24–26, 8/21	12	790,000	1921–92	58	171,000	1947	470,000	278,000
53	06899500	Thompson River at Trenton, Mo.	1,670	7/5–8, 11–12 7/23–25	9	1,933,000	1922–23 1929–92	66	429,000	1947	713,000	710,000

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	Drainage area (mi ²)	April–September 1993			Period of record					
				Date(s)	Number of days	Runoff (acre-ft)	Years	Number of years	April–September		Annual runoff (acre-ft)	
									Mean runoff (acre-ft)	Previous maximum		
Year	Runoff (acre-ft)											
54	06902000	Grand River near Sumner, Mo.	6,880	4/1–3, 8–11 4/13–18, 20–21 5/3–14 6/6–11, 14–16 7/1–8/3 9/14–16, 20–30	84	9,589,000	1924–92	69	1,683,000	1947	2,979,000	2,836,000
55	06904500	Chariton River at Novinger, Mo.	1,370	7/8–13 7/22–25	10	1,468,000	1931–52 1955–92	60	355,000	1973	529,000	611,000
56	06905500	Chariton River near Prairie Hill, Mo.	1,870	7/1–2, 7–15 7/23–28 8/13 9/15, 23, 26	22	2,077,000	1929–92	64	511,000	1973	846,000	867,000
57	06909000	Missouri River at Booneville, Mo.	501,700	4/1–7, 14–18 5/4–5, 8–18 6/6–11 7/1–8/19 8/23, 24 9/3–5, 14–17 9/20–30	101	74,060,000	1926–92	67	28,530,000	1951	31,358,000	43,554,000
58	06934500	Missouri River at Hermann, Mo.	524,200	4/2–8, 14–23 5/5–21 6/6–12, 25–26 7/1–8/25 9/14–30	116	90,700,000	1897–92	96	35,706,000	1951	40,656,000	55,587,000
59	07010000	Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo.	697,000	4/5, 7–8 4/11–5/24 6/26–9/30	144	216,807,000	1862–92	131	79,173,000	1951	74,411,000	131,692,000
60	07022000	Mississippi River at Thebes, Ill.	713,200	4/1–5/27 6/2–9/30	152	220,307,000	1933–92	60	81,001,000	1951	77,296,000	143,348,000

Table 2. Magnitude and frequency of the highest daily mean discharges from 3, 7, and 30 consecutive days at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin

[ft³/s, cubic feet per second; recurrence interval, rounded to nearest 5 years for 20- to 50-year recurrence intervals and to nearest 10 years for 55- to 100-year recurrence intervals; >, greater than]

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	3-day values			7-day values			30-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
1	05311000	Minnesota River at Montevideo, Minn.	10,900	10	33,000	10,200	10	27,900	8,520	15	14,000
2	05317000	Cottonwood River near New Ulm, Minn.	19,700	60	24,400	15,100	70	18,400	7,450	>100	7,110
3	05320000	Blue Earth River near Rapidan, Minn.	18,800	16	40,300	17,000	17	37,800	12,300	40	13,600
4	05325000	Minnesota River at Mankato, Minn.	72,100	35	92,200	67,300	30	86,100	46,800	60	45,000
5	05330000	Minnesota River near Jordan, Minn.	89,300	80	111,000	83,600	80	100,000	56,100	>100	48,700
6	05331000	Mississippi River at St. Paul, Minn.	103,000	30	169,000	98,800	25	162,000	85,000	50	101,000
7	05360500	Flambeau River near Bruce, Wis.	13,300	13	15,700	10,000	7	13,700	4,870	3	8,290
8	05369500	Chippewa River at Durand, Wis.	74,700	20	104,000	54,400	14	78,600	24,600	5	38,300
9	05382000	Black River near Galesville, Wis.	44,400	>100	51,000	29,800	80	34,800	12,000	80	12,200
10	05398000	Wisconsin River at Rothschild, Wis.	36,400	18	42,500	25,900	13	31,200	12,000	7	15,300
11	05407000	Wisconsin River at Muscoda, Wis.	57,800	16	75,300	50,000	16	64,500	30,500	15	38,100
12	05418500	Maquoketa River near Maquoketa, Iowa.	20,400	15	22,900	17,600	>100	14,800	9,200	>100	6,810
13	05420500	Mississippi River at Clinton, Iowa.	235,000	25	304,000	233,000	30	296,000	208,000	65	224,000

Table 2. Magnitude and frequency of the highest daily mean discharges from 3, 7, and 30 consecutive days at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	3-day values			7-day values			30-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
14	05422000	Wapsipinicon River near DeWitt, Iowa.	20,000	25	21,500	19,600	70	17,200	14,600	>100	11,000
15	05429500	Yahara River near McFarland, Wis.	670	30	842	648	25	825	588	45	719
16	05451500	Iowa River at Marshalltown, Iowa.	16,000	20	33,100	13,700	100	21,900	8,970	>100	8,280
17	05453100	Iowa River at Marengo, Iowa.	32,600	>100	23,000	28,300	>100	19,500	20,200	>100	11,600
18	05465500	Cedar River near Conesville, Iowa.	63,900	40	63,700	52,400	50	54,700	43,300	>100	34,100
19	05465500	Iowa River at Wapello, Iowa.	99,800	>100	80,700	93,600	>100	64,300	80,800	>100	49,000
20	05471500	South Skunk River near Oskaloosa, Iowa.	19,200	>100	16,400	17,100	>100	13,400	11,900	>100	9,300
21	05474000	Skunk River at Augusta, Iowa.	43,800	>100	57,300	36,900	>100	39,900	27,200	>100	21,000
22	05474500	Mississippi River at Keokuk, Iowa.	425,000	>100	341,000	419,000	>100	323,000	388,000	>100	266,000
23	05474500	Des Moines River at Humboldt, Iowa.	16,200	60	17,300	15,200	55	15,600	12,400	>100	8,620
24	054813000	Des Moines River near Stratford, Iowa.	38,200	25	51,700	35,900	40	43,600	28,400	>100	21,900
25	05482500	North Raccoon River near Jefferson, Iowa.	14,700	13	17,900	12,900	20	13,500	7,760	45	8,020
26	05484000	South Raccoon River at Redfield, Iowa.	23,400	>100	15,100	15,400	>100	10,000	5,740	>100	5,030

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	3-day values			7-day values			30-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
27	05484500	Raccoon River at Van Meter, Iowa.	47,800	>100	32,400	35,100	>100	28,600	17,700	>100	14,000
28	05485500	Des Moines River below Raccoon River at Des Moines, Iowa.	101,000	>100	55,400	87,800	>100	54,300	56,900	>100	37,300
29	05490500	Des Moines River at Keosauqua, Iowa.	107,000	>100	50,300	105,000	>100	40,700	89,600	>100	36,400
30	05570000	Spoon River at Seville, Ill.	27,600	60	27,600	21,400	90	19,500	9,230	90	8,740
31	05586100	Illinois River at Valley City, Ill.	86,900	5	122,000	84,800	5	121,000	73,000	6	98,800
32	06468170	James River near Grace City, N. Dak.	2,950	35	2,770	2,320	25	2,300	971	18	802
33	06478500	James River near Scotland, S. Dak.	15,900	45	25,600	13,100	30	19,800	8,780	30	9,330
34	06481000	Big Sioux River near Dell Rapids, S. Dak.	12,900	14	30,900	10,500	17	20,600	7,080	40	6,940
35	06483500	Rock River near Rock Valley, Iowa.	17,400	15	30,000	13,800	20	21,500	10,200	>100	6,510
36	06606600	Little Sioux River at Correctionville, Iowa.	18,900	25	25,600	17,000	25	21,300	12,400	>100	9,810
37	06800500	Elkhorn River at Waterloo, Nebr.	23,600	9	69,600	18,200	11	38,000	11,800	30	12,000
38	06803500	Salt Creek at Lincoln, Nebr.	17,300	60	11,600	10,200	80	6,230	3,500	40	3,100

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	3-day values			7-day values			30-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
39	06805500	Platte River at Louisville, Nebr.	111,000	50	102,000	81,200	35	82,700	43,600	40	42,000
40	06807000	Missouri River at Nebraska City, Nebr.	182,000	60	170,000	155,000	45	168,000	118,000	60	123,000
41	06808500	West Nishnabotna River at Randolph, Iowa.	12,700	10	16,500	9,060	40	9,490	6,640	>100	4,820
42	06810000	Nishnabotna River above Hamburg, Iowa.	35,000	>100	38,100	28,200	>100	24,700	18,000	>100	16,500
43	06815000	Big Nemaha River at Falls City, Nebr.	38,800	80	39,800	27,800	>100	19,700	16,300	>100	7,880
44	06817000	Nodaway River at Clarinda, Iowa.	16,200	>100	19,000	12,400	>100	10,700	6,960	>100	4,960
45	06818000	Missouri River at St. Joseph, Mo.	311,000	>100	193,000	273,000	>100	191,000	198,000	>100	159,000
46	06820500	Platte River near Agency, Mo.	48,500	>100	39,500	34,600	>100	30,700	21,900	>100	14,100
47	06853020	Republican River at Guide Rock, Nebr.	7,160	20	14,300	5,200	25	8,810	2,400	13	4,750
48	06879100	Kansas River at Fort Riley, Kans.	80,900	>100	49,500	72,600	>100	41,700	43,200	>100	26,600
50	06893000	Missouri River at Kansas City, Mo.	511,000	>100	285,000	448,000	>100	240,000	309,000	>100	193,000
51	06897500	Grand River near Gallatin, Mo.	79,000	>100	60,500	59,100	>100	42,400	35,000	>100	23,100
52	06898000	Thompson River at Davis City, Iowa.	21,000	50	35,800	13,800	70	20,600	7,540	>100	5,180

Table 2. Magnitude and frequency of the highest daily mean discharges from 3, 7, and 30 consecutive days at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	3-day values			7-day values			30-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
53	06899500	Thompson River at Trenton, Mo.	46,300	80	53,200	37,700	>100	30,800	19,400	>100	16,900
54	06902000	Grand River near Sumner, Mo.	157,000	>100	147,000	145,000	>100	98,200	89,900	>100	68,800
55	06904500	Chariton River at Novinger, Mo.	19,400	35	19,400	17,600	50	16,200	10,100	100	9,800
56	06905500	Chariton River near Prairie Hill, Mo.	29,200	100	27,800	27,000	>100	19,800	16,400	>100	15,000
57	06909000	Missouri River at Booneville, Mo.	696,000	>100	321,000	609,000	>100	299,000	415,000	>100	229,000
58	06934500	Missouri River at Hermann, Mo.	703,000	>100	498,000	622,000	>100	443,000	434,000	>100	341,000
59	07010000	Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo.	1,033,000	>100	843,000	1,001,000	>100	820,000	904,000	>100	698,000
60	07022000	Mississippi River at Thebes, Ill.	969,000	>100	868,000	948,000	>100	847,000	888,000	>100	743,000

Table 3. Magnitude and frequency of the highest daily mean discharges for 60, 90, and 120 consecutive days at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin[ft³/s, cubic feet per second; recurrence interval, rounded to nearest 5 years for 20- to 50-year recurrence intervals and to nearest 10 years for 55- to 100-year recurrence intervals; >, greater than]

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	60-day values			90-day values			120-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
1	05311000	Minnesota River at Montevideo, Minn.	7,910	25	9,790	6,430	30	7,610	5,730	50	6,240
2	05317000	Cottonwood River near New Ulm, Minn.	5,160	>100	4,030	4,430	>100	2,910	3,990	>100	2,450
3	05320000	Blue Earth River near Rapidan, Minn.	10,200	>100	8,540	9,160	>100	6,550	9,110	>100	5,390
4	05325000	Minnesota River at Mankato, Minn.	35,300	>100	30,000	30,600	>100	22,900	30,000	>100	19,900
5	05330000	Minnesota River near Jordan, Minn.	41,300	>100	32,600	35,800	>100	24,800	34,200	>100	21,500
6	05331000	Mississippi River at St. Paul, Minn.	65,400	45	72,600	58,300	60	60,100	55,900	90	51,700
7	05360500	Flambeau River near Bruce, Wis.	3,920	4	6,040	3,720	5	5,220	3,270	5	4,290
8	05369500	Chippewa River at Durand, Wis.	19,200	6	25,700	18,200	11	23,300	16,100	14	20,600
9	05382000	Black River near Galesville, Wis.	8,020	>100	7,360	8,170	>100	5,750	6,960	>100	4,700
10	05398000	Wisconsin River at Rothschild, Wis.	9,910	12	11,600	9,380	40	9,260	7,930	40	7,570
11	05407000	Wisconsin River at Muscodia, Wis.	25,000	40	30,700	25,400	>100	25,700	23,300	>100	21,100
12	05418500	Maquoketa River near Maquoketa, Iowa.	6,480	>100	4,810	5,300	>100	4,090	4,720	>100	3,770
13	05420500	Mississippi River at Clinton, Iowa.	173,000	80	191,000	161,000	>100	164,000	159,000	>100	142,000

Table 3. Magnitude and frequency of the highest daily mean discharges for 60, 90, and 120 consecutive days at selected streamflow-gaging stations in the upper Mississippi River Basin—Continued

Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	60-day values			90-day values			120-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
14	05422000	Wapsipinicon River near DeWitt, Iowa.	11,700	>100	7,460	10,400	>100	6,660	8,900	>100	6,030
15	05429500	Yahara River near McFarland, Wis.	526	80	501	474	>100	459	483	>100	401
16	05451500	Iowa River at Marshalltown, Iowa.	8,050	>100	5,820	7,540	>100	5,130	6,480	>100	4,400
17	05453100	Iowa River at Marengo, Iowa.	17,900	>100	9,900	15,600	>100	8,800	13,200	>100	7,670
18	05465500	Cedar River near Conesville, Iowa.	38,700	>100	23,200	36,100	>100	20,300	32,400	>100	17,800
19	05465500	Iowa River at Wapello, Iowa.	71,100	>100	33,800	61,900	>100	31,000	54,000	>100	27,900
20	05471500	South Skunk River near Oskaloosa, Iowa.	9,920	>100	6,380	8,720	>100	4,970	7,500	>100	4,190
21	05474000	Skunk River at Augusta, Iowa.	23,000	>100	16,100	20,000	>100	14,200	17,500	>100	12,100
22	05474500	Mississippi River at Keokuk, Iowa.	313,000	>100	240,000	280,000	>100	223,000	269,000	>100	200,000
23	05474500	Des Moines River at Humboldt, Iowa.	10,400	>100	5,810	9,090	>100	6,100	8,800	>100	5,400
24	054813000	Des Moines River near Stratford, Iowa.	24,600	>100	17,000	21,000	>100	16,000	21,200	>100	14,000
25	05482500	North Raccoon River near Jefferson, Iowa.	5,630	50	5,960	5,030	60	5,460	5,010	>100	4,680
26	05484000	South Raccoon River at Redfield, Iowa.	4,180	>100	3,010	3,470	>100	2,390	3,020	>100	2,300

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	60-day values			90-day values			120-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
27	05484500	Raccoon River at Van Meter, Iowa.	12,600	>100	10,700	11,100	>100	9,840	10,200	>100	8,340
28	05485500	Des Moines River below the Raccoon River at Des Moines, Iowa.	43,300	60	30,300	37,500	35	29,000	35,100	40	26,100
29	05490500	Des Moines River at Keosauqua, Iowa.	67,700	>100	31,000	57,200	>100	27,600	50,400	>100	26,300
30	05570000	Spoon River at Seville, Ill.	6,460	>100	5,780	5,420	>100	4,940	4,600	>100	4,460
31	05586100	Illinois River at Valley City, Ill.	66,300	8	90,700	58,300	8	77,300	57,300	14	65,900
32	06468170	James River near Grace City, N. Dak.	565	17	416	394	16	282	299	15	213
33	06478500	James River near Scotland, S. Dak.	6,630	35	7,740	5,300	30	6,420	4,500	30	5,430
34	06481000	Big Sioux River near Dell Rapids, S. Dak.	4,690	40	4,770	3,900	45	3,920	3,760	60	3,270
35	06483500	Rock River near Rock Valley, Iowa.	8,070	>100	4,600	6,550	>100	4,600	5,620	>100	4,030
36	06606600	Little Sioux River at Correctionville, Iowa.	11,000	>100	8,090	9,020	>100	6,830	8,630	>100	6,480
37	06800500	Elkhorn River at Waterloo, Nebr.	8,130	35	9,960	6,680	25	10,200	6,200	30	8,690
38	06803500	Salt Creek at Lincoln, Nebr.	2,170	45	2,000	1,610	40	1,720	1,360	40	1,470

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	60-day values			90-day values			120-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recurrence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
39	06805500	Platte River at Louisville, Nebr.	28,800	30	39,100	23,600	20	37,000	21,600	25	32,600
40	06807000	Missouri River at Nebraska City, Nebr.	92,800	45	101,000	80,800	20	100,000	73,400	16	92,700
41	06808500	West Nishnabotna River at Randolph, Iowa.	4,760	>100	3,500	4,020	>100	3,010	3,650	>100	2,710
42	06810000	Nishnabotna River above Hamburg, Iowa.	12,800	>100	9,860	11,000	>100	7,350	9,670	>100	6,050
43	06815000	Big Nemaha River at Falls City, Nebr.	8,950	>100	6,330	7,260	>100	5,380	6,080	>100	4,440
44	06817000	Nodaway River at Clarinda, Iowa.	4,140	>100	2,700	3,480	>100	2,140	2,990	>100	2,060
45	06818000	Missouri River at St. Joseph, Mo.	145,000	>100	126,000	123,000	90	124,000	109,000	80	115,000
46	06820500	Platte River near Agency, Mo.	12,700	>100	7,470	9,660	>100	6,070	8,080	>100	5,760
47	06853020	Republican River at Guide Rock, Nebr.	1,610	9	4,140	1,360	9	3,540	1,050	8	3,540
48	06879100	Kansas River at Fort Riley, Kans.	33,400	>100	21,800	27,800	>100	17,900	23,700	>100	15,100
49	06891000	Kansas River at LeCompton, Kans.	75,100	>100	101,000	62,100	>100	76,000	53,300	>100	65,200
50	06893000	Missouri River at Kansas City, Mo.	224,000	>100	157,000	187,000	>100	157,000	170,000	>100	149,000
51	06897500	Grand River near Gallatin, Mo.	19,800	>100	12,300	14,600	>100	9,730	12,200	>100	7,680

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Site number (fig. 4)	Station number	Station name	60-day values			90-day values			120-day values		
			1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)	1993 (ft ³ /s)	Recur- rence interval for 1993 (years)	Previous maximum for period of record (ft ³ /s)
52	06898000	Thompson River at Davis City, Iowa.	4,340	>100	2,800	3,290	>100	2,530	2,760	>100	2,110
53	06899500	Thompson River at Trenton, Mo.	11,100	>100	8,970	8,580	>100	7,630	7,210	>100	6,200
54	06902000	Grand River near Sumner, Mo.	52,600	>100	38,800	39,500	>100	31,800	33,500	>100	25,900
55	06904500	Chariton River at Novinger, Mo.	6,470	50	5,820	5,380	60	5,250	4,660	>100	4,440
56	06905500	Chariton River near Prairie Hill, Mo.	9,940	80	9,390	8,330	80	8,110	6,820	80	6,900
57	06909000	Missouri River at Booneville, Mo.	305,000	>100	203,000	256,000	>100	182,000	227,000	>100	176,000
58	06934500	Missouri River at Hermann, Mo.	349,000	>100	309,000	312,000	>100	268,000	279,000	>100	237,000
59	07010000	Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo.	766,000	>100	671,000	687,000	>100	615,000	630,000	>100	548,000
60	07022000	Mississippi River at Thebes, Ill.	776,000	>100	717,000	697,000	>100	664,000	639,000	>100	595,000