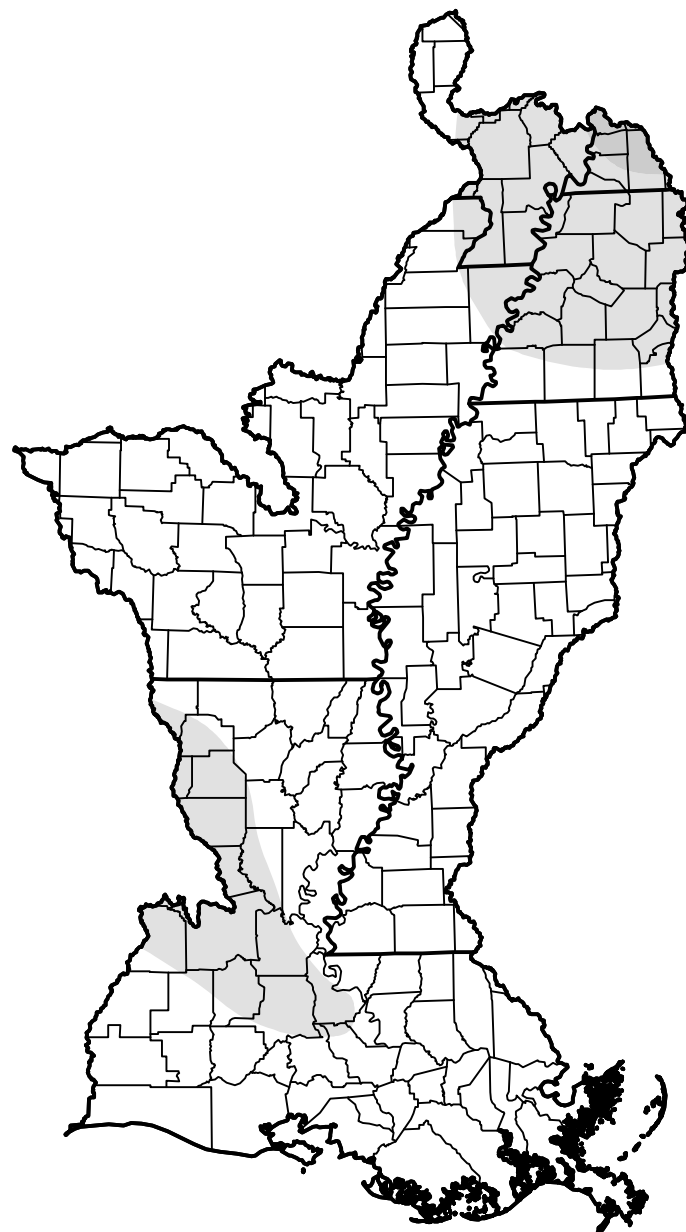


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	80.33	19.67	0.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-15-2002</i>	71.03	28.97	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-23-2002</i>	58.91	41.09	26.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2001</i>	79.41	20.59	8.66	3.62	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-23-2001</i>	65.30	34.70	8.04	2.08	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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