

# U.S. Drought Monitor

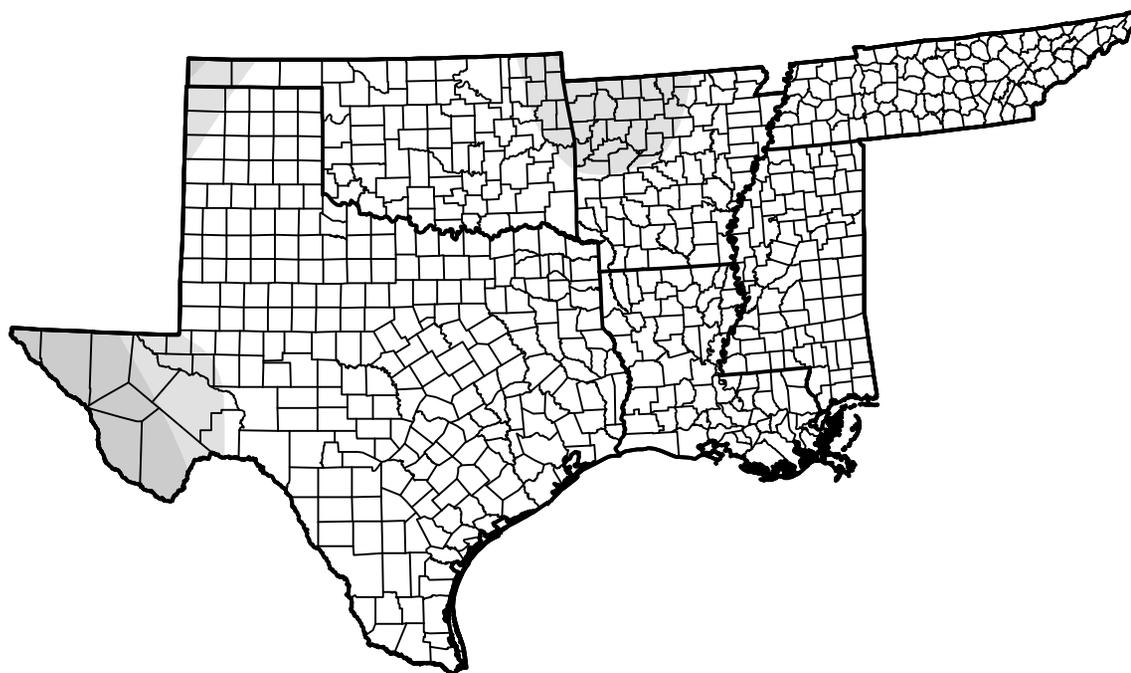
## South

**December 24, 2002**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	88.51	7.45	4.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	88.46	7.38	4.15	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-24-2002</i>	68.89	18.75	7.71	4.32	0.32	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	65.47	8.50	14.35	6.05	5.64	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	51.12	34.27	11.20	3.41	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-25-2001</i>	65.61	7.26	15.36	6.22	5.54	0.00



***Intensity:***



*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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