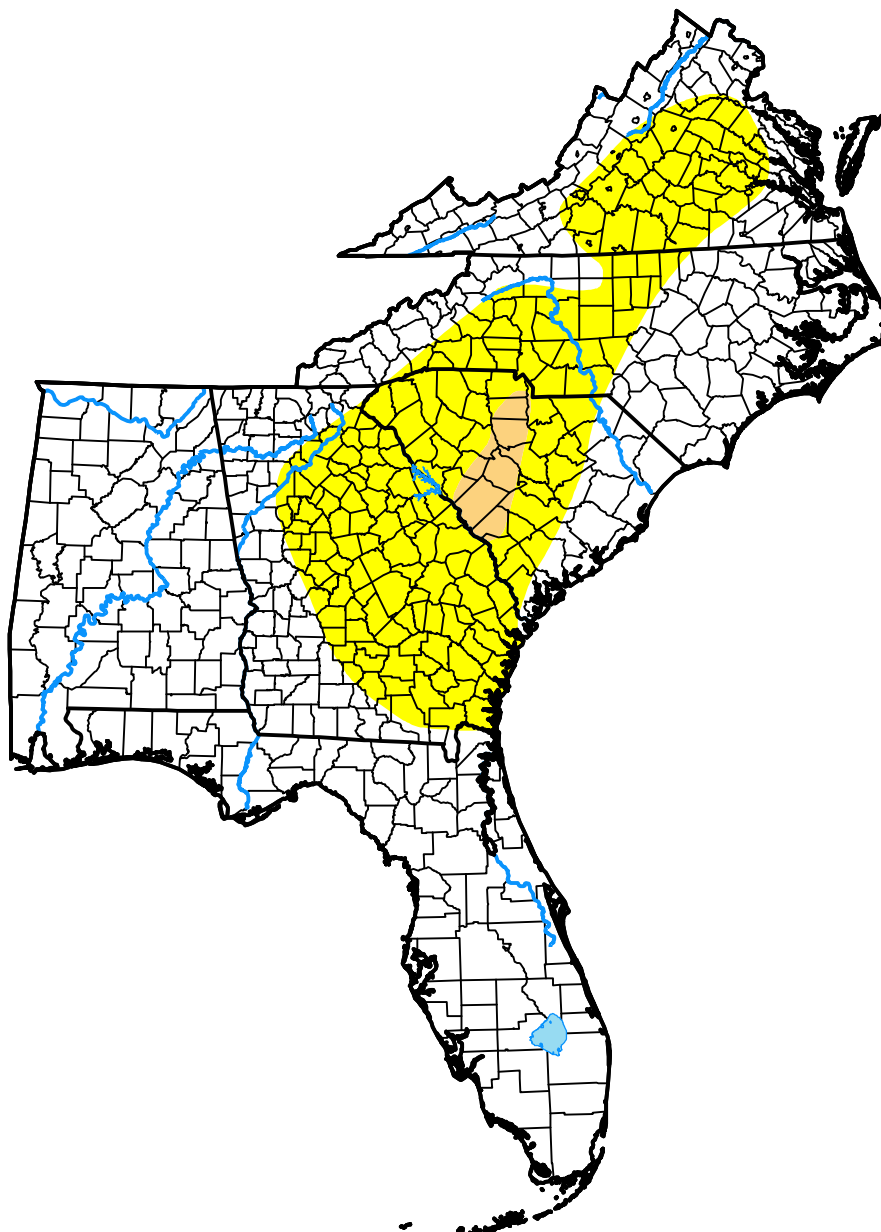


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	69.34	29.06	1.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-17-2002</i>	69.23	28.92	1.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-24-2002</i>	30.64	13.43	15.01	24.68	13.56	2.67
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	20.24	16.47	18.33	32.55	12.41	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	40.19	10.69	11.44	24.45	10.16	3.07
One Year Ago <i>12-25-2001</i>	20.12	23.80	15.69	34.34	6.04	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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