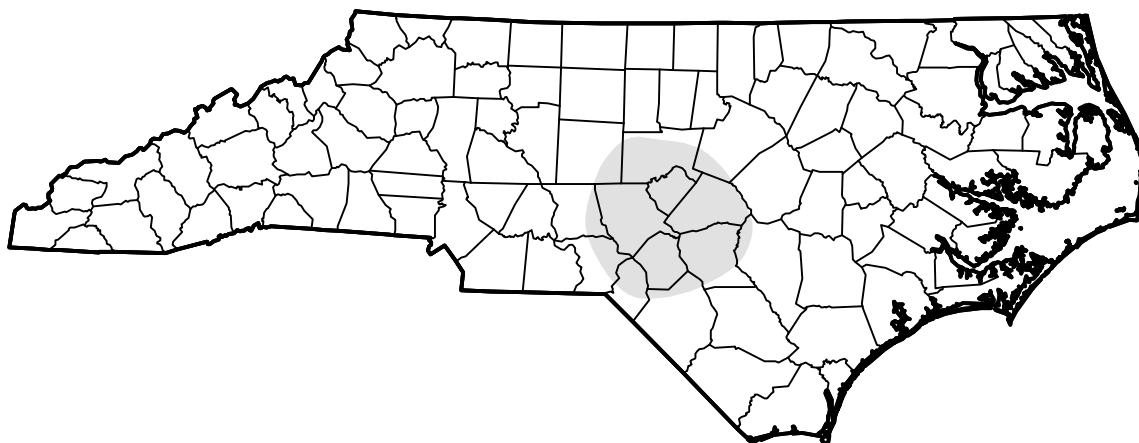


# U.S. Drought Monitor North Carolina

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 91.84 | 8.16  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-20-2003</i>              | 81.44 | 18.56 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-26-2002</i>           | 70.05 | 29.95 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2003</i> | 80.43 | 19.57 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2002</i>    | 9.47  | 11.48 | 13.85 | 28.07 | 23.22 | 13.92 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-28-2002</i>           | 0.00  | 0.42  | 13.25 | 64.17 | 22.16 | 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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