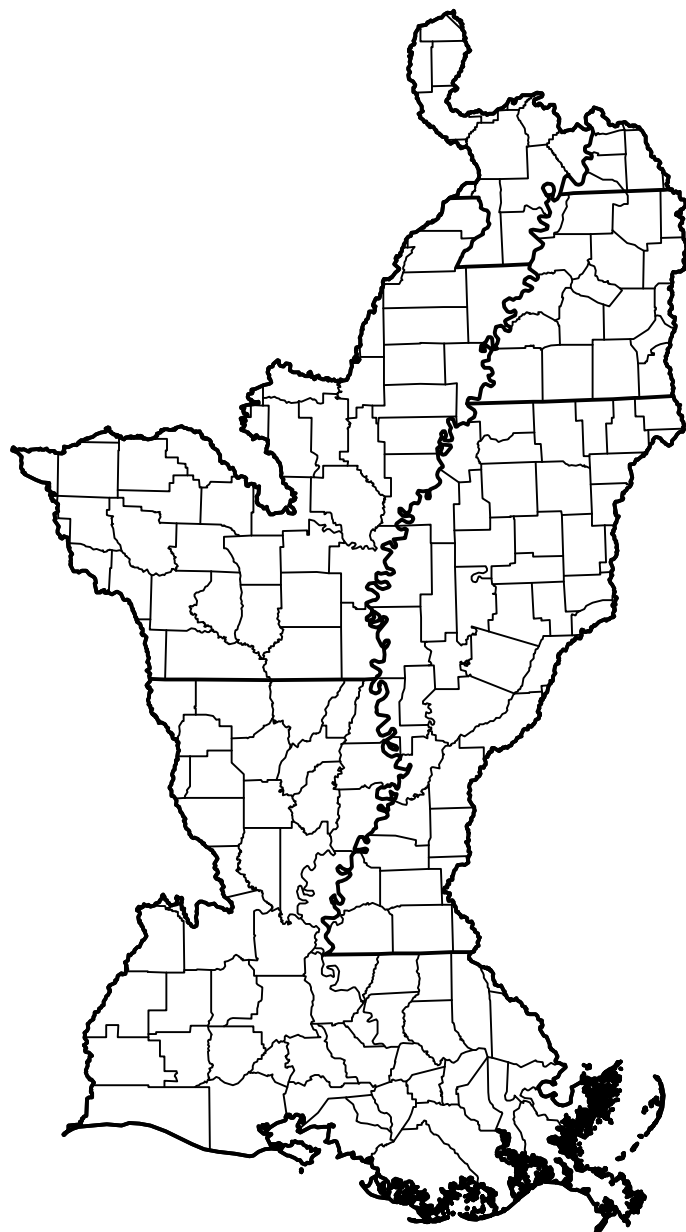


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed



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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None   | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-13-2004</i>              | 88.24  | 11.76 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-19-2004</i>           | 96.79  | 3.21  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2003</i> | 97.76  | 2.24  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2003</i>    | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-22-2003</i>           | 66.19  | 33.81 | 23.26 | 0.00  | 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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