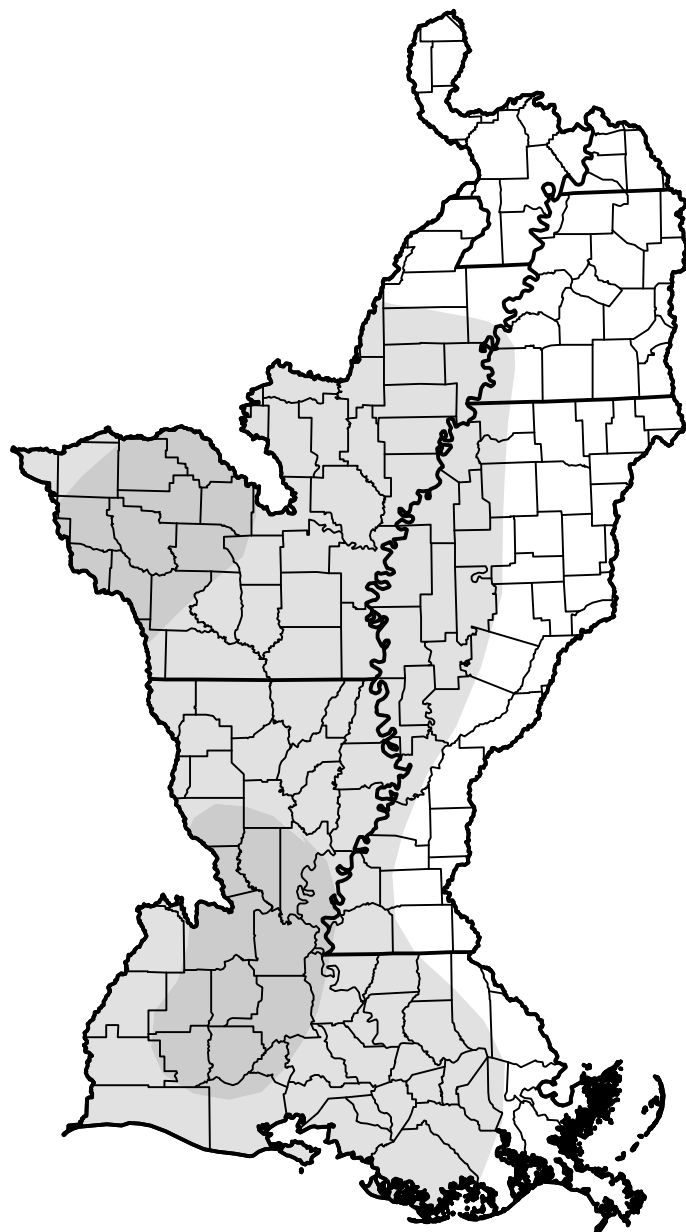


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	33.32	50.77	15.91	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-12-2005</i>	36.52	63.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-17-2005</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	53.43	46.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-20-2004</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	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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