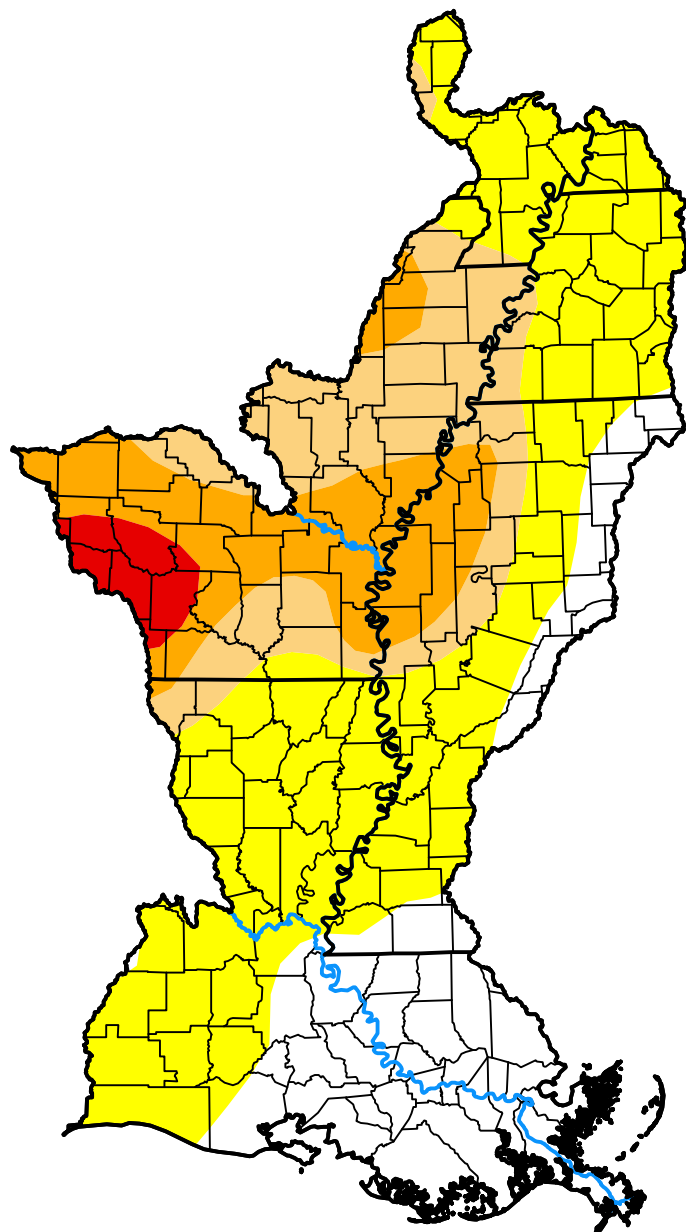


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.06	77.94	33.98	16.99	2.64	0.00
Last Week <i>08-11-2005</i>	32.02	67.98	29.74	12.70	1.53	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-19-2005</i>	33.32	66.68	15.91	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>08-19-2004</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

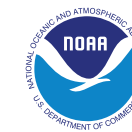
Intensity:

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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