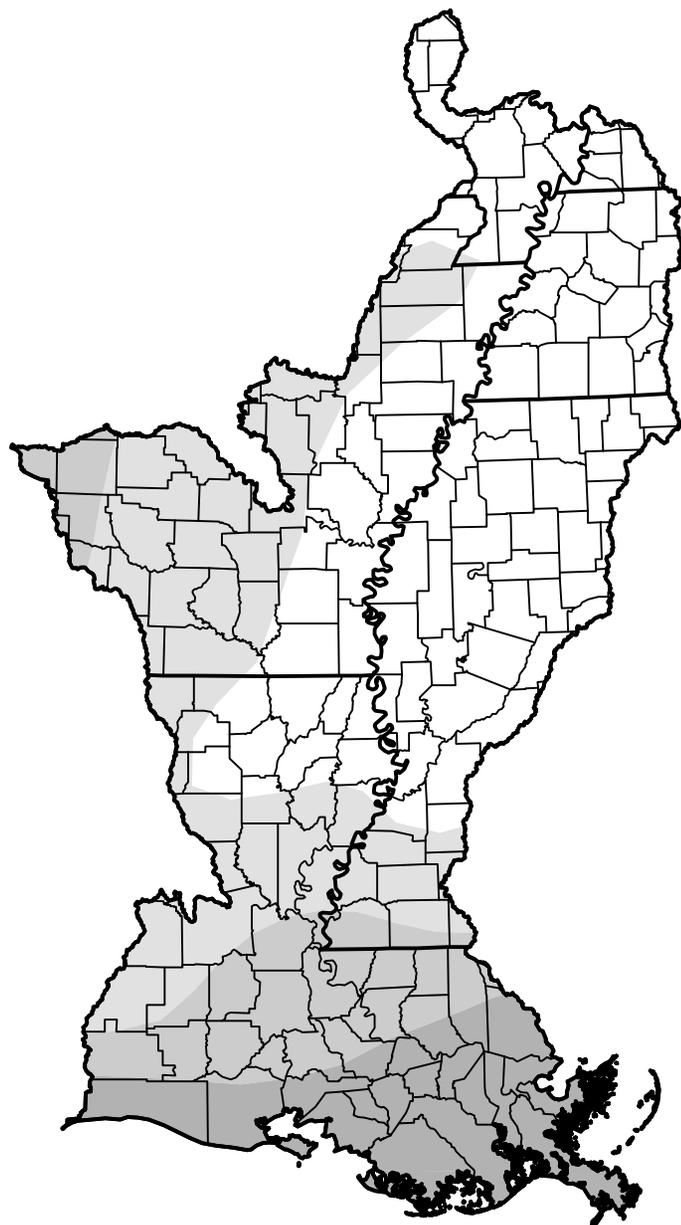


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**May 16, 2006**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	49.56	25.37	12.41	12.66	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-11-2006</i>	41.76	35.32	15.93	7.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-16-2006</i>	66.91	19.78	4.90	4.80	3.22	0.39
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	31.92	29.33	20.60	14.50	2.79	0.87
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	97.20	2.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-19-2005</i>	33.32	50.77	15.91	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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