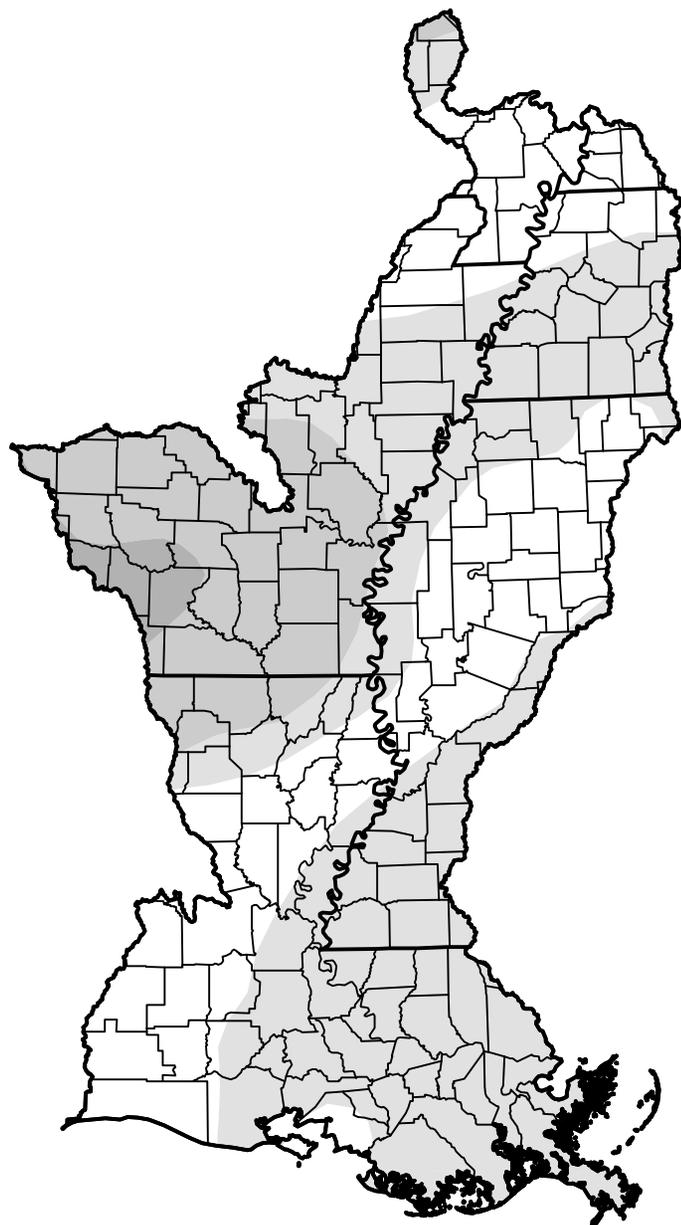


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	34.77	65.23	18.87	2.06	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-12-2006</i>	14.28	85.72	32.79	1.48	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-20-2006</i>	10.69	89.31	76.34	32.65	7.55	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	31.92	68.08	38.75	18.15	3.65	0.87
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	21.32	78.68	16.22	1.42	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-20-2005</i>	85.19	14.81	0.21	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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