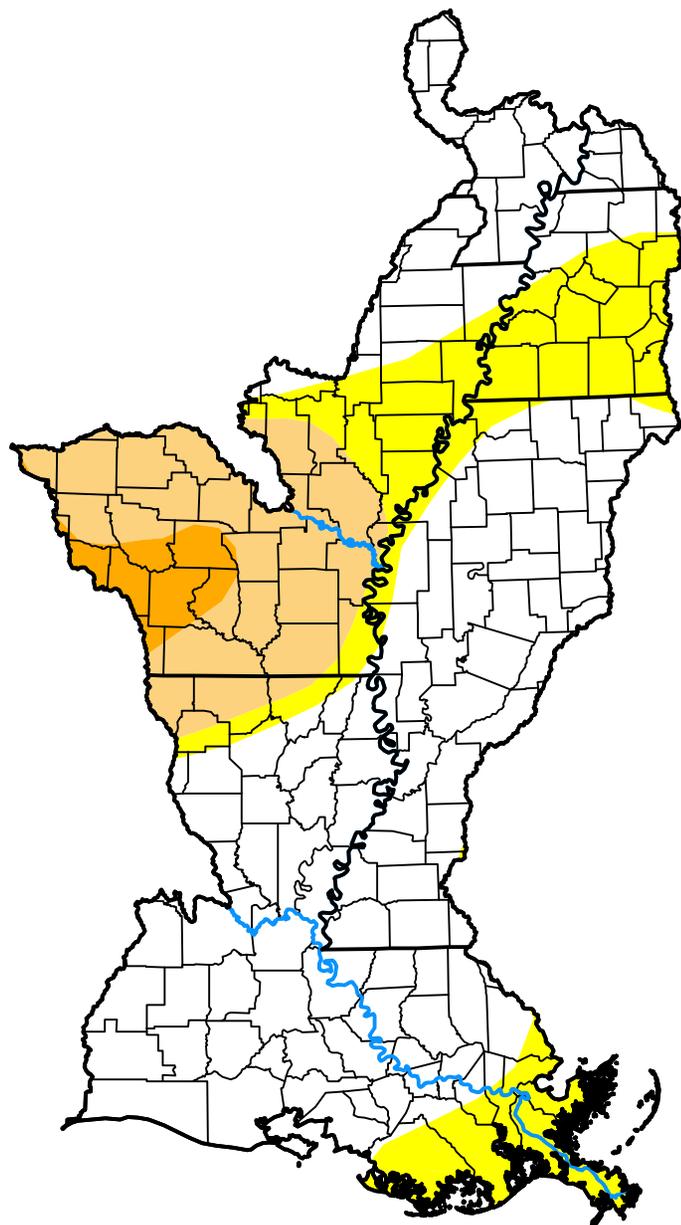


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**October 24, 2006**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	62.63	19.44	14.87	3.06	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-19-2006</i>	34.77	46.36	16.81	2.06	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-27-2006</i>	10.73	10.97	43.79	26.96	7.55	0.00
<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>09-28-2006</i>	21.32	62.46	14.80	1.42	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-26-2005</i>	64.46	31.44	4.10	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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