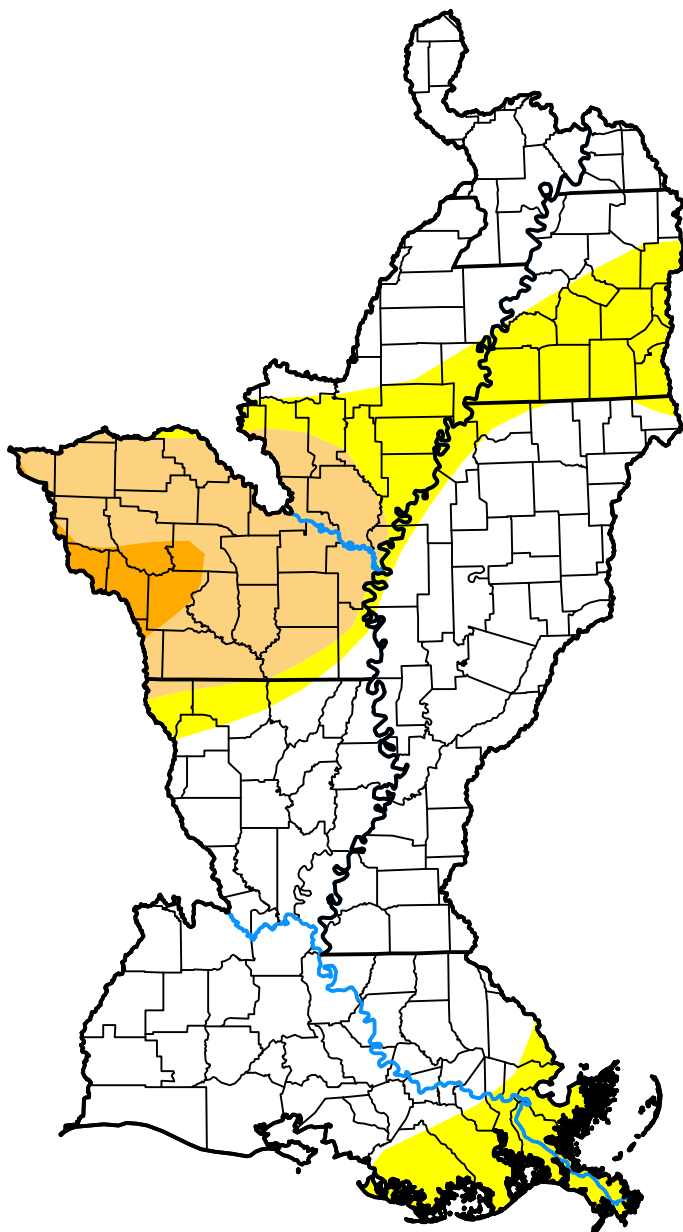


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	65.93	34.07	15.97	2.06	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-26-2006</i>	62.63	37.37	17.93	3.06	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-03-2006</i>	11.02	88.98	76.66	30.58	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>11-03-2005</i>	17.49	82.51	14.22	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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