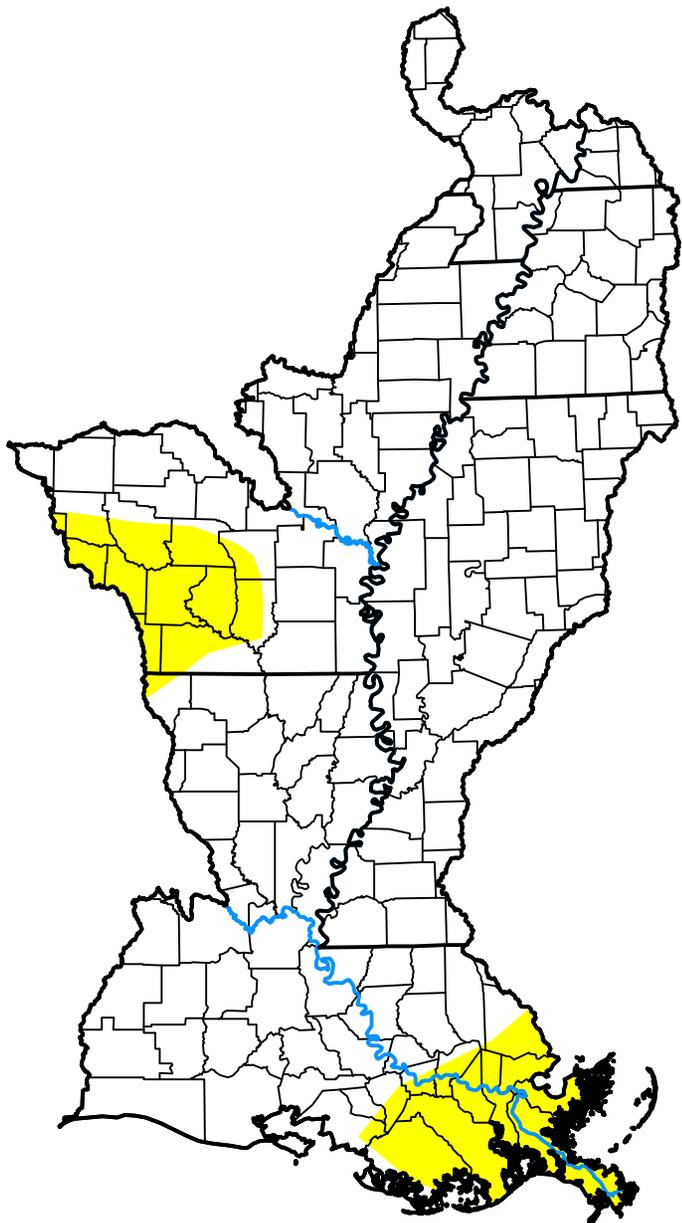


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**December 12, 2006**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	88.45	11.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-07-2006</i>	81.77	18.23	0.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-14-2006</i>	8.29	91.71	50.74	26.86	4.11	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	31.92	68.08	38.75	18.15	3.65	0.87
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2006</i>	21.32	78.68	16.22	1.42	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-15-2005</i>	12.73	87.27	51.01	8.29	0.93	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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