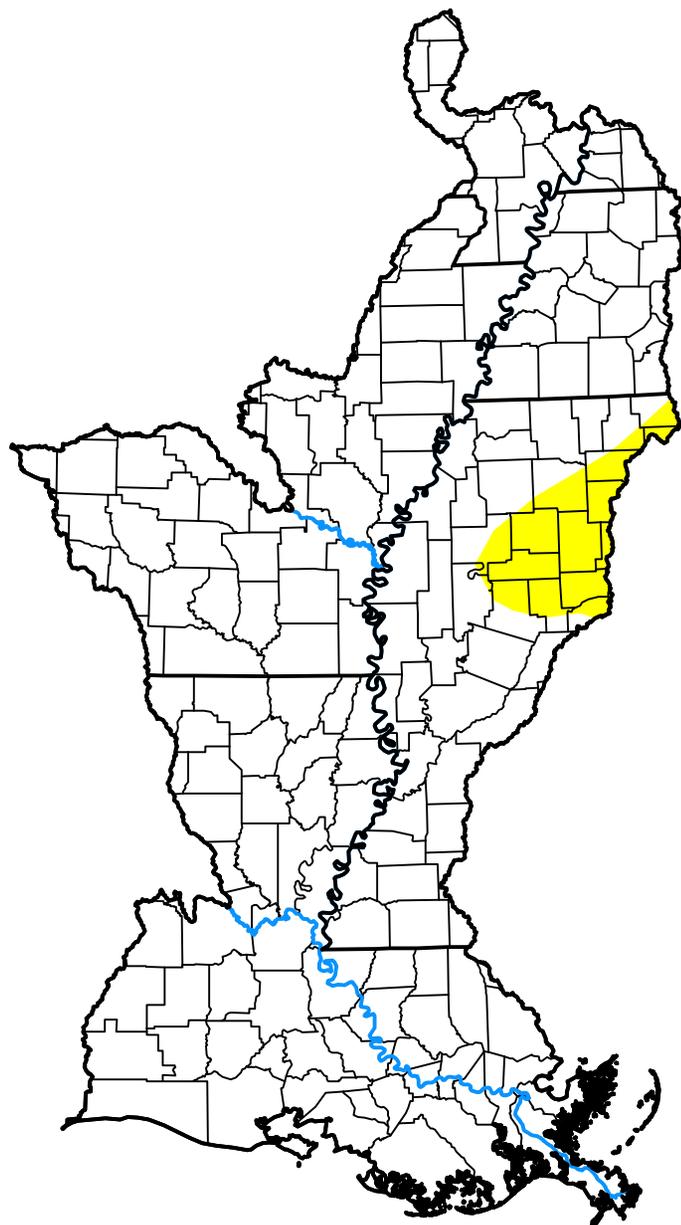


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**March 18, 2008**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 95.63 | 4.37  | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-13-2008</i>              | 94.00 | 6.00  | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-20-2007</i>           | 77.28 | 22.72 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2008</i> | 77.28 | 22.72 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2007</i>    | 49.23 | 50.77 | 29.84 | 20.17 | 8.44  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-22-2007</i>           | 53.70 | 46.30 | 1.79  | 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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