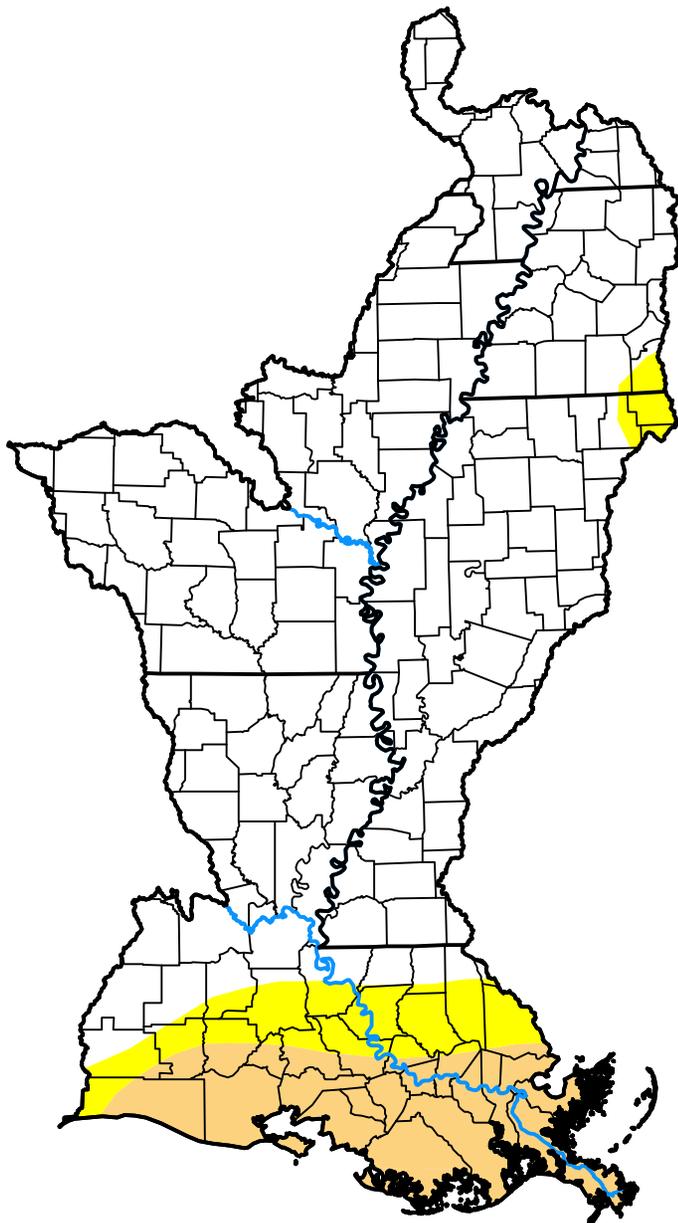


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**February 17, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	80.45	7.52	12.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-12-2009</i>	75.10	7.19	17.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-20-2008</i>	87.16	12.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2009</i>	86.64	13.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2008</i>	92.77	3.65	3.47	0.11	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-21-2008</i>	67.90	32.10	0.01	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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