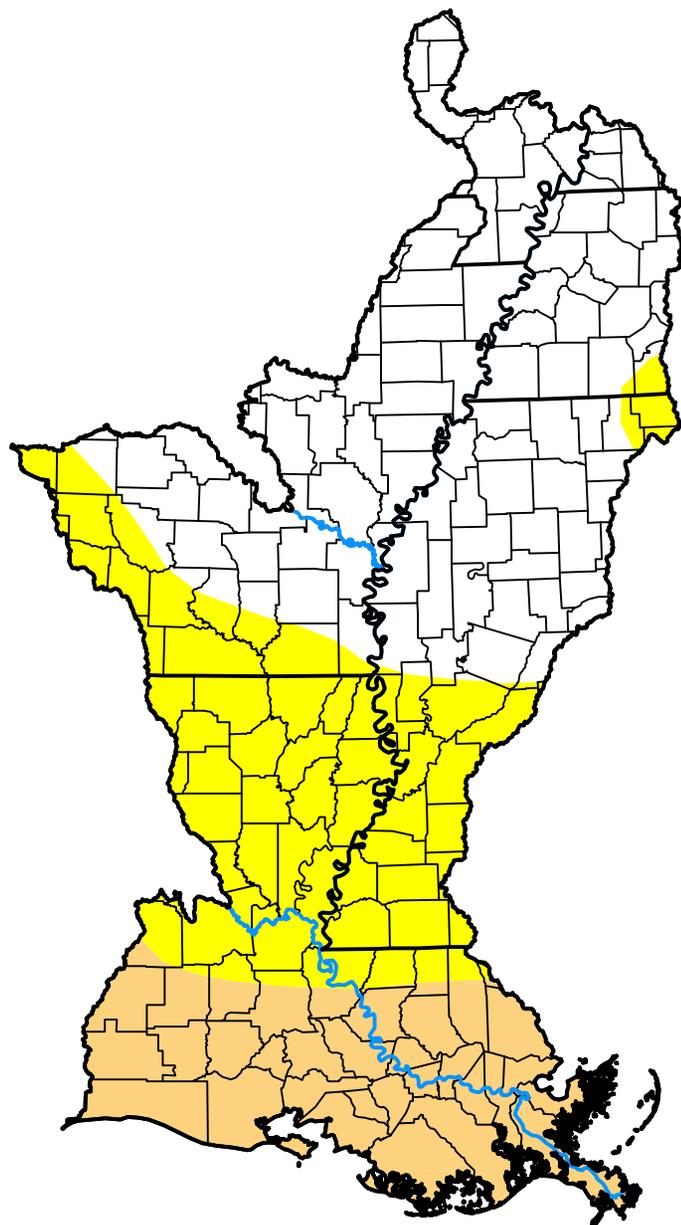


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**March 10, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 48.17 | 51.83 | 20.93 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-05-2009</i>              | 58.12 | 41.88 | 18.88 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-11-2008</i>           | 72.61 | 27.39 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 86.64 | 13.36 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2008</i>    | 92.77 | 7.23  | 3.58  | 0.11  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-13-2008</i>           | 94.00 | 6.00  | 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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