

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed



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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None   | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-17-2009</i>              | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-24-2009</i>           | 80.02  | 19.98 | 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>10-01-2009</i>    | 86.79  | 13.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-24-2008</i>           | 78.20  | 21.80 | 0.00 | 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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