

# U.S. Drought Monitor

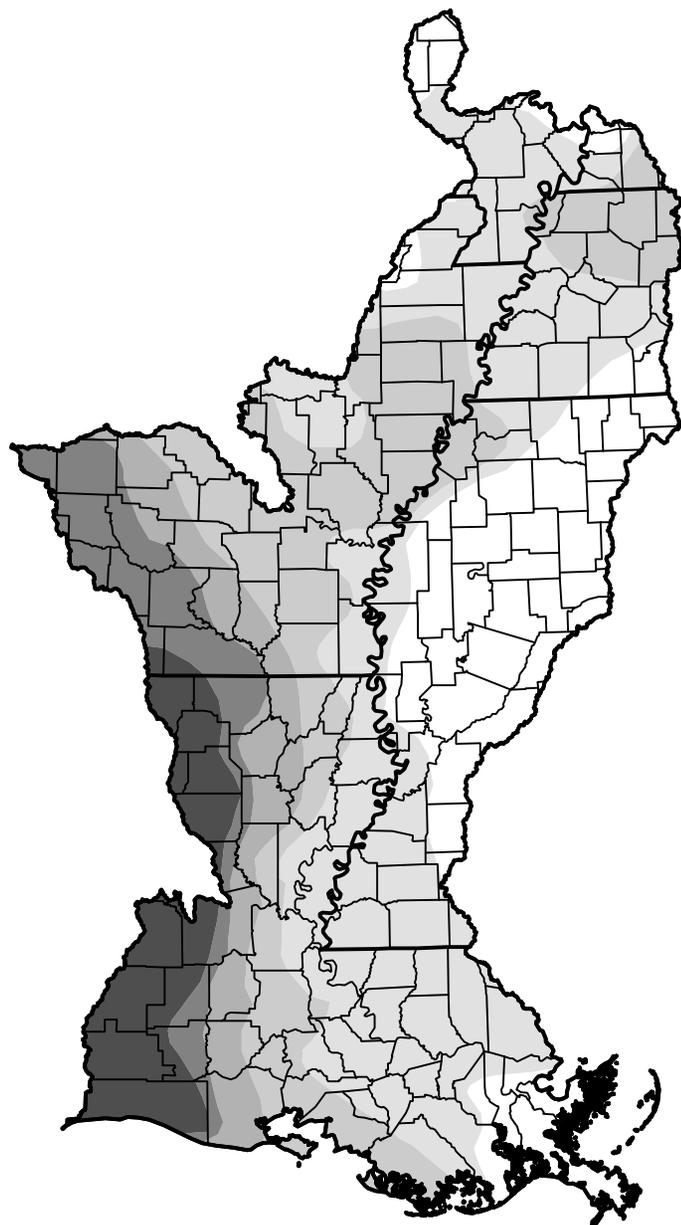
## Lower Mississippi Watershed

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	20.80	79.20	45.25	22.78	15.37	7.88
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-13-2011</i>	21.18	78.82	45.20	17.26	12.58	3.24
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-21-2011</i>	25.69	74.31	59.21	46.39	31.73	15.52
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-06-2011</i>	4.46	95.54	77.90	50.45	15.38	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2011</i>	41.41	58.59	32.20	16.78	9.37	0.89
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-21-2010</i>	2.78	97.22	87.46	70.63	18.89	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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