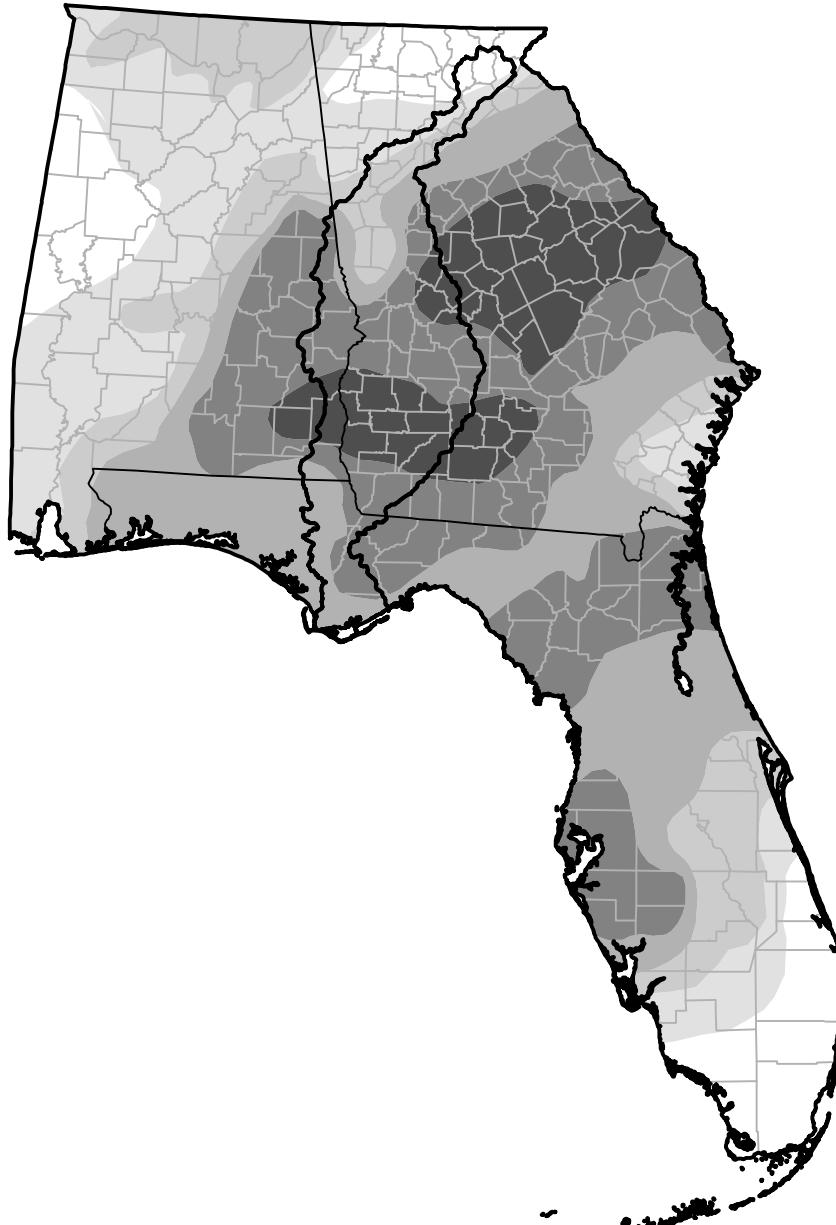


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	11.50	88.50	71.09	57.28	36.42	10.37
Last Week 05-24-2012	10.87	89.13	73.53	58.55	45.39	15.06
3 Months Ago 03-01-2012	21.47	78.53	70.26	50.30	36.03	11.72
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2012	19.42	80.58	54.73	41.56	27.89	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-29-2011	32.82	67.18	54.02	44.87	34.87	0.00
One Year Ago 06-02-2011	16.75	83.25	67.90	54.99	33.92	0.78

Intensity:

	None		D2 Severe Drought
	D0 Abnormally Dry		D3 Extreme Drought
	D1 Moderate Drought		D4 Exceptional Drought

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