

# U.S. Drought Monitor

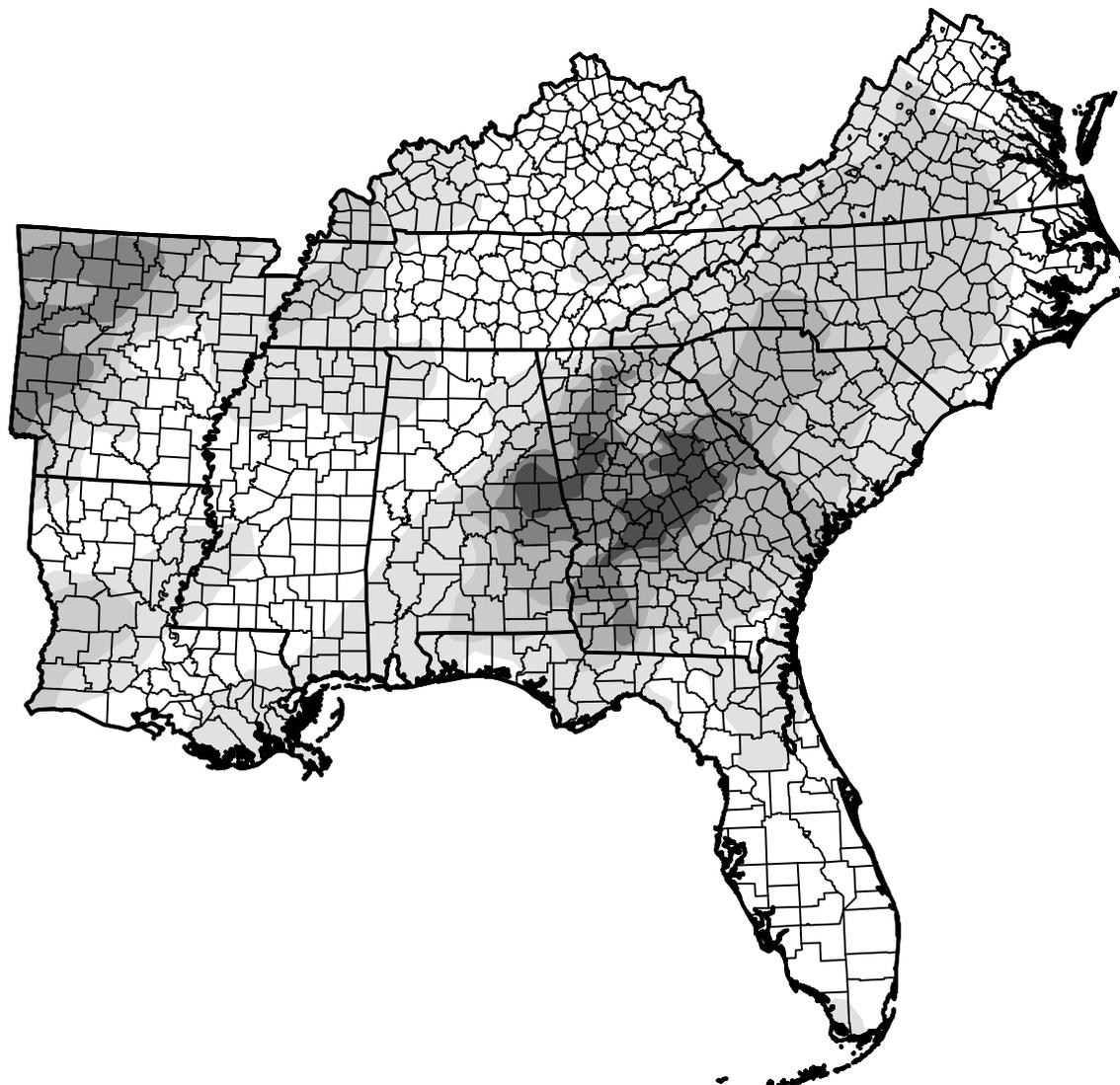
## USDA Southeast Climate Hub

**December 18, 2012**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	37.56	62.44	35.48	16.93	7.99	1.90
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-11-2012</i>	35.86	64.14	36.05	16.85	7.95	1.90
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-18-2012</i>	57.58	42.42	25.41	16.91	9.59	2.73
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	51.42	48.58	34.56	21.38	12.82	0.37
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	59.82	40.18	25.35	16.91	9.62	2.85
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-20-2011</i>	51.76	48.24	34.30	23.29	14.10	0.68



***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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