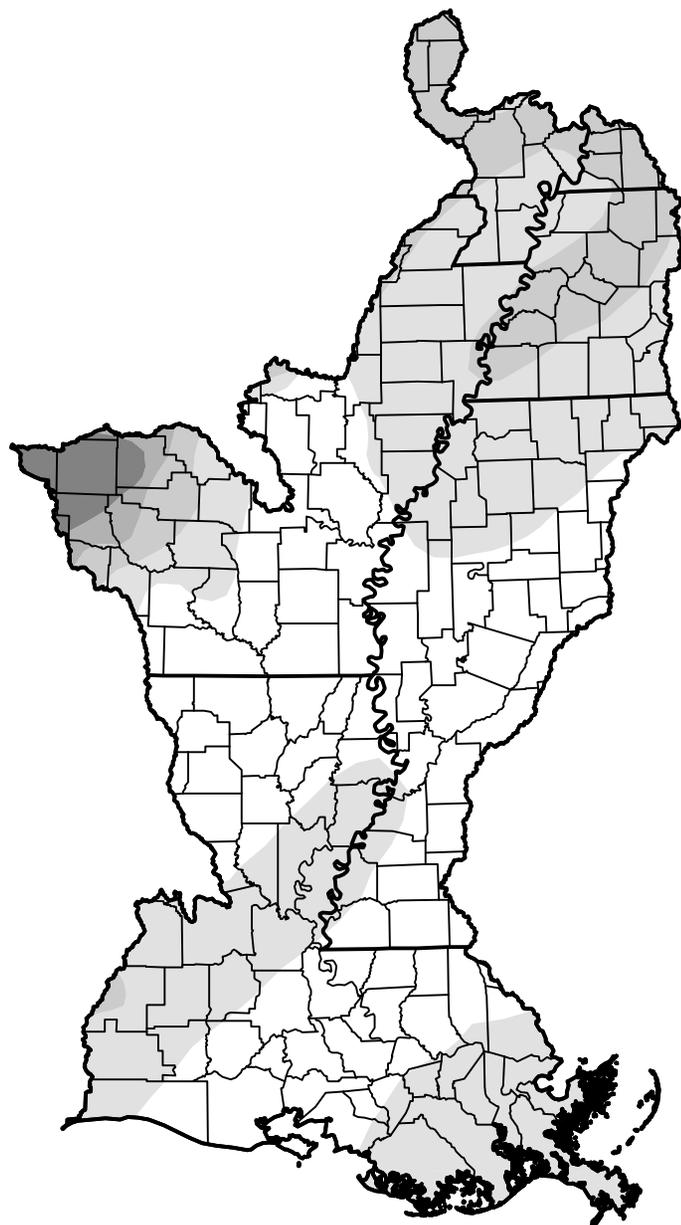


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**January 1, 2013**  
 (Released Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	45.58	54.42	13.64	2.96	1.88	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-27-2012</i>	39.57	60.43	17.85	2.96	1.88	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>10-04-2012</i>	46.35	53.65	44.13	27.48	8.36	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2013</i>	45.58	54.42	13.64	2.96	1.88	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2012</i>	46.35	53.65	44.13	27.82	9.63	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>01-05-2012</i>	61.50	38.50	29.55	18.54	9.11	1.54

***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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