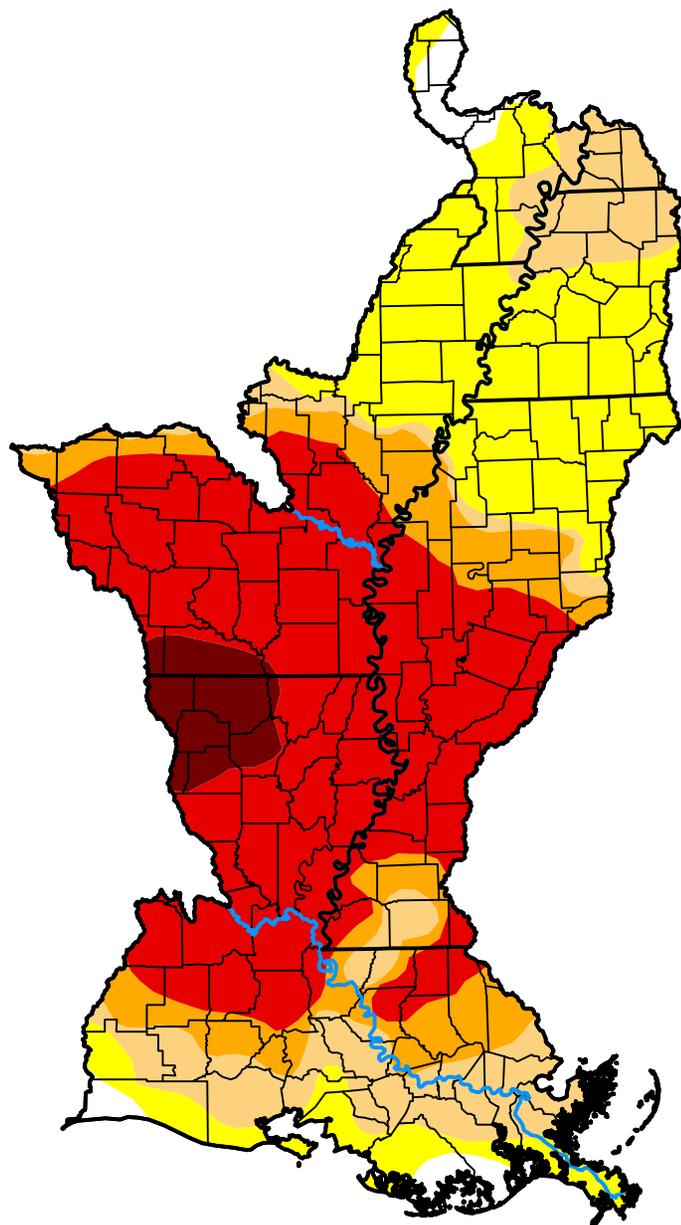


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**October 20, 2015**  
 (Released Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	2.64	25.52	15.86	12.52	39.55	3.91
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-15-2015</i>	17.32	11.87	14.95	26.59	25.49	3.78
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-23-2015</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2014</i>	49.76	41.87	8.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2015</i>	23.06	20.83	25.62	24.69	5.80	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-23-2014</i>	92.53	5.35	2.11	0.00	0.00	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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