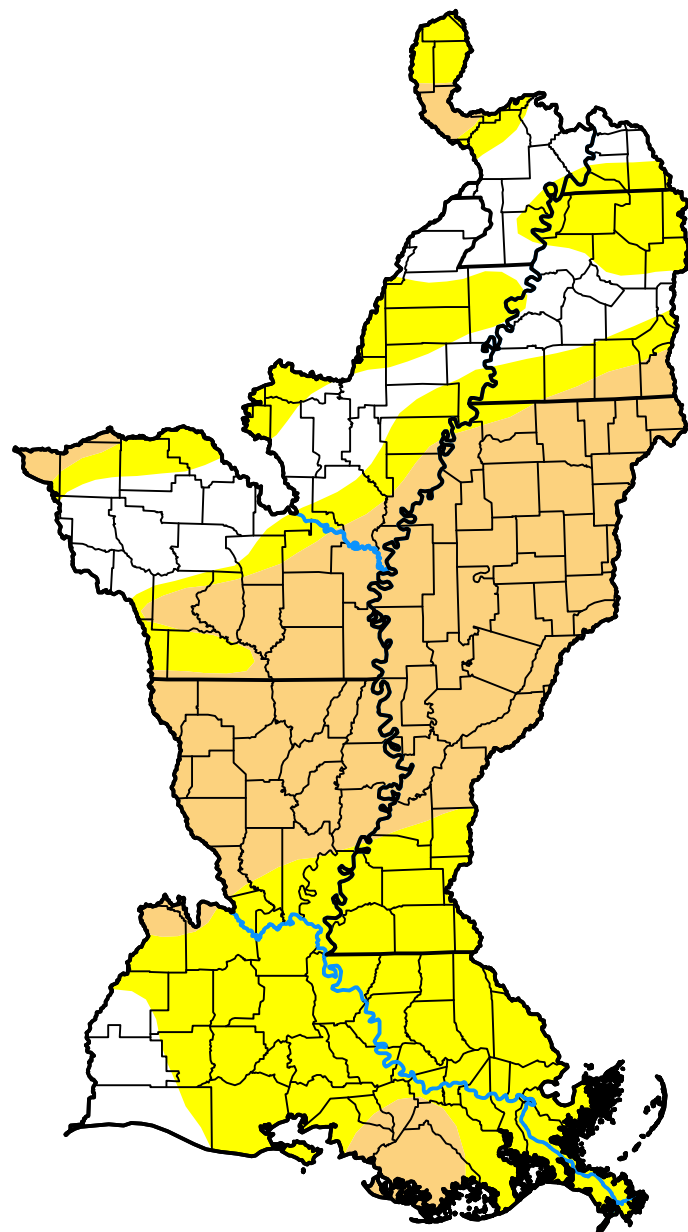


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed



**December 27, 2016**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 29, 2016)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None   | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 19.25  | 41.44 | 39.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>12-22-2016              | 2.69   | 26.87 | 70.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>09-29-2016           | 60.48  | 31.91 | 5.56  | 2.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-31-2015 | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2016    | 60.48  | 31.91 | 5.56  | 2.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>12-31-2015           | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

### Intensity:

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

*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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