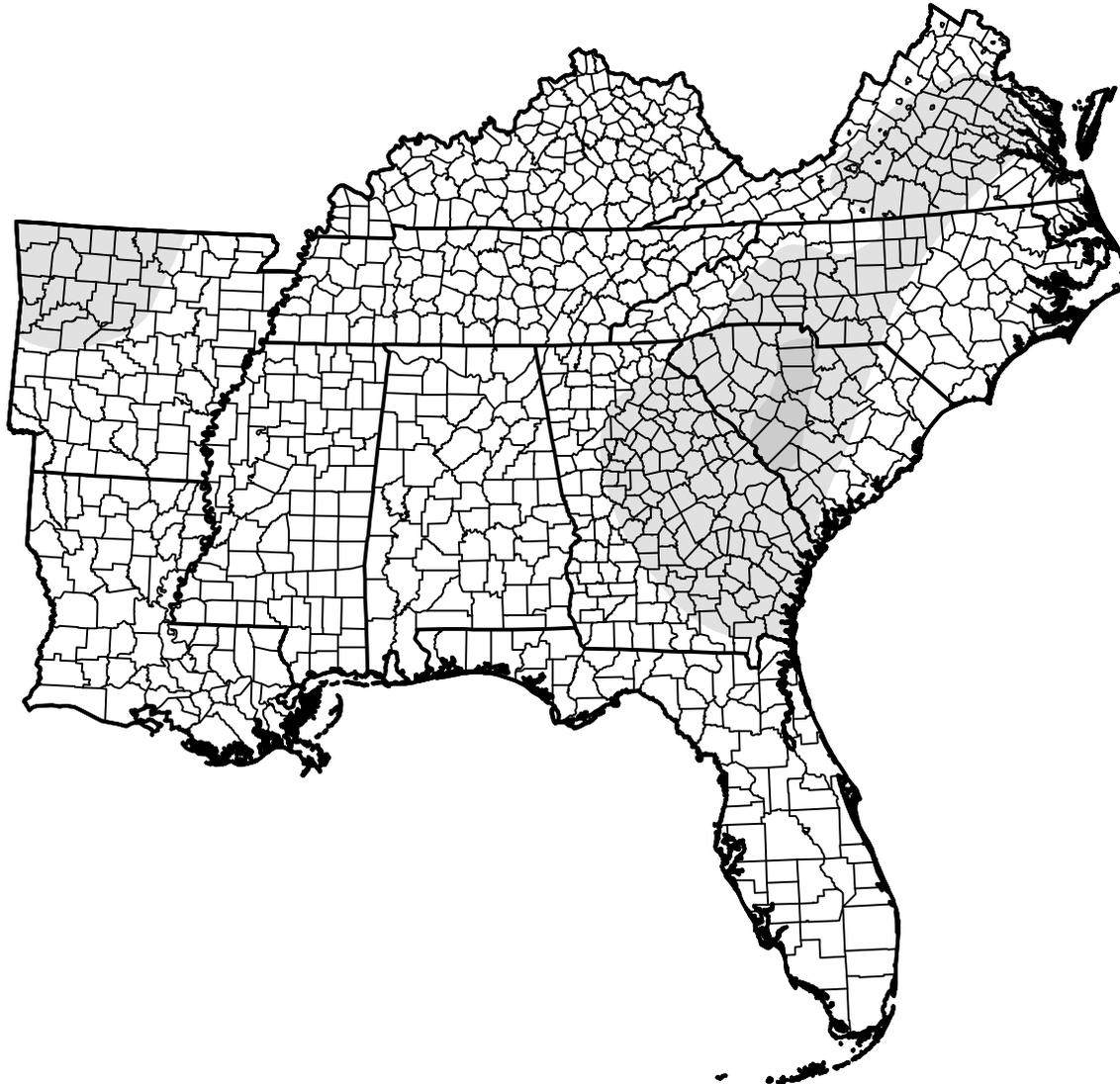


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USDA Southeast Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	79.94	20.06	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-10-2002</i>	75.62	24.38	6.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2002</i>	28.68	71.32	43.76	29.30	14.27	1.48
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	52.91	47.09	36.15	24.94	6.88	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	55.91	44.09	29.19	21.18	7.34	1.71
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2001</i>	56.34	43.66	32.17	22.91	2.42	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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