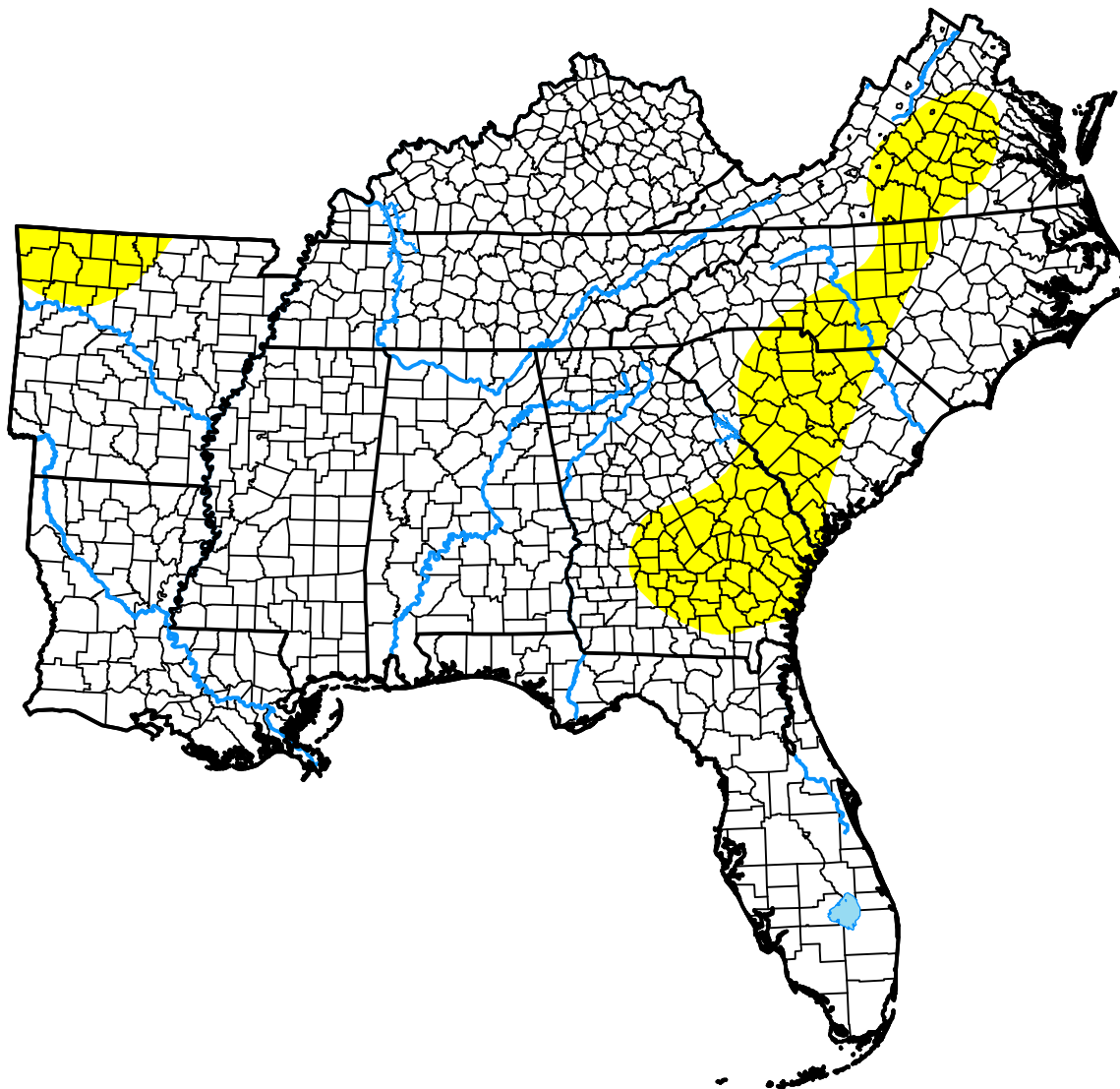


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southeast Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	86.94	13.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-24-2002</i>	80.03	19.09	0.89	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-01-2002</i>	55.91	14.90	8.01	13.84	5.64	1.71
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	52.91	10.95	11.20	18.06	6.88	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	55.91	14.90	8.01	13.84	5.64	1.71
One Year Ago <i>01-01-2002</i>	52.91	10.95	11.20	18.06	6.88	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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