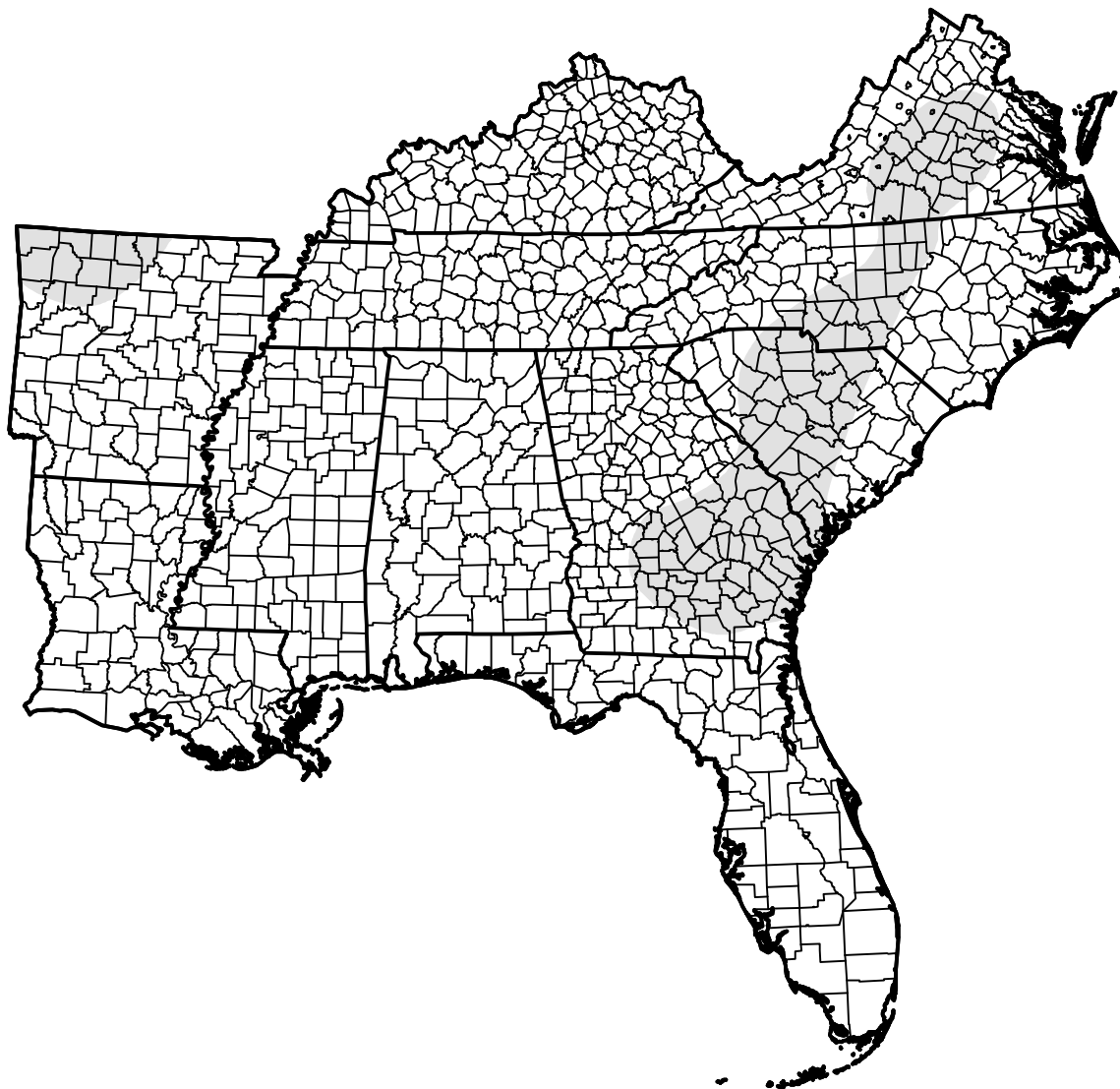


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southeast Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	86.94	13.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-24-2002</i>	80.03	19.97	0.89	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-01-2002</i>	55.91	44.09	29.19	21.18	7.34	1.71
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>01-01-2002</i>	52.91	47.09	36.15	24.94	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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