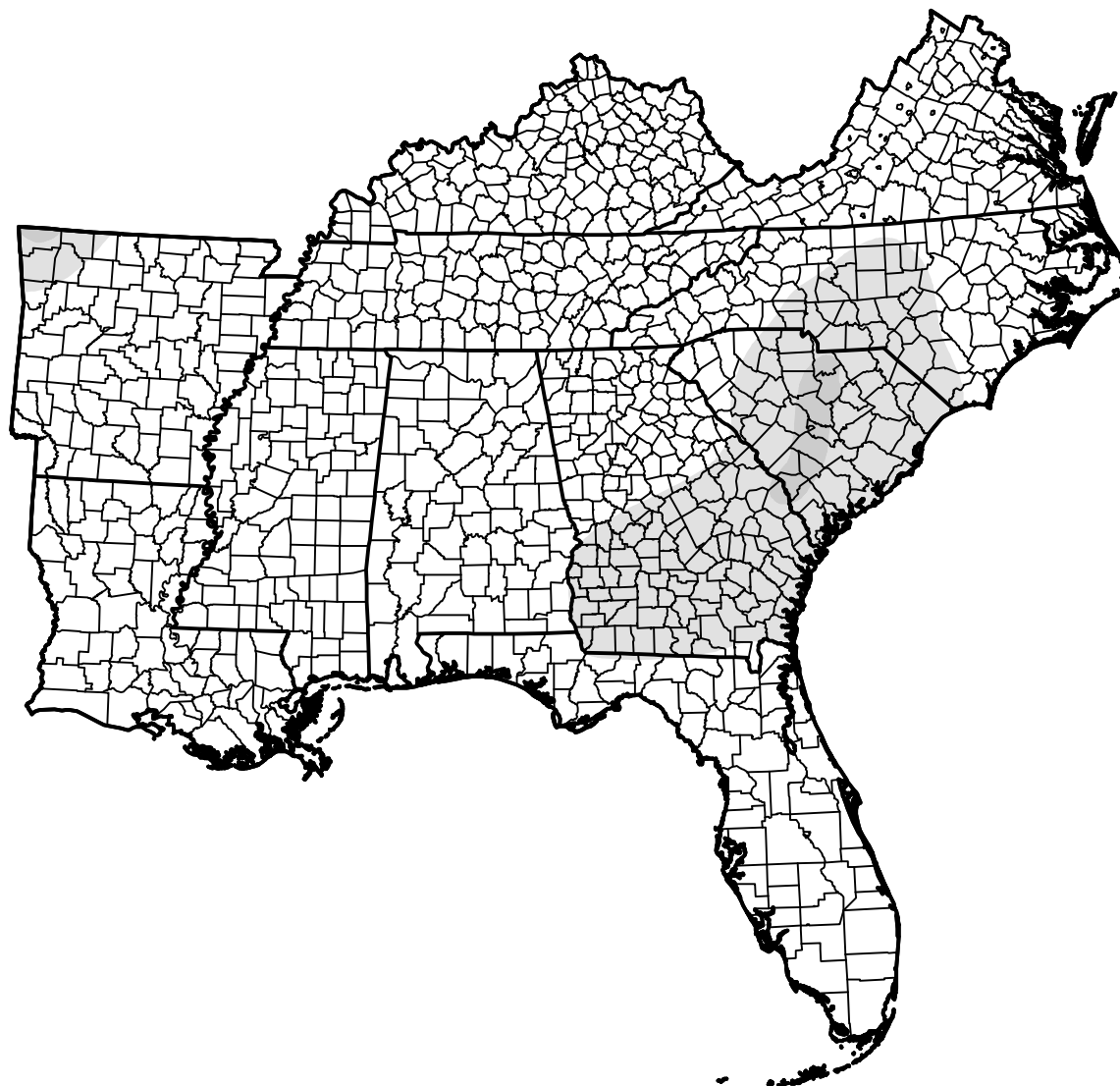


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southeast Climate Hub

**February 18, 2003**  
*(Released Thursday, Feb. 20, 2003)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 84.29 | 15.71 | 1.08  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-11-2003</i>              | 83.65 | 16.35 | 1.06  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-19-2002</i>           | 74.92 | 25.08 | 7.73  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 86.94 | 13.06 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 55.91 | 44.09 | 29.19 | 21.18 | 7.34  | 1.71 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-19-2002</i>           | 50.53 | 49.47 | 32.21 | 22.38 | 6.65  | 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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