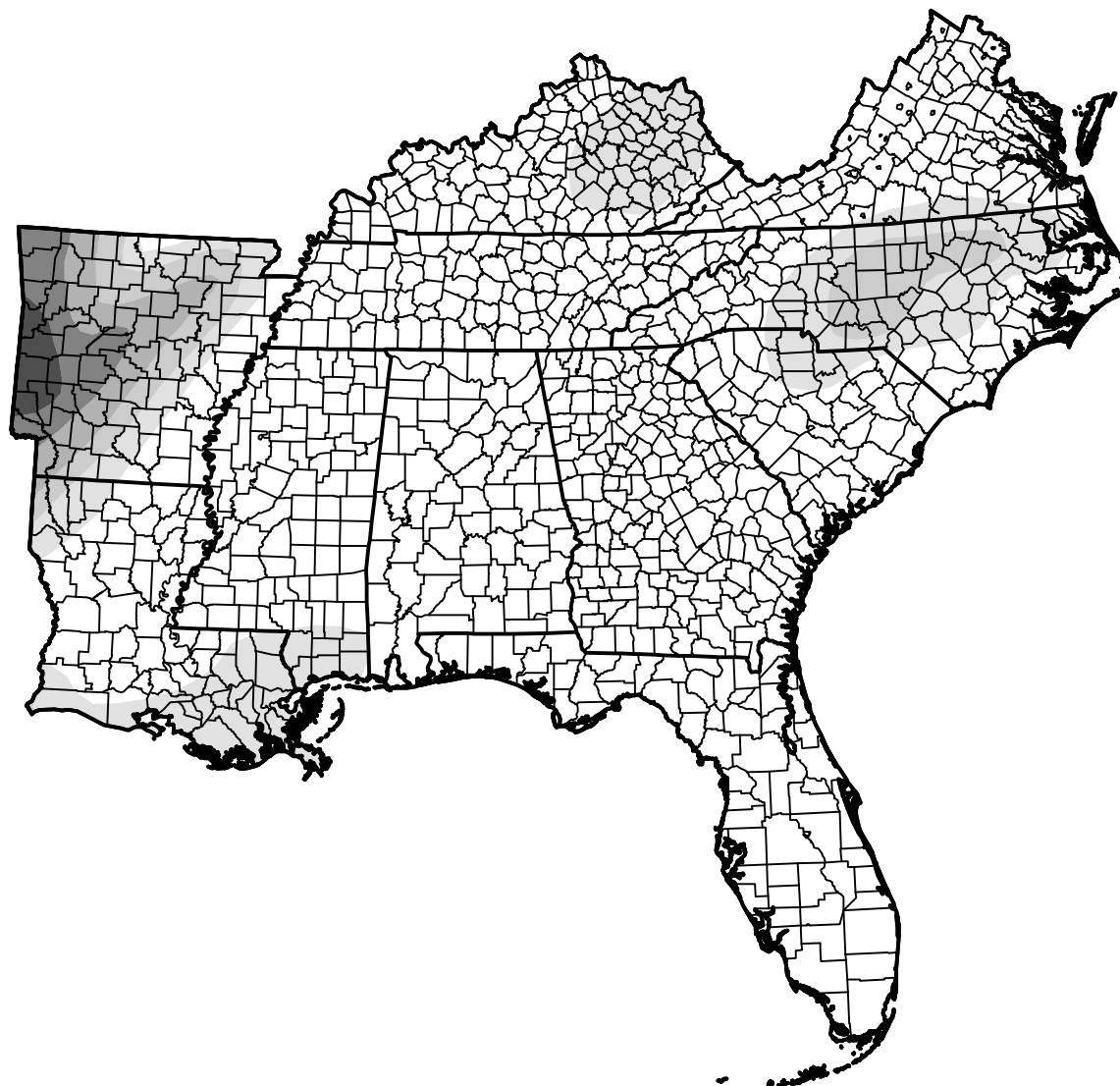


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southeast Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	78.46	21.54	8.77	4.71	2.53	0.72
Last Week <i>02-14-2006</i>	79.78	20.22	7.89	5.83	2.69	0.50
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2005</i>	30.97	69.03	27.46	4.54	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	67.78	32.22	19.90	9.71	1.84	0.66
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	70.12	29.88	9.46	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-22-2005</i>	94.26	5.74	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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