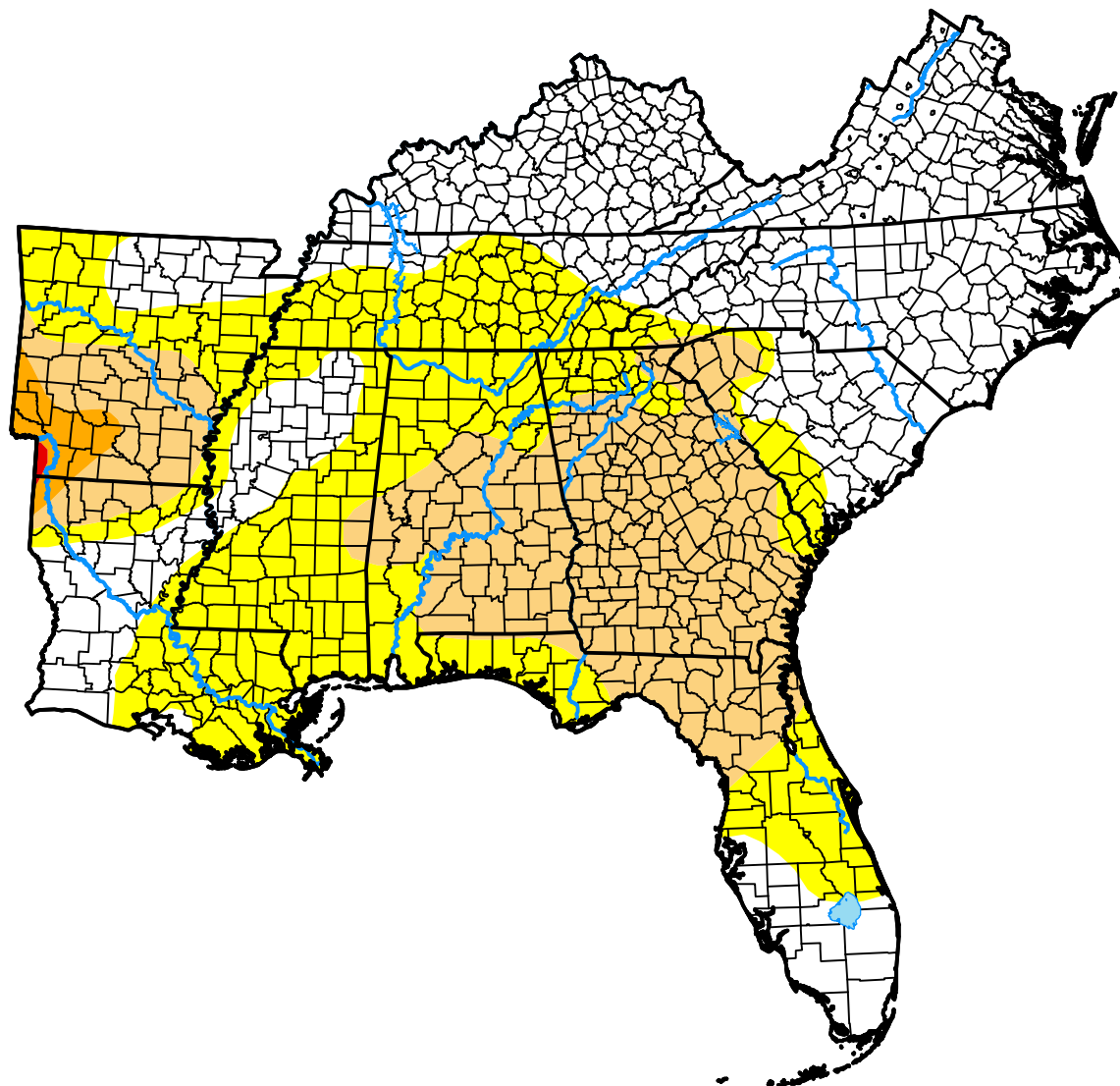


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southeast Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.68	31.74	24.19	1.31	0.07	0.00
Last Week <i>10-10-2006</i>	39.84	27.67	31.13	1.36	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-18-2006</i>	35.02	18.81	24.36	13.96	7.85	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	67.78	12.33	10.19	7.87	1.18	0.66
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	46.37	33.67	19.56	0.40	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-18-2005</i>	72.43	20.38	5.02	2.17	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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