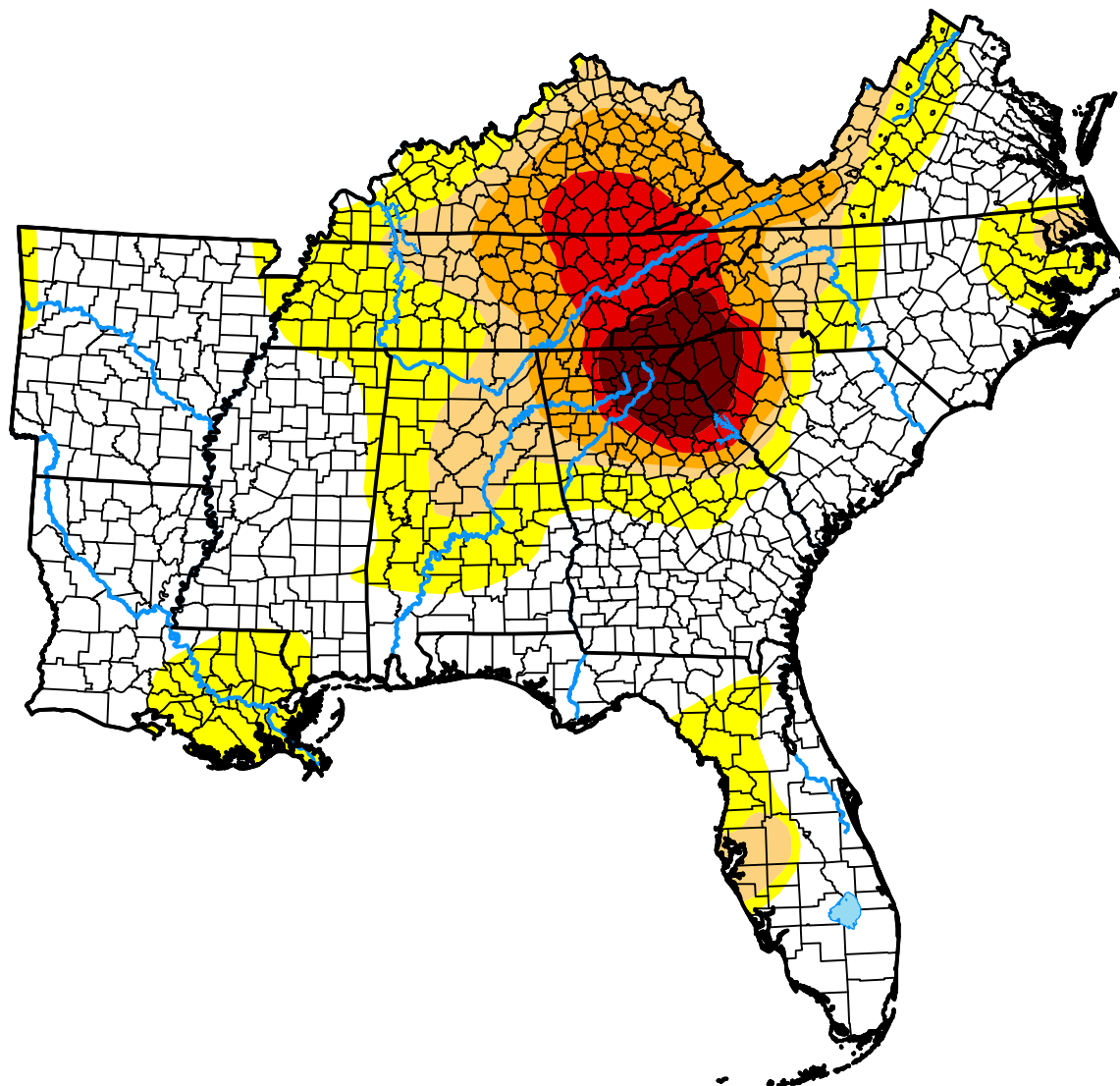


U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.52	47.48	25.24	15.65	7.73	2.82
Last Week <i>12-02-2008</i>	49.03	50.97	26.92	16.25	8.48	2.98
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2008</i>	53.35	46.65	28.39	13.89	5.43	0.83
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	31.39	68.61	48.67	37.59	26.93	13.84
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	48.20	51.80	36.01	18.38	6.31	1.04
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2007</i>	31.86	68.14	52.70	40.84	30.81	21.81

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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