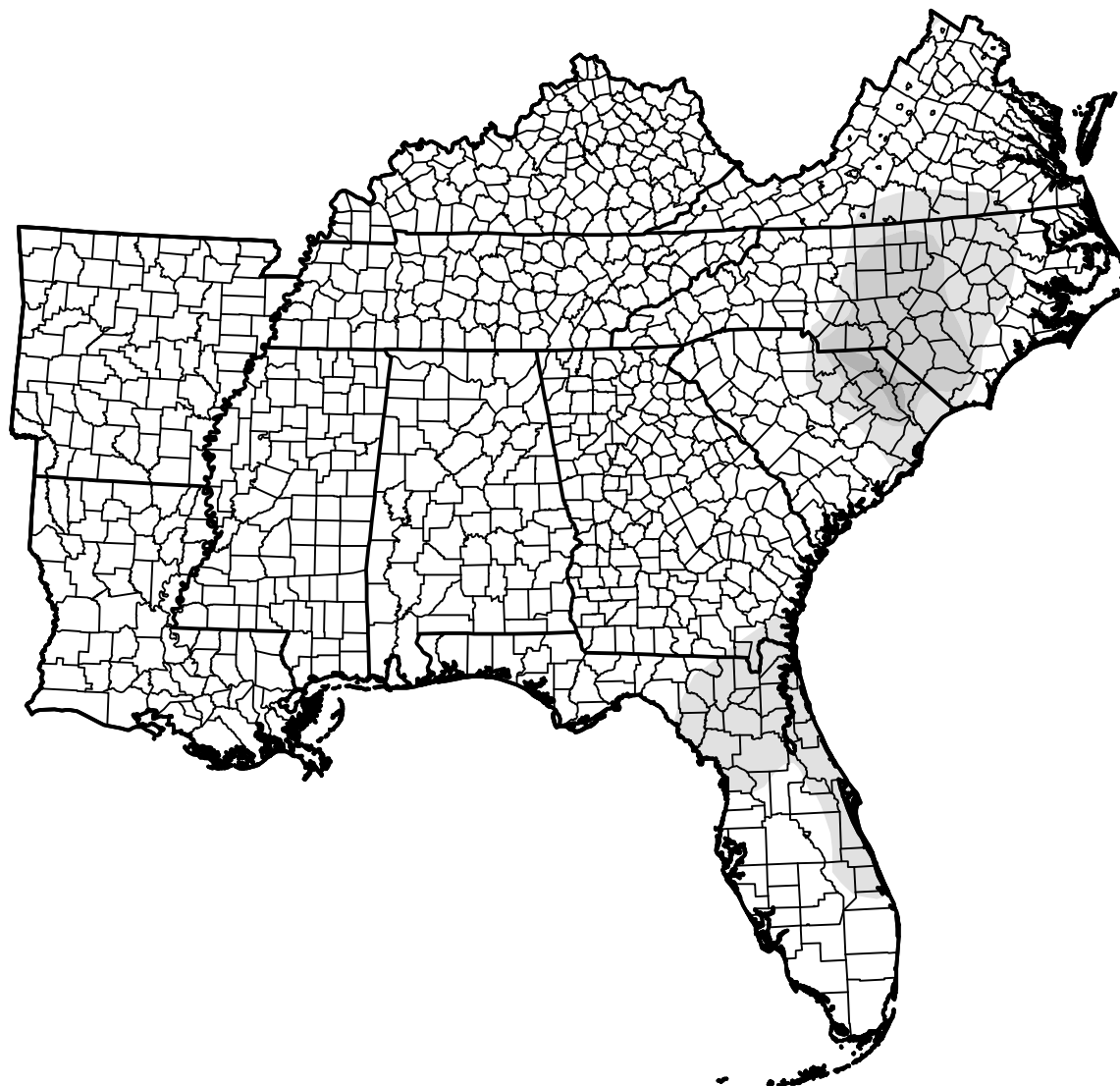


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southeast Climate Hub

**October 20, 2009**  
*(Released Thursday, Oct. 22, 2009)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 88.97 | 11.03 | 3.40  | 0.27  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-13-2009</i>              | 87.59 | 12.41 | 2.23  | 0.27  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-21-2009</i>           | 65.36 | 34.64 | 4.56  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 70.51 | 29.49 | 16.42 | 3.85  | 1.69  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2009</i>    | 86.64 | 13.36 | 4.08  | 0.80  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-21-2008</i>           | 50.00 | 50.00 | 31.68 | 20.29 | 7.78  | 0.71 |

### 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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