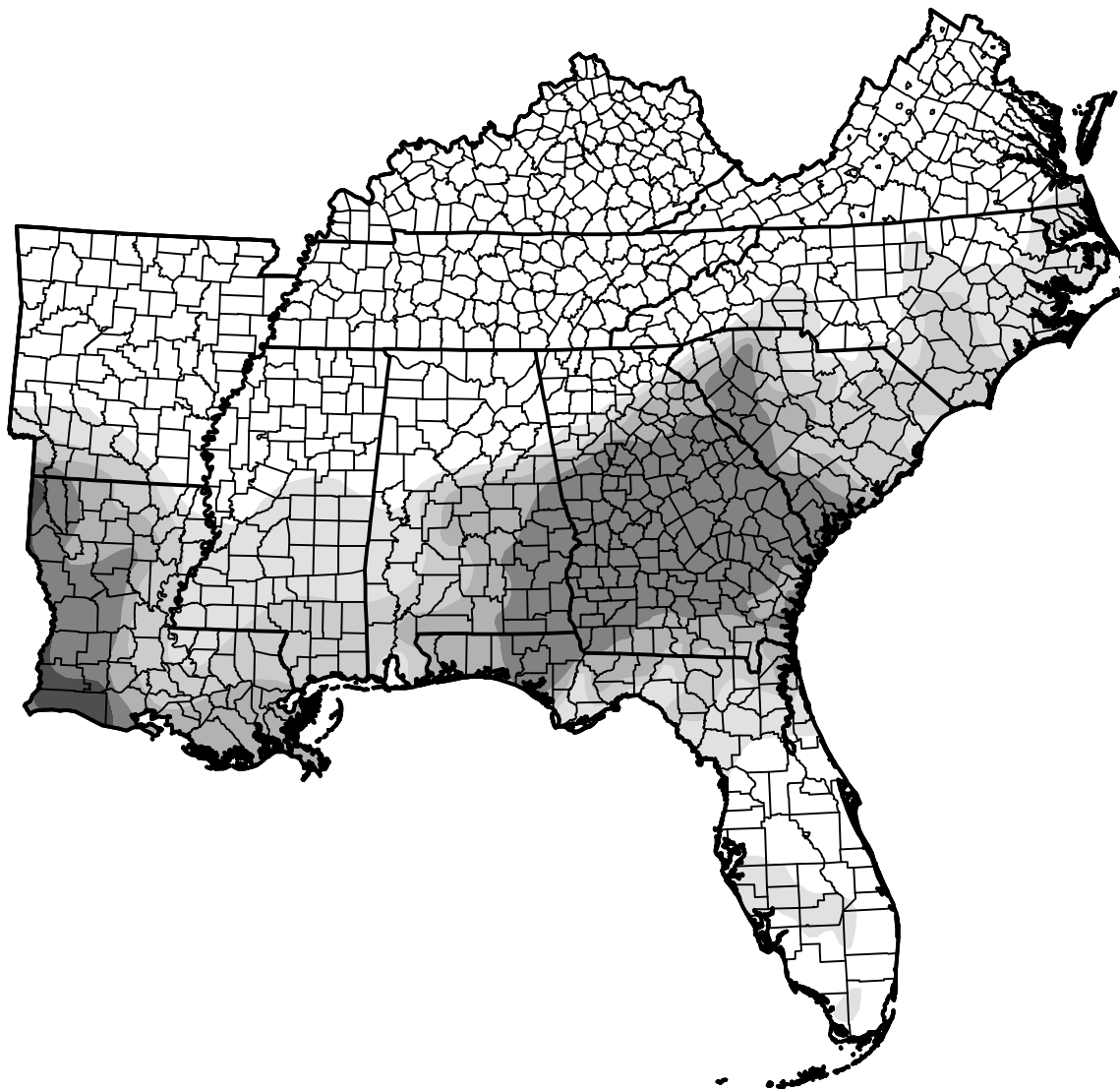


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southeast Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.76	48.24	34.30	23.29	14.10	0.68
Last Week <i>12-13-2011</i>	52.51	47.49	33.84	22.90	13.07	0.74
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2011</i>	44.41	55.59	40.18	24.61	17.50	1.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i>	21.15	78.85	55.02	27.30	8.12	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	48.81	51.19	35.84	24.96	17.44	1.64
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2010</i>	20.62	79.38	53.69	25.88	6.11	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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