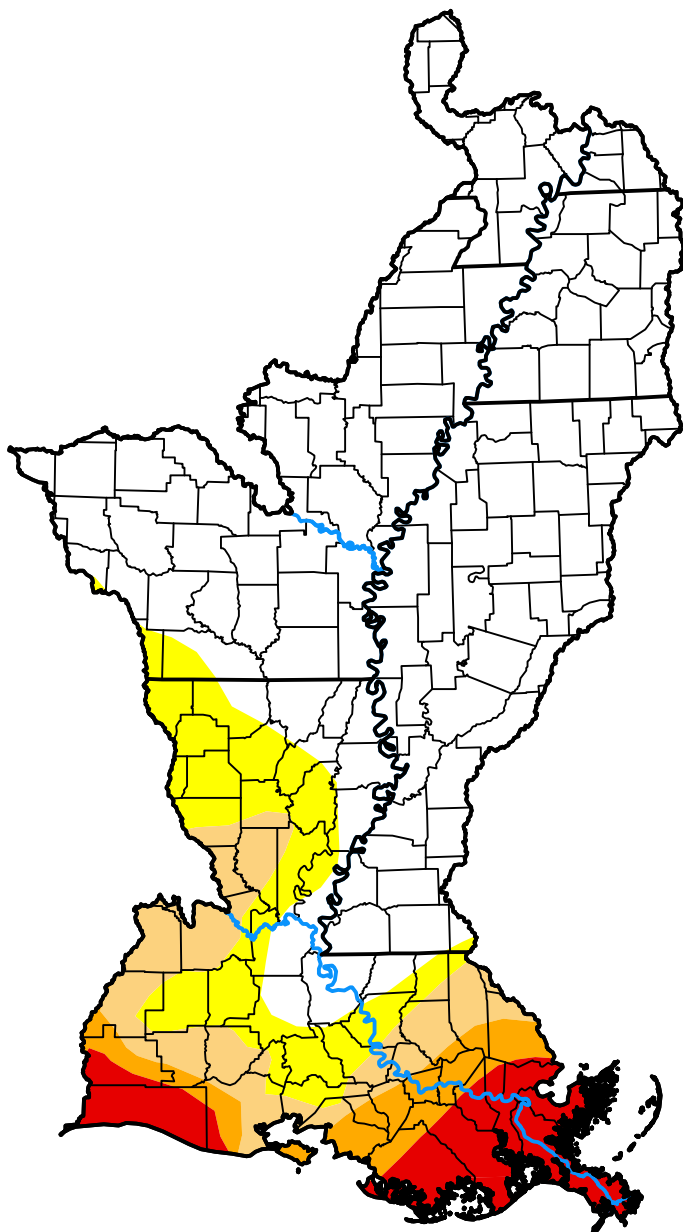


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	69.11	11.43	8.45	4.28	6.72	0.00
Last Week <i>01-26-2012</i>	66.70	9.11	9.61	7.68	6.90	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-03-2011</i>	17.18	28.05	32.35	7.82	6.72	7.88
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	61.50	8.95	11.00	9.43	7.57	1.54
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	41.41	26.40	15.42	7.41	8.48	0.89
One Year Ago <i>02-03-2011</i>	6.28	20.07	26.67	36.00	10.98	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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