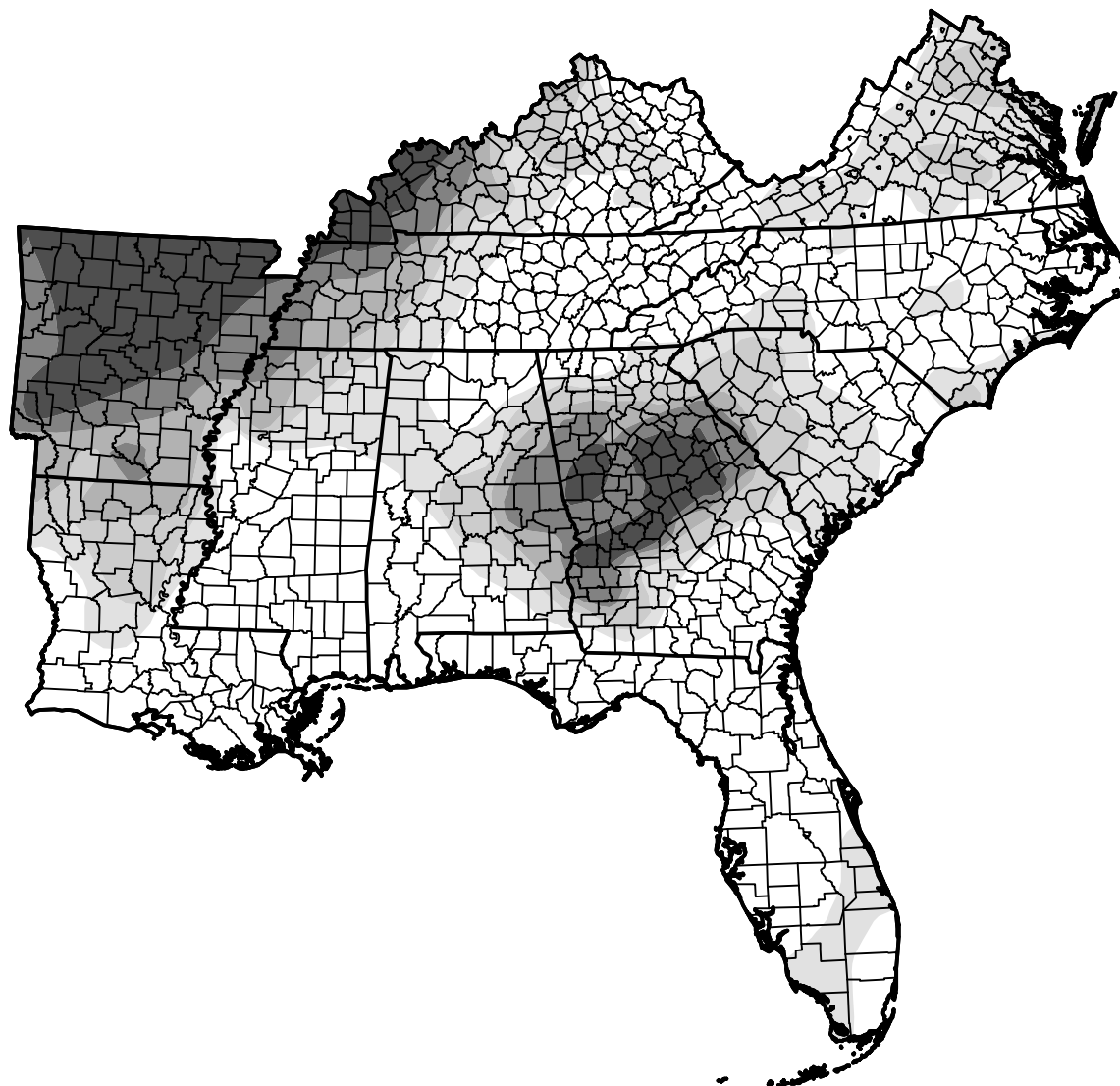


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southeast Climate Hub

**August 14, 2012**  
*(Released Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 47.98 | 52.02 | 32.34 | 22.90 | 16.40 | 8.62 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-07-2012</i>              | 45.74 | 54.26 | 35.89 | 25.16 | 17.41 | 9.57 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-15-2012</i>           | 41.67 | 58.33 | 34.55 | 25.20 | 16.54 | 5.03 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 51.42 | 48.58 | 34.56 | 21.38 | 12.82 | 0.37 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 48.81 | 51.19 | 35.84 | 24.96 | 17.44 | 1.64 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-16-2011</i>           | 24.32 | 75.68 | 49.59 | 30.39 | 13.79 | 2.78 |

### 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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