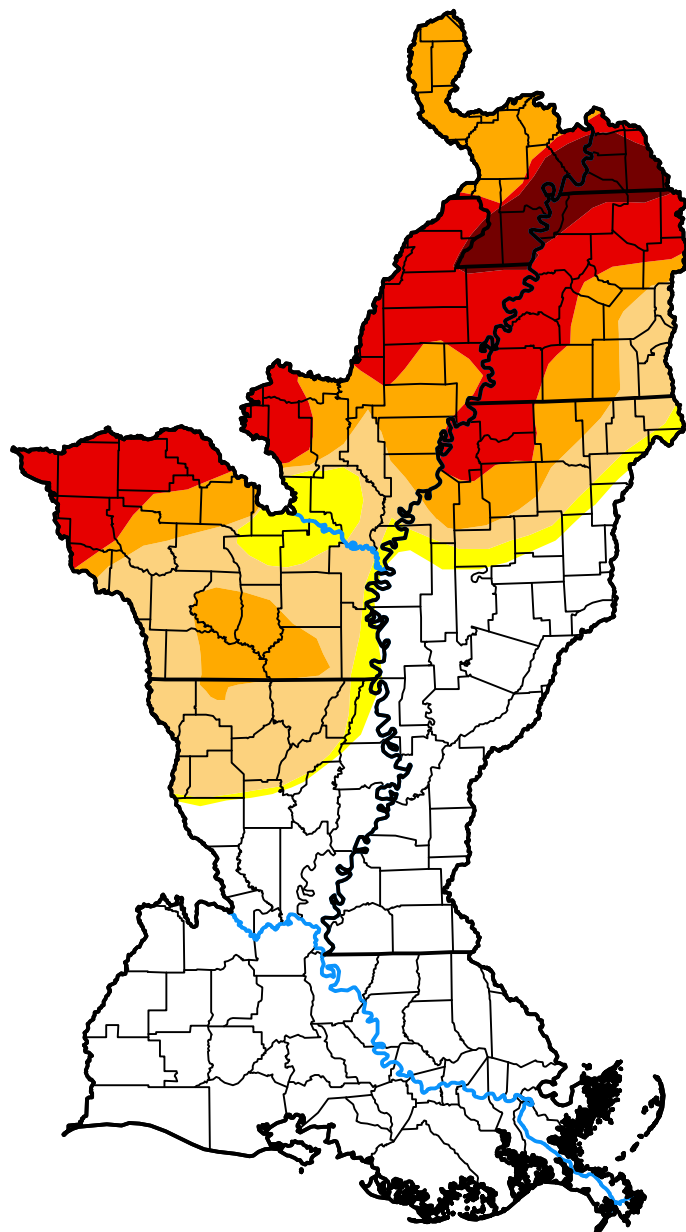


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

**September 4, 2012**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 46.47 | 53.53 | 48.74 | 33.40 | 18.38 | 3.38  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-30-2012</i>              | 35.04 | 64.96 | 55.62 | 45.56 | 28.01 | 11.14 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-07-2012</i>           | 19.49 | 80.51 | 37.30 | 4.33  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 61.50 | 38.50 | 29.55 | 18.54 | 9.11  | 1.54  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 41.41 | 58.59 | 32.20 | 16.78 | 9.37  | 0.89  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-08-2011</i>           | 39.15 | 60.85 | 33.44 | 16.78 | 7.88  | 1.03  |

### 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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