

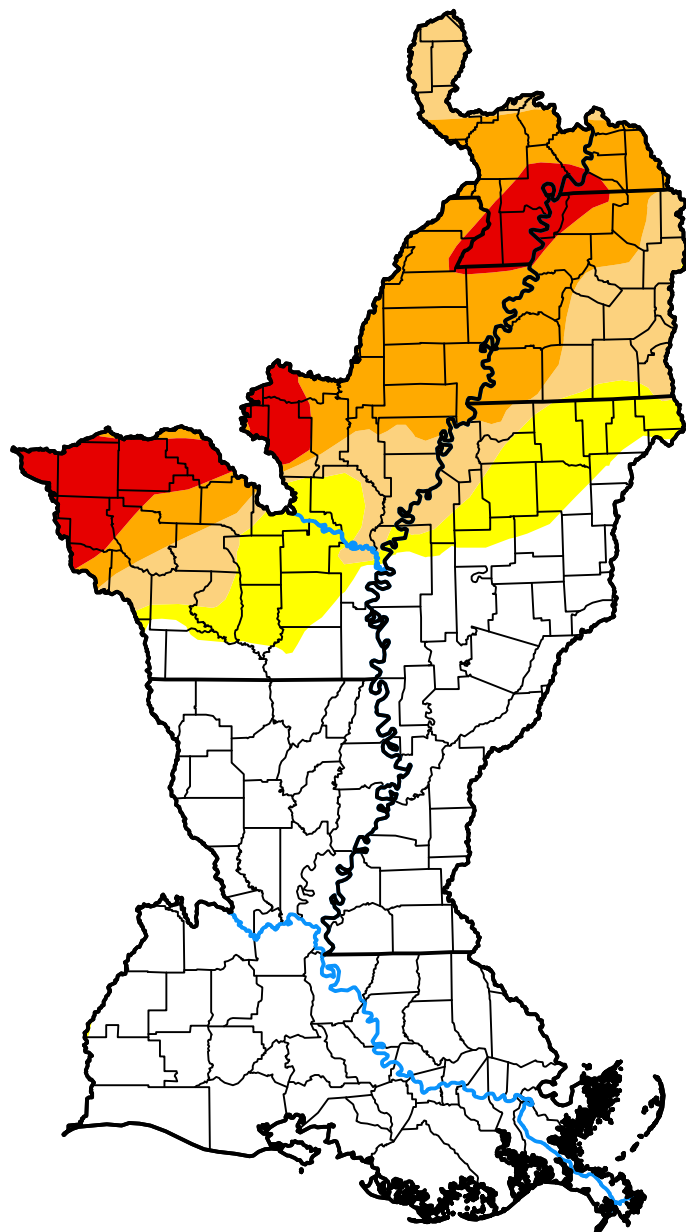
U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.27	43.73	34.06	22.65	7.04	0.00
Last Week 10-11-2012	55.88	44.12	34.00	23.28	8.36	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-19-2012	32.34	67.66	54.69	43.69	24.02	1.72
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2012	61.50	38.50	29.55	18.54	9.11	1.54
Start of Water Year 09-27-2012	46.35	53.65	44.13	27.82	9.63	0.00
One Year Ago 10-20-2011	20.80	79.20	45.25	22.78	15.37	7.88

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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