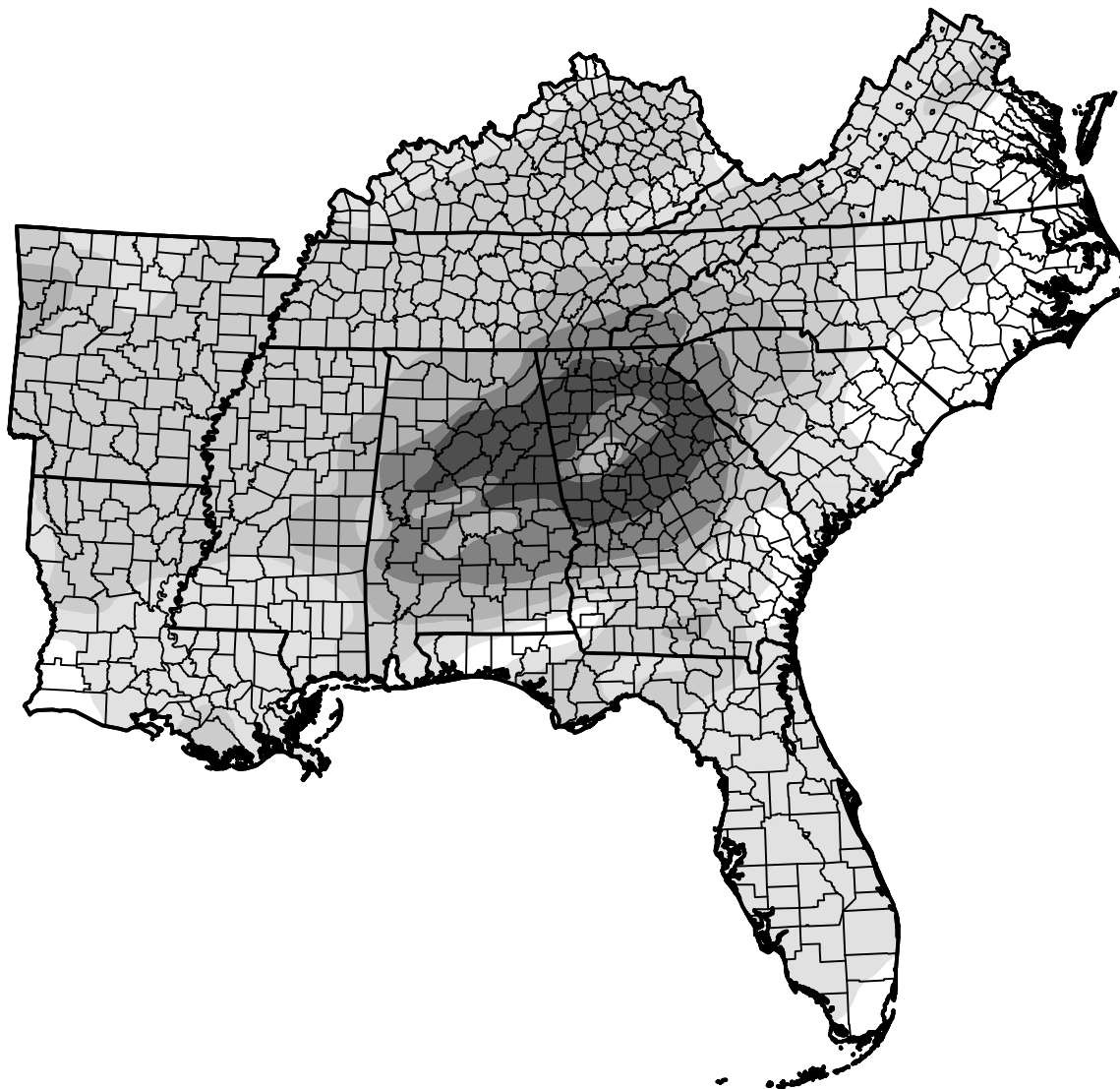


# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Southeast Climate Hub



**December 20, 2016**  
(Released Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 9.85  | 29.67 | 38.51 | 9.75  | 7.29 | 4.93 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>12-13-2016              | 16.08 | 18.34 | 30.44 | 20.85 | 9.15 | 5.14 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>09-20-2016           | 67.10 | 20.22 | 6.55  | 4.58  | 1.55 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-29-2015 | 97.23 | 2.77  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2016    | 54.59 | 28.97 | 9.05  | 4.80  | 2.30 | 0.29 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>12-22-2015           | 97.00 | 3.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 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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