

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Lower Mississippi Watershed

October 17, 2017

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None   | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 56.51  | 43.49 | 8.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-12-2017</i>              | 71.29  | 28.71 | 0.65  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-20-2017</i>           | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2017</i> | 46.67  | 53.33 | 26.84 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2017</i>    | 88.20  | 11.80 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-20-2016</i>           | 8.96   | 91.04 | 47.40 | 11.52 | 0.81  | 0.00 |

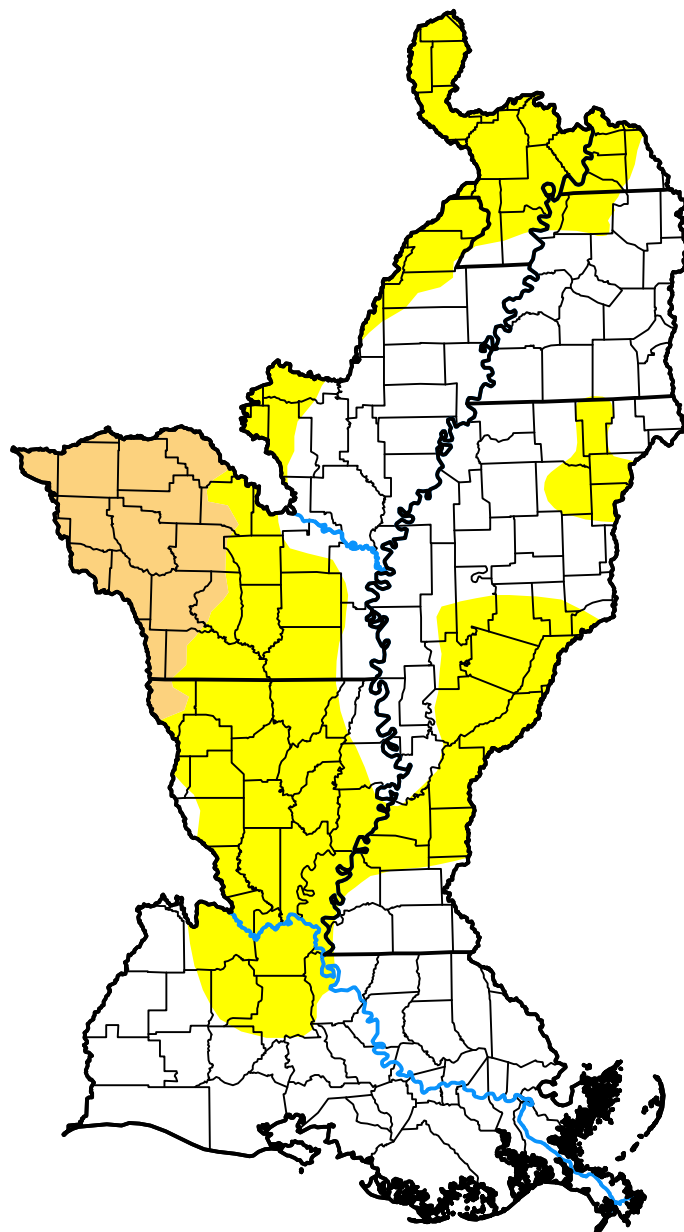
### Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  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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