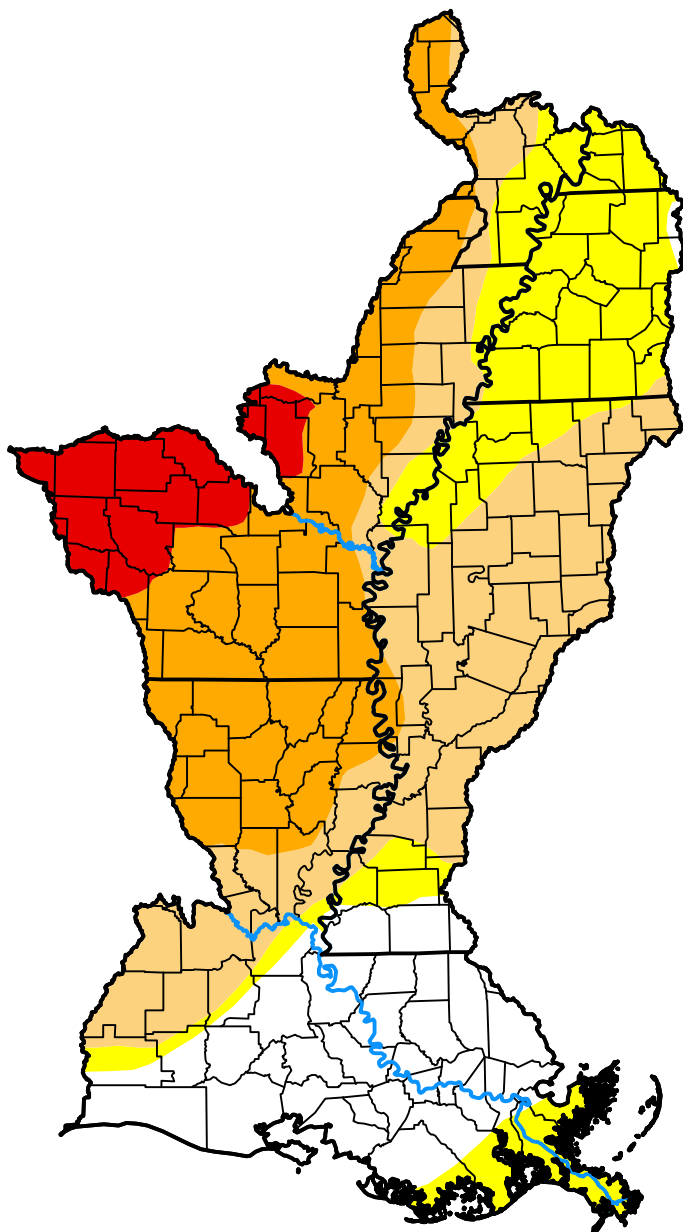


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	19.47	80.53	59.76	31.09	7.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-14-2017</i>	16.10	83.90	60.01	31.09	13.79	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2017</i>	88.53	11.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2017</i>	46.67	53.33	26.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2017</i>	88.20	11.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2016</i>	2.69	97.31	70.44	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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