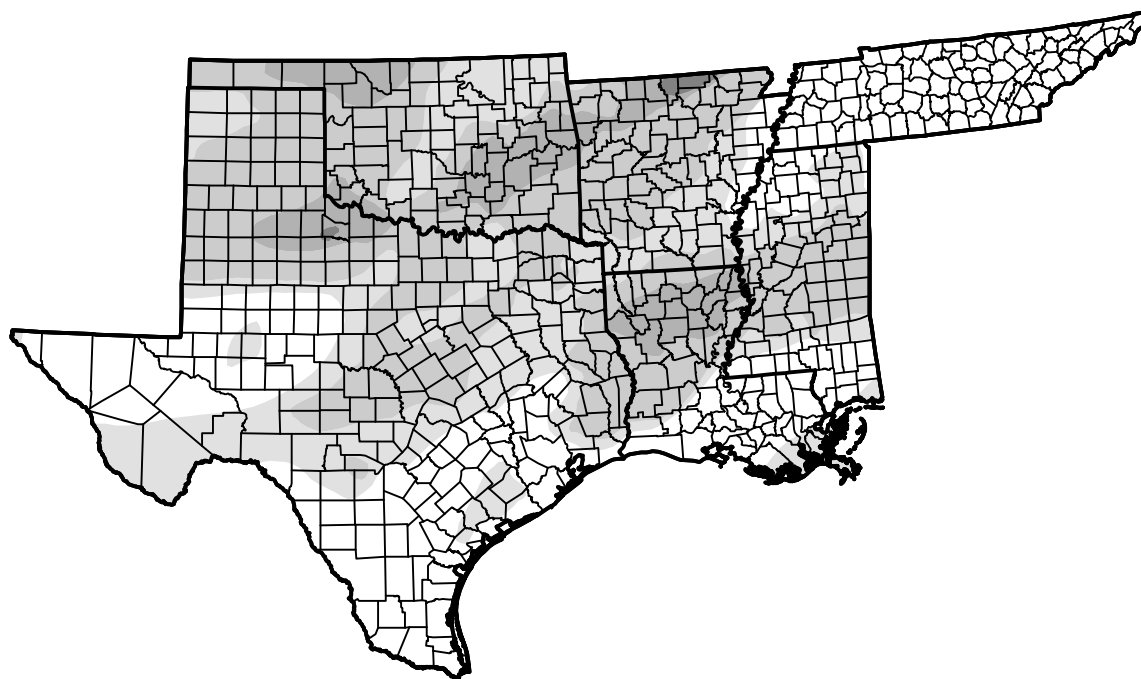


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## South

**December 26, 2017**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 34.14 | 24.56 | 32.89 | 8.12  | 0.30 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-19-2017</i>              | 29.16 | 23.22 | 26.69 | 18.09 | 2.85 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-26-2017</i>           | 72.17 | 25.45 | 2.36  | 0.02  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2017</i> | 53.95 | 18.36 | 16.60 | 9.98  | 1.11 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2017</i>    | 72.17 | 25.45 | 2.36  | 0.02  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-27-2016</i>           | 42.70 | 26.09 | 20.54 | 9.83  | 0.84 | 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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