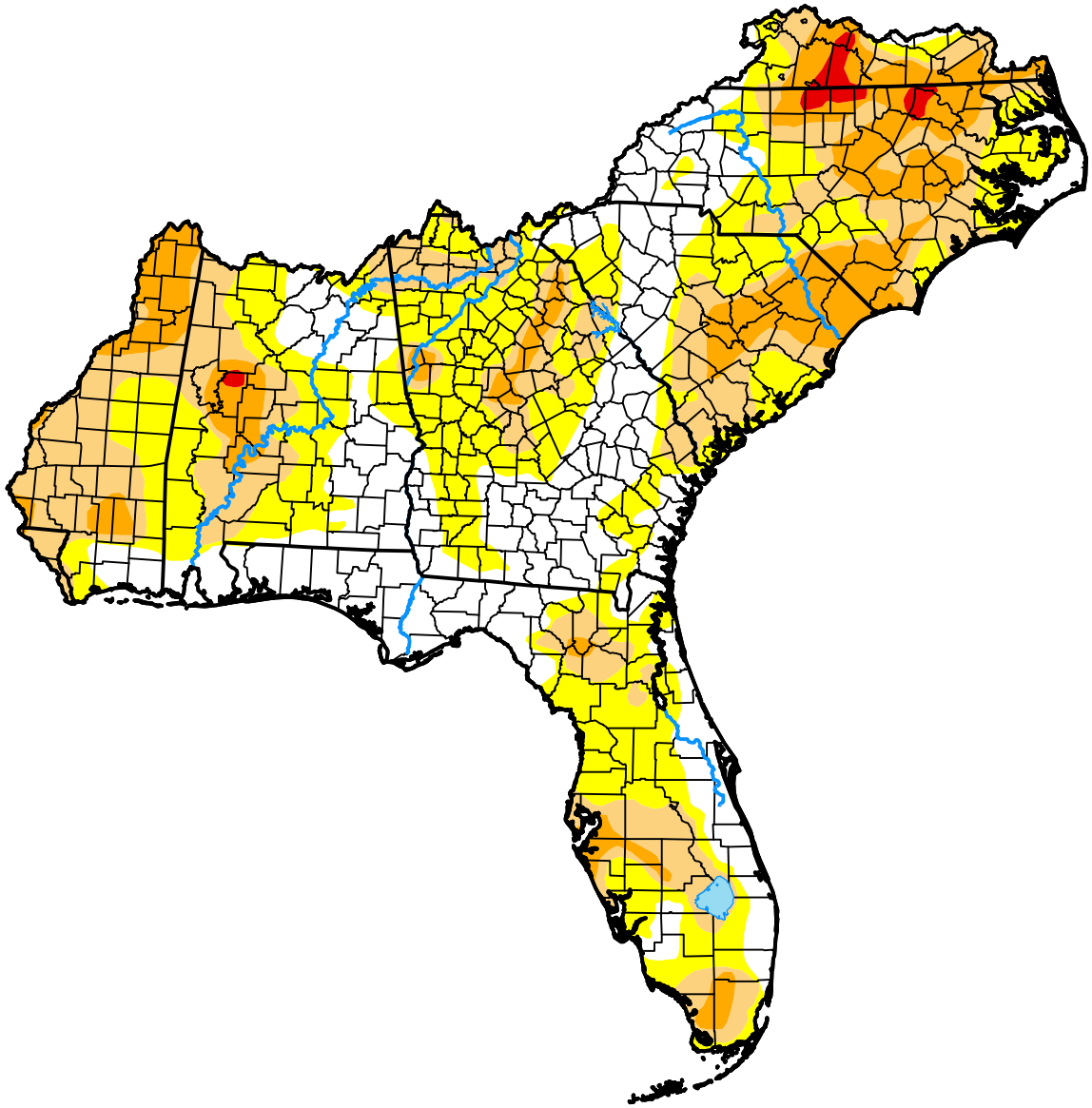
*U.S. Drought Monitor*

# South Atlantic-Gulf Watershed



## October 20, 2026

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Current** | 28.97 | 71.03 | 37.57 | 14.31 | 0.87 | 0.00 |
| **Last Week** *10-13-2026* | 27.01 | 72.99 | 39.01 | 12.73 | 1.28 | 0.00 |
| **3 Months Ago** *07-21-2026* | 30.29 | 69.71 | 49.12 | 33.80 | 11.62 | 0.36 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** *01-06-2026* | 0.04 | 99.96 | 81.80 | 27.15 | 1.48 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Water Year** *09-29-2026* | 5.41 | 94.59 | 56.40 | 18.42 | 3.09 | 0.06 |
| **One Year Ago** *10-21-2025* | 14.41 | 85.59 | 57.53 | 19.65 | 5.28 | 0.00 |

*Intensity:*

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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