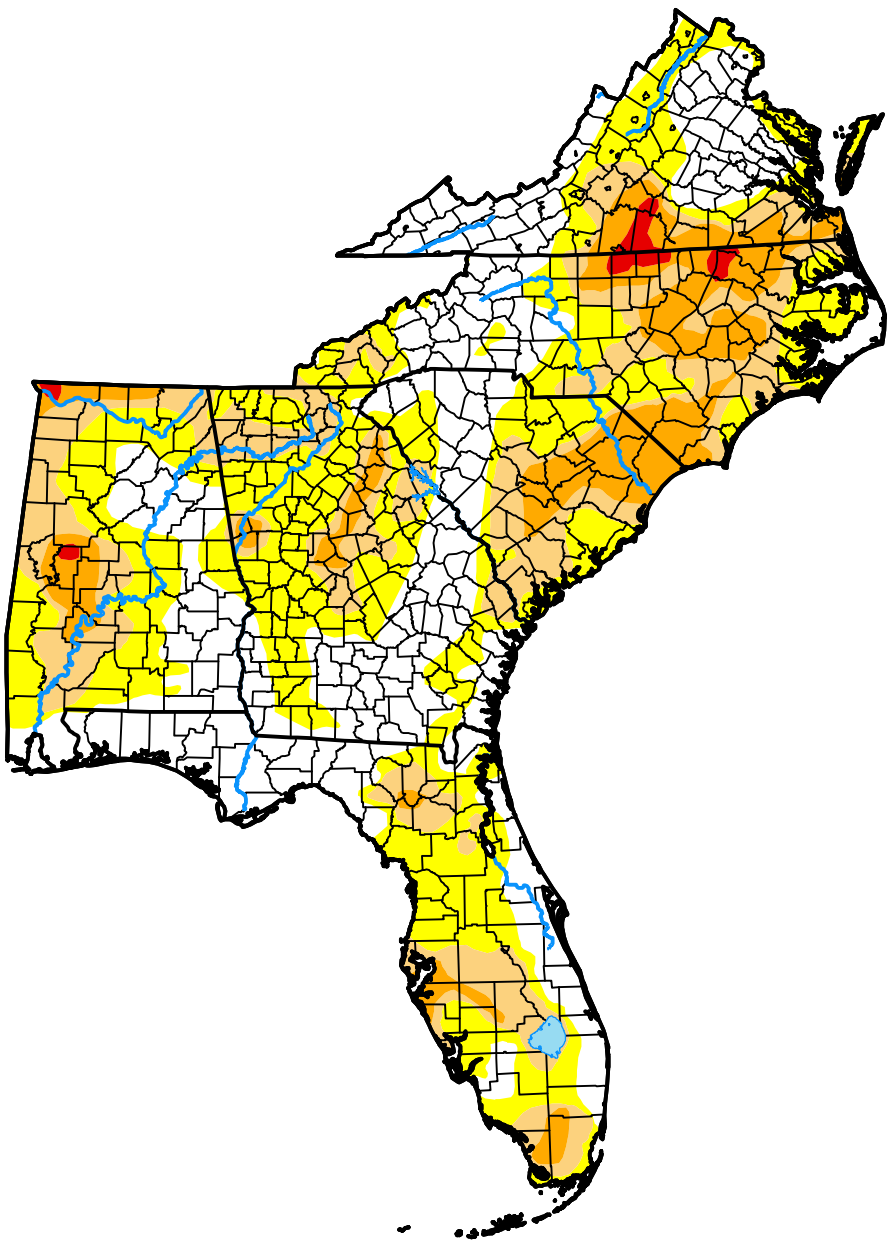
# *U.S. Drought Monitor*

# Southeast



## October 20, 2026

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**Valid 8 a.m. EDT**

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Current** | 33.74 | 66.26 | 31.74 | 12.05 | 0.89 | 0.00 |
| **Last Week** *10-13-2026* | 30.73 | 69.27 | 34.20 | 11.71 | 1.20 | 0.00 |
| **3 Months Ago** *07-21-2026* | 22.26 | 77.74 | 56.43 | 37.33 | 12.03 | 0.34 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** *01-06-2026* | 0.36 | 99.64 | 83.86 | 31.43 | 1.38 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Water Year** *09-29-2026* | 10.44 | 89.56 | 51.78 | 17.14 | 2.89 | 0.06 |
| **One Year Ago** *10-21-2025* | 15.04 | 84.96 | 58.43 | 19.10 | 4.94 | 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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