

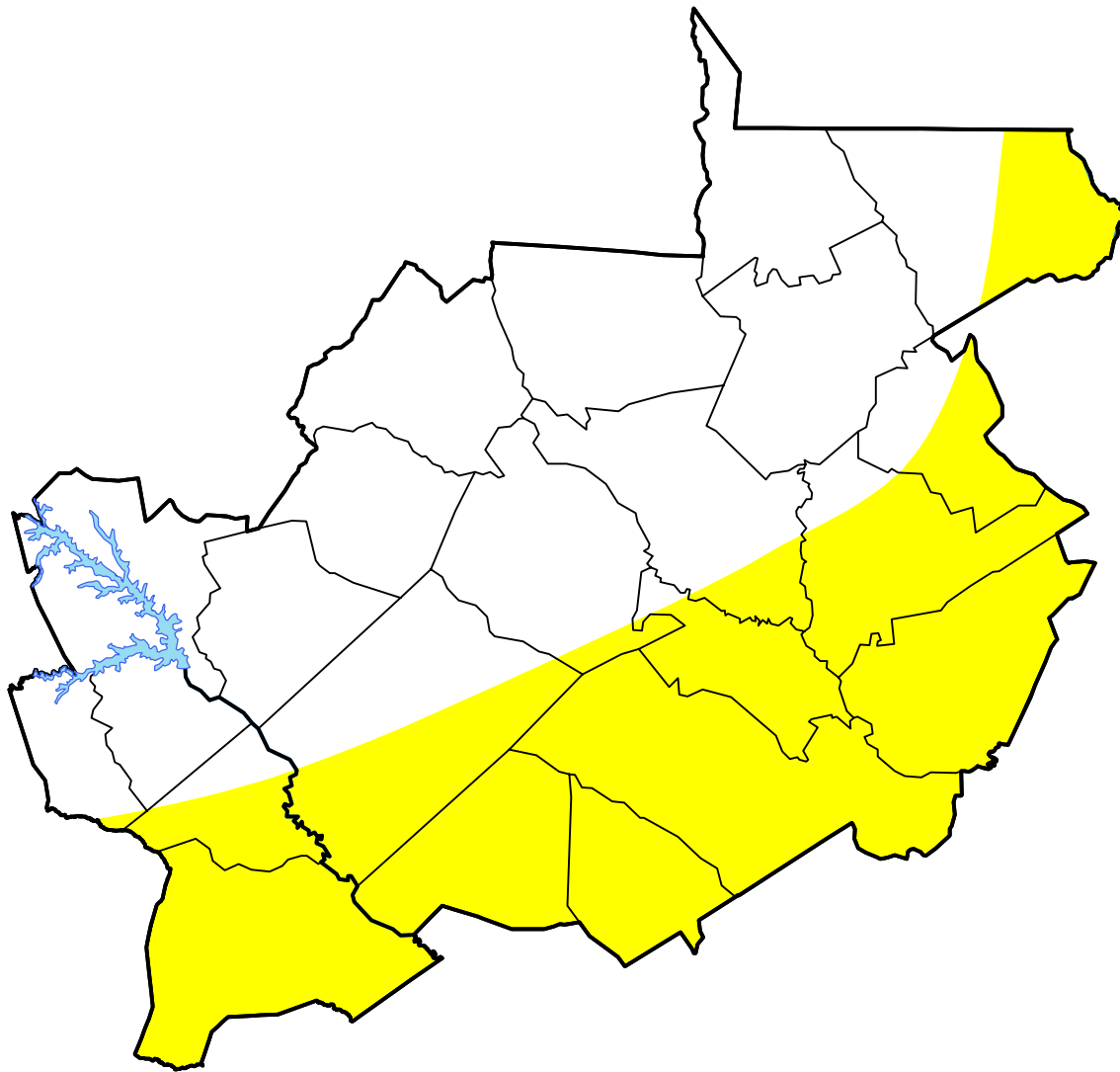
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Columbia, SC WFO

**March 18, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	55.21	44.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-13-2003</i>	54.24	45.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-19-2002</i>	5.29	62.77	31.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2003</i>	15.16	84.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-03-2002</i>	0.00	5.24	16.80	75.29	2.67	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-21-2002</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	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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