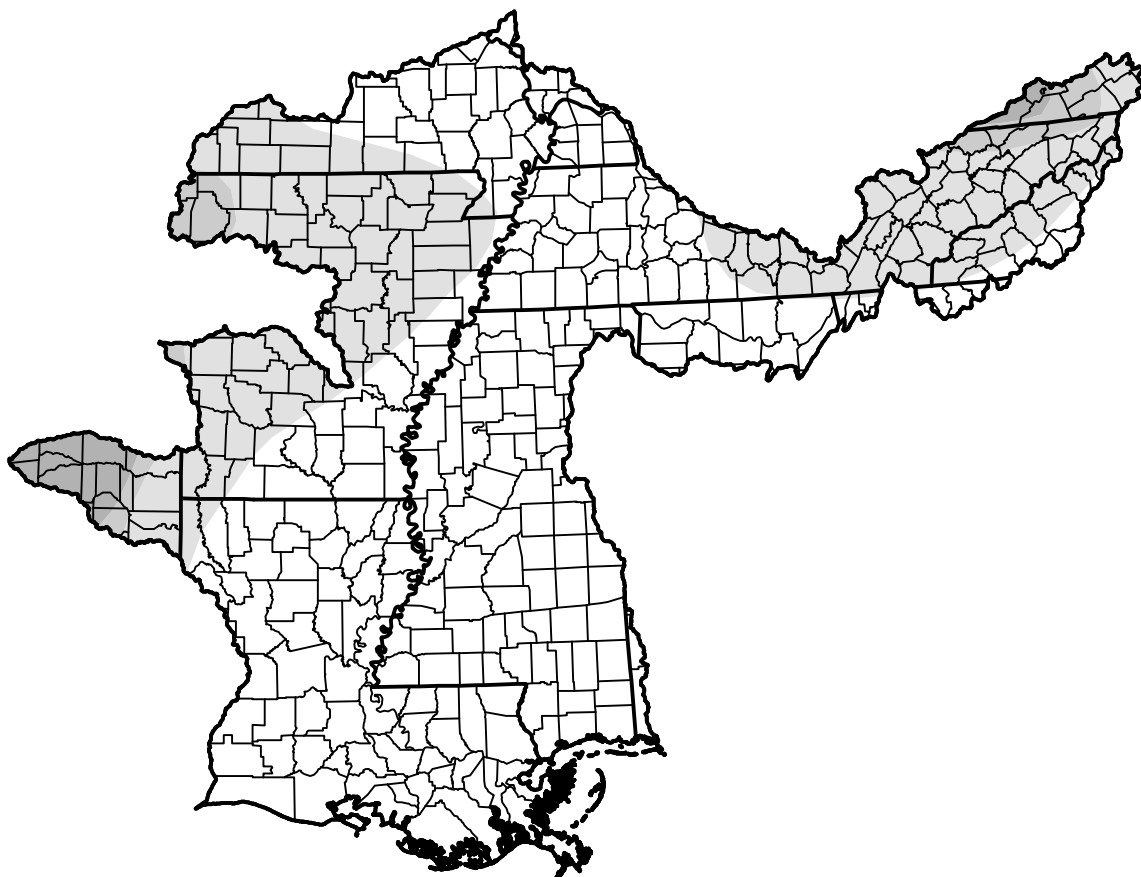


U.S. Drought Monitor

Lower Mississippi RFC

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.31	31.69	4.93	2.10	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-13-2005</i>	73.56	26.44	2.85	1.75	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2005</i>	53.09	46.91	30.28	16.46	5.01	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	85.47	14.53	2.04	0.84	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2004</i>	86.98	13.02	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



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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