

# U.S. Drought Monitor

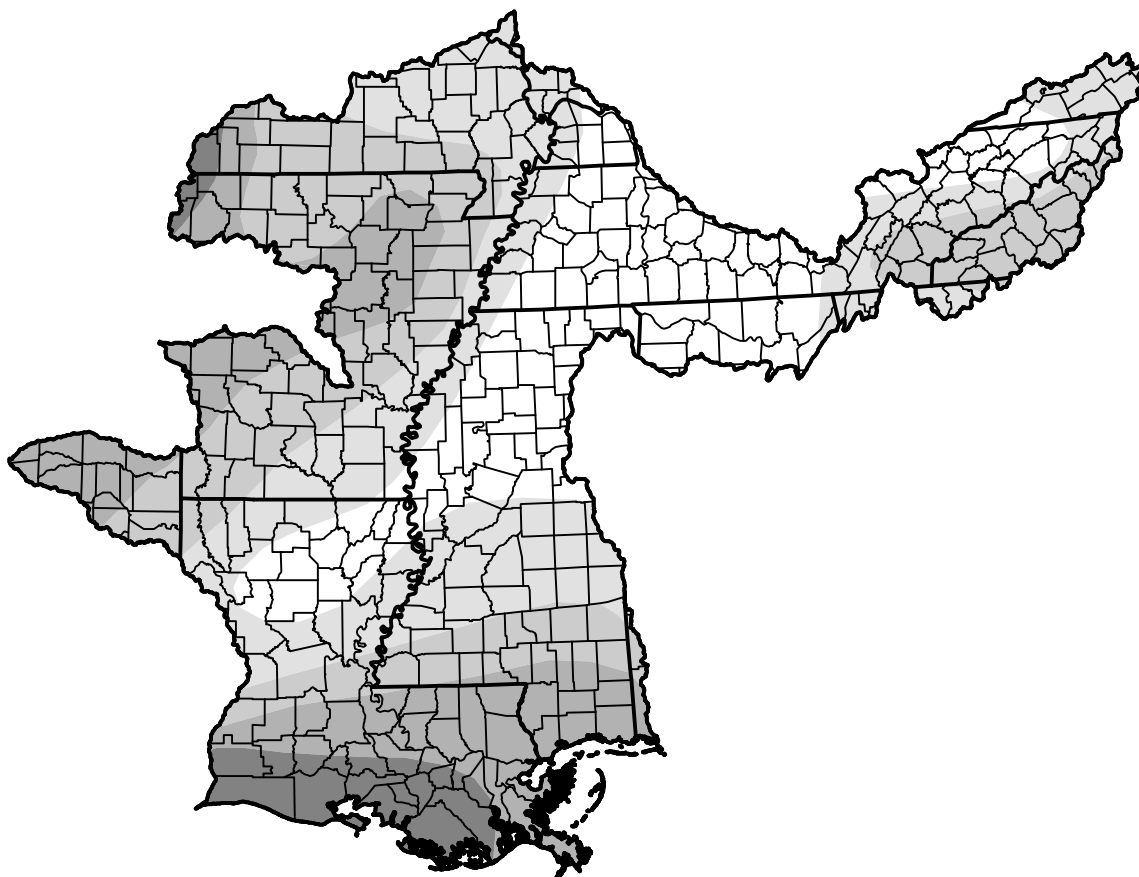
## Lower Mississippi RFC

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	25.01	28.42	23.16	17.78	5.64	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-13-2006</i>	38.32	28.67	20.65	12.37	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-19-2006</i>	15.77	34.17	31.03	9.37	7.16	2.50
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	44.56	22.62	13.62	13.01	3.68	2.50
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	85.47	12.49	1.20	0.84	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-21-2005</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	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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