U.S. Drought Monitor

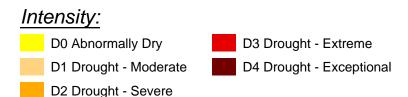
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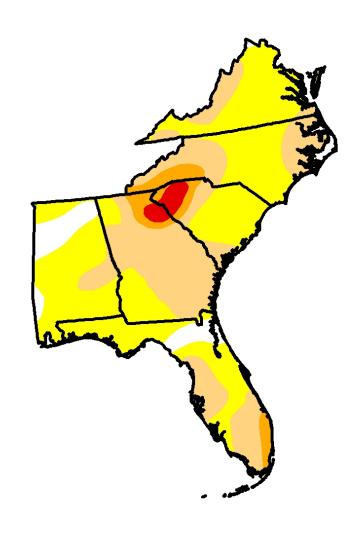
Southeast

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6.1	93.9	41.4	7.1	1.9	0.0
Last Week (02/17/2009 map)	6.1	93.9	29.8	6.0	1.9	0.0
3 Months Ago (12/02/2008 map)	46.2	53.8	28.5	15.0	8.6	5.3
Start of Calendar Year (01/06/2009 map)	65.3	34.7	15.7	5.3	2.8	0.0
Start of Water Year (10/07/2008 map)	35.2	64.8	41.8	20.8	9.4	1.9
One Year Ago (02/26/2008 map)	18.1	81.9	66.2	48.6	27.1	8.9



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.









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