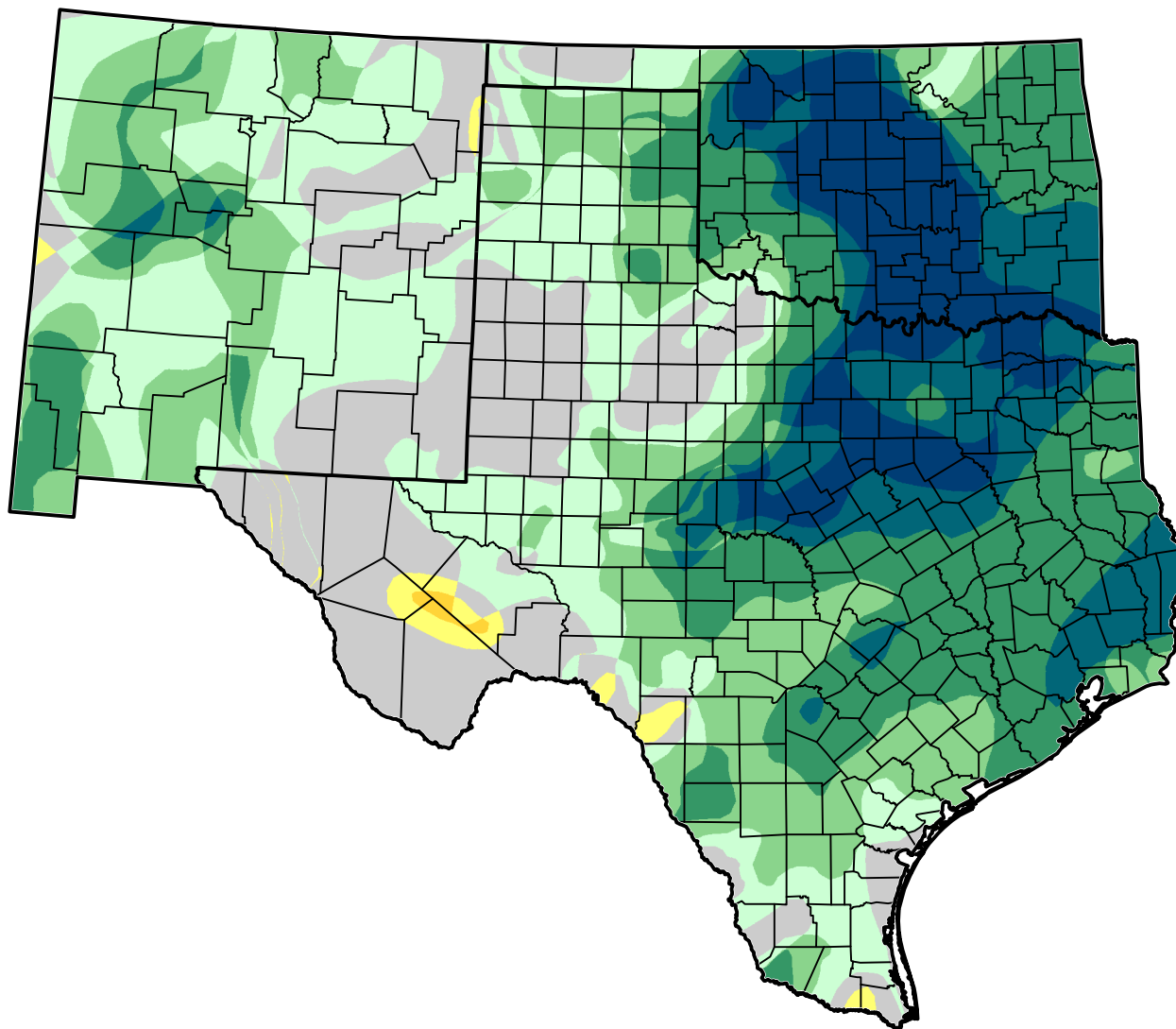


U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - Southern Plains Area

Start of Water Year



March 20, 2012
compared to
September 27, 2011

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|---------------|---------------------|
| Dark Brown | 5 Class Degradation |
| Brown | 4 Class Degradation |
| Orange | 3 Class Degradation |
| Yellow-Orange | 2 Class Degradation |
| Yellow | 1 Class Degradation |
| Light Gray | No Change |
| Light Green | 1 Class Improvement |
| Medium Green | 2 Class Improvement |
| Dark Green | 3 Class Improvement |
| Teal | 4 Class Improvement |
| Dark Blue | 5 Class Improvement |