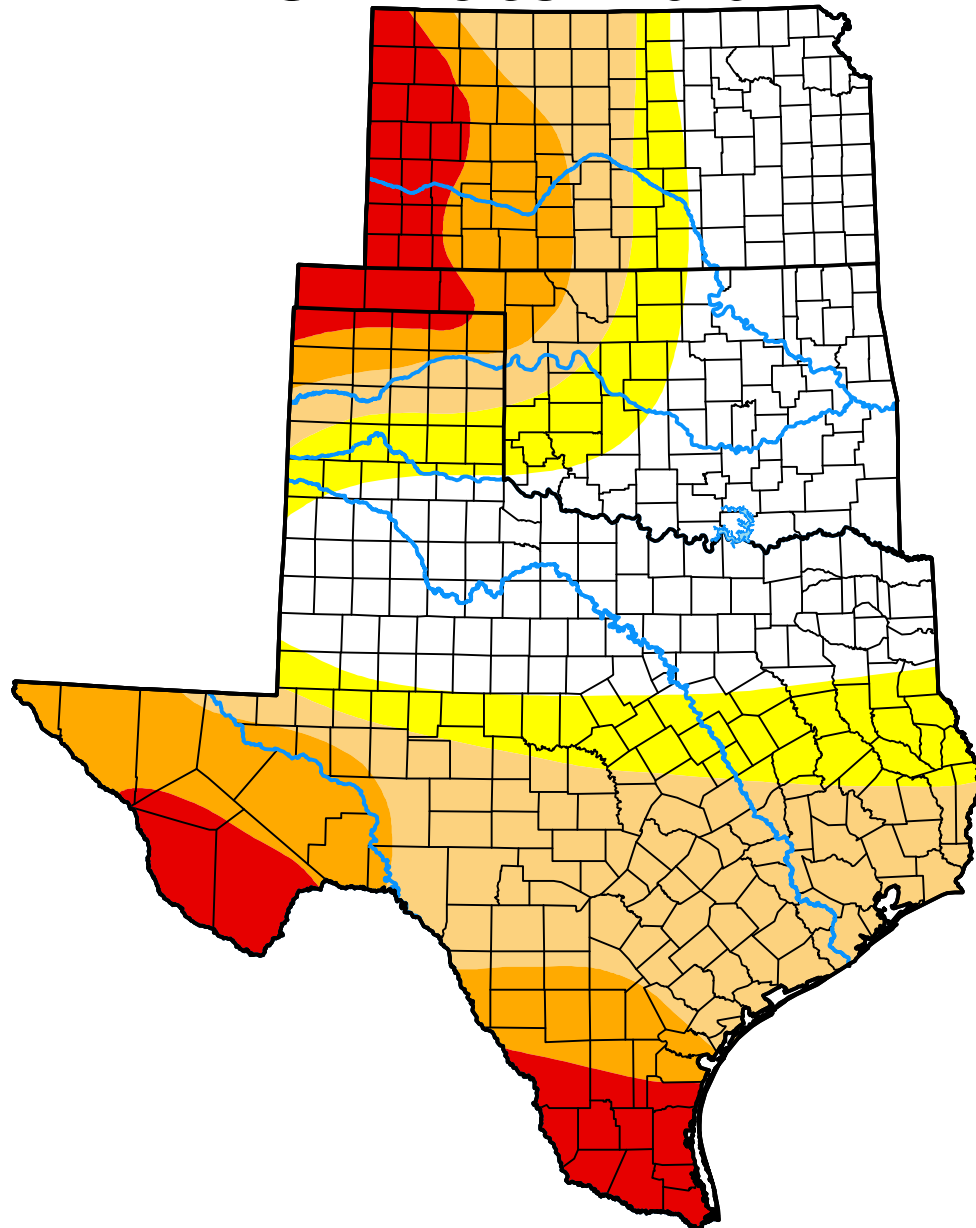


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



**May 21, 2002**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 34.97 | 14.84 | 25.20 | 14.43 | 10.56 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-14-2002</i>              | 31.77 | 16.82 | 26.53 | 16.89 | 7.99  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-19-2002</i>           | 60.85 | 15.16 | 15.39 | 4.60  | 4.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 43.71 | 15.94 | 25.51 | 7.74  | 7.10  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2001</i>    | 57.31 | 19.67 | 13.69 | 9.33  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-22-2001</i>           | 81.14 | 10.77 | 5.99  | 2.09  | 0.00  | 0.00 |

#### Intensity:

|                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| None                | D2 Severe Drought      |
| D0 Abnormally Dry   | D3 Extreme Drought     |
| D1 Moderate 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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