

# U.S. Drought Monitor

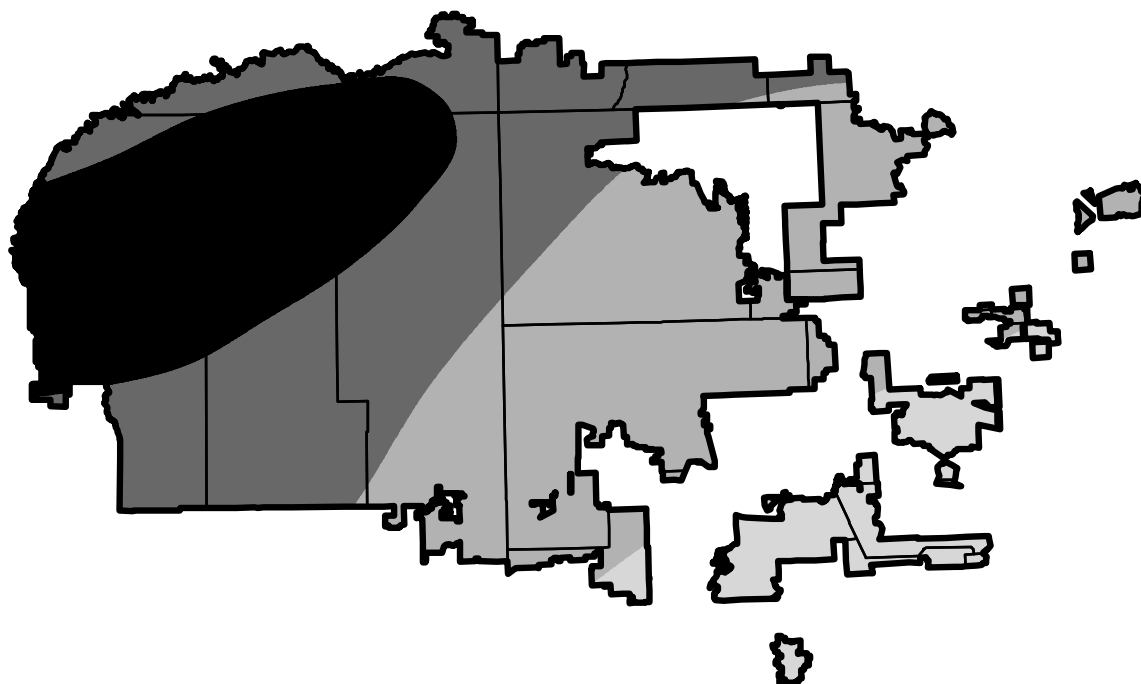
## 4 Corners

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
Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.00	100.00	100.00	92.76	59.26	24.92
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12/3/2002</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	92.63	56.84	24.36
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>9/10/2002</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	92.74	52.68
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>1/1/2002</i>	70.74	29.26	0.57	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10/1/2002</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	94.20	81.66	43.74
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12/11/2001</i>	97.31	2.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



***Intensity:***

-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Moderate Drought
-  D2 Severe Drought
-  D3 Extreme Drought
-  D4 Exceptional Drought

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

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