

# U.S. Drought Monitor

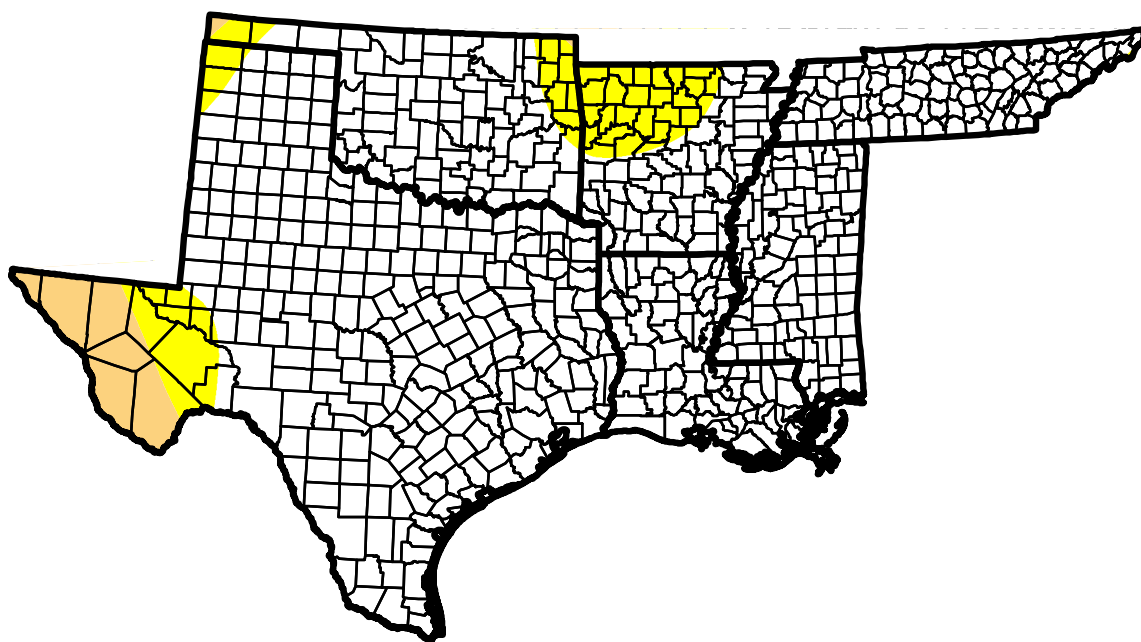
## South

**December 10, 2002**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	88.10	7.88	4.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12/3/2002</i>	87.43	8.01	4.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>9/10/2002</i>	59.09	25.96	8.84	5.65	0.45	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>1/1/2002</i>	65.47	8.50	14.35	6.05	5.64	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10/1/2002</i>	51.12	34.27	11.20	3.41	0.00	0.00
<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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