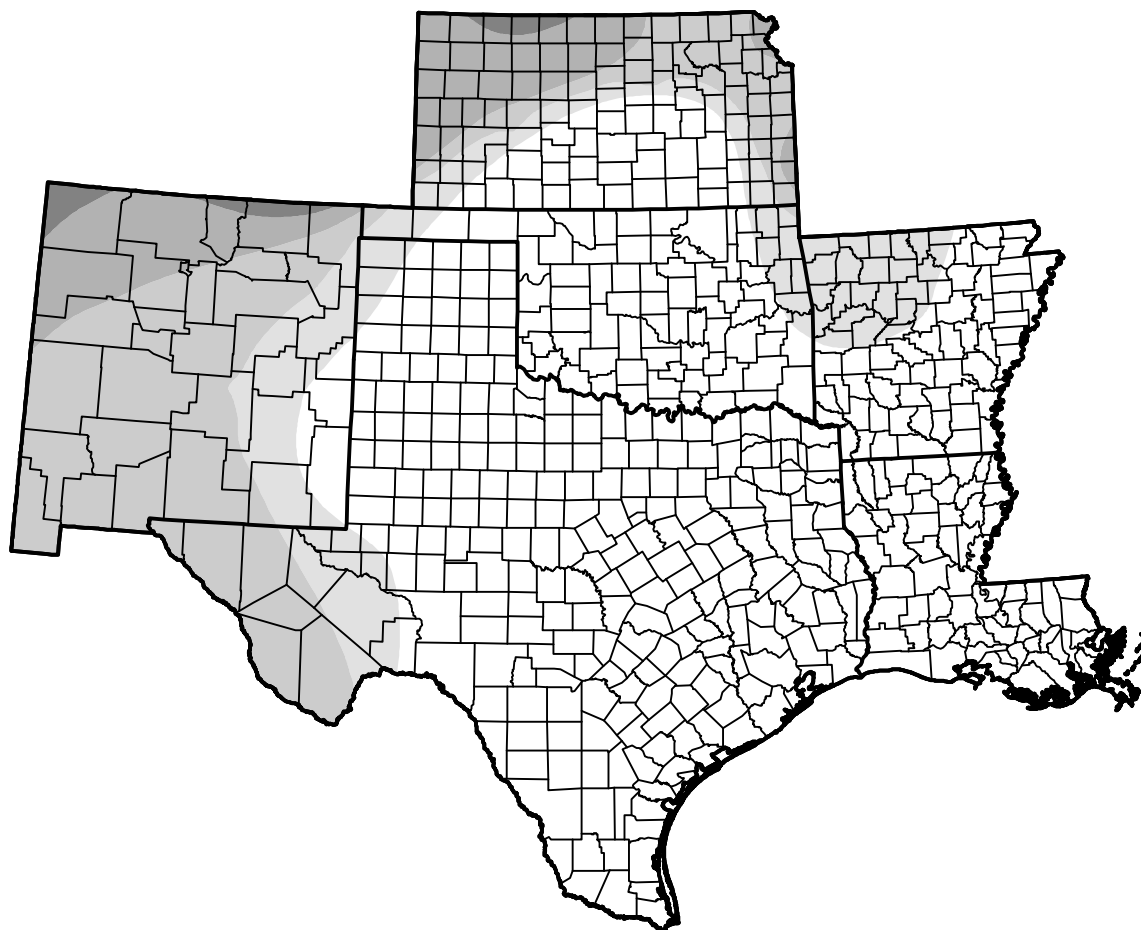


U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	64.24	10.70	17.07	7.15	0.85	0.00
Last Week <i>12-10-2002</i>	64.00	11.15	16.88	7.04	0.92	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2002</i>	43.77	21.64	19.91	8.62	3.74	2.33
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	45.73	16.77	24.95	7.61	4.95	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	30.58	31.32	23.73	9.35	4.28	0.74
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2001</i>	48.36	15.20	25.59	6.00	4.86	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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