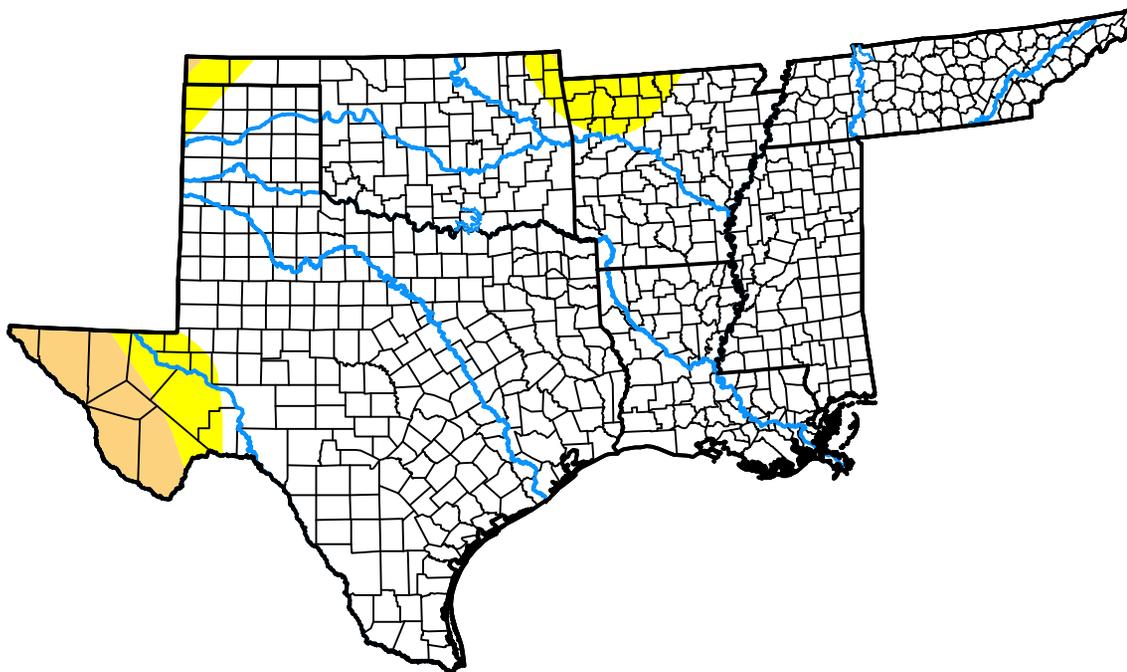


U.S. Drought Monitor South

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	90.71	9.29	3.97	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-24-2002</i>	88.51	11.49	4.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-01-2002</i>	51.12	48.88	14.61	3.41	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	65.47	34.53	26.04	11.69	5.64	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	51.12	48.88	14.61	3.41	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-01-2002</i>	65.47	34.53	26.04	11.69	5.64	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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