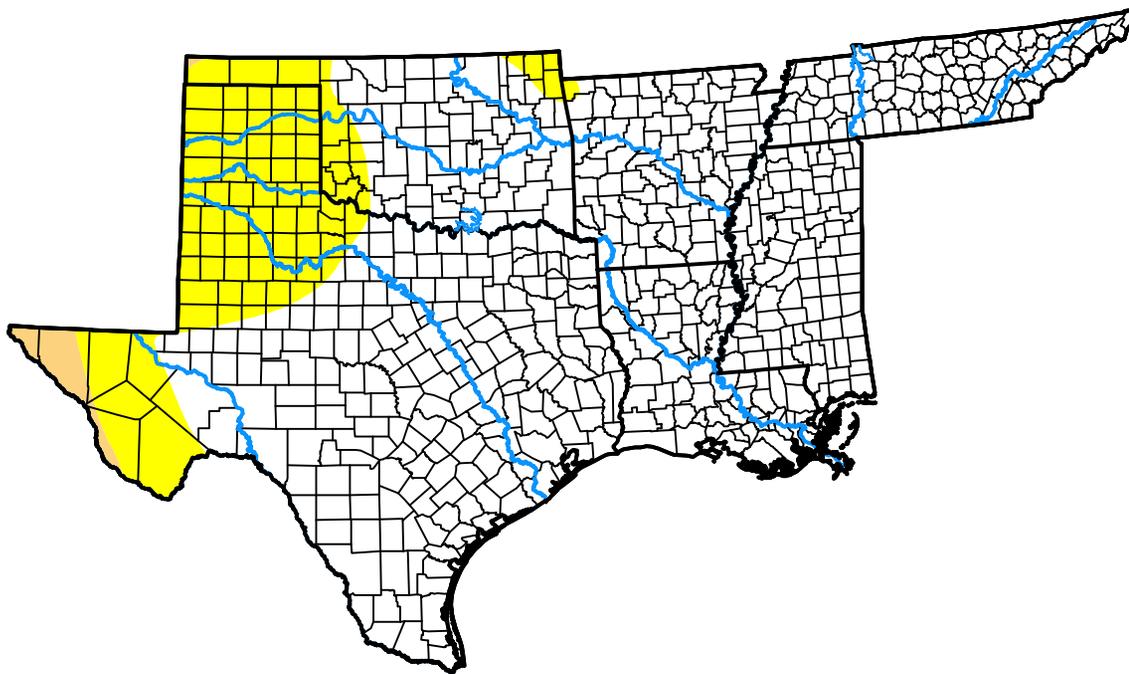


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## South

**March 18, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	81.74	18.26	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-11-2003</i>	81.57	18.43	1.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-17-2002</i>	88.46	11.54	4.16	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	90.71	9.29	3.97	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	51.12	48.88	14.61	3.41	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-19-2002</i>	56.27	43.73	22.82	10.43	1.96	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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