

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

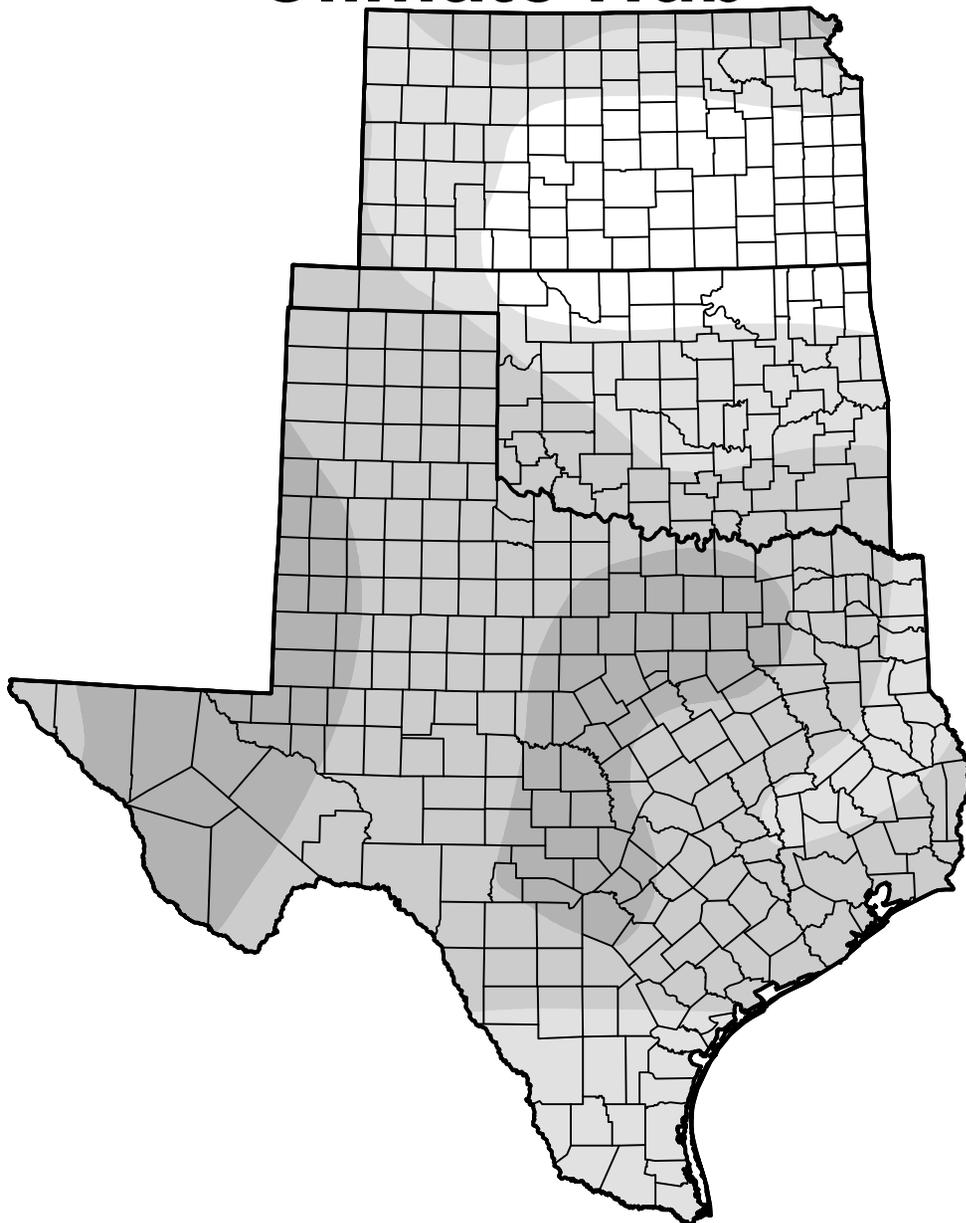
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	12.73	23.23	45.01	19.03	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-13-2003</i>	12.90	31.62	55.30	0.17	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-18-2003</i>	74.68	10.52	8.05	6.42	0.34	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	77.20	7.32	9.18	5.74	0.57	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.52	41.28	15.06	9.88	3.28	0.98
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-21-2002</i>	34.97	14.84	25.20	14.43	10.56	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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