

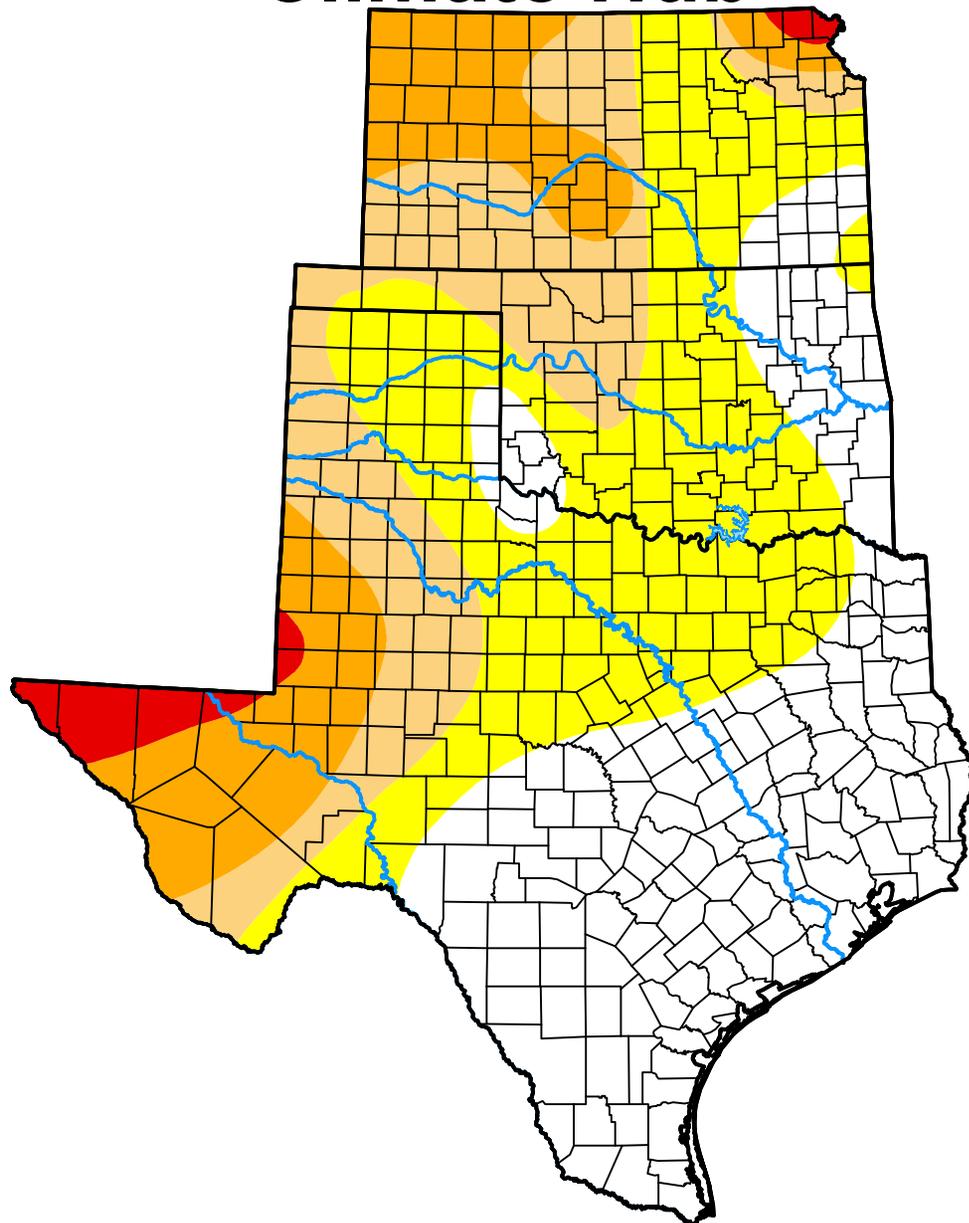
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

**September 23, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	36.07	63.93	33.45	15.40	2.30	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-16-2003</i>	36.48	63.52	33.34	15.58	2.28	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>06-24-2003</i>	38.73	61.27	26.55	8.37	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	77.20	22.80	15.49	6.31	0.57	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.52	70.48	29.20	14.14	4.26	0.98
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>09-24-2002</i>	60.55	39.45	23.61	10.05	2.69	0.53



***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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