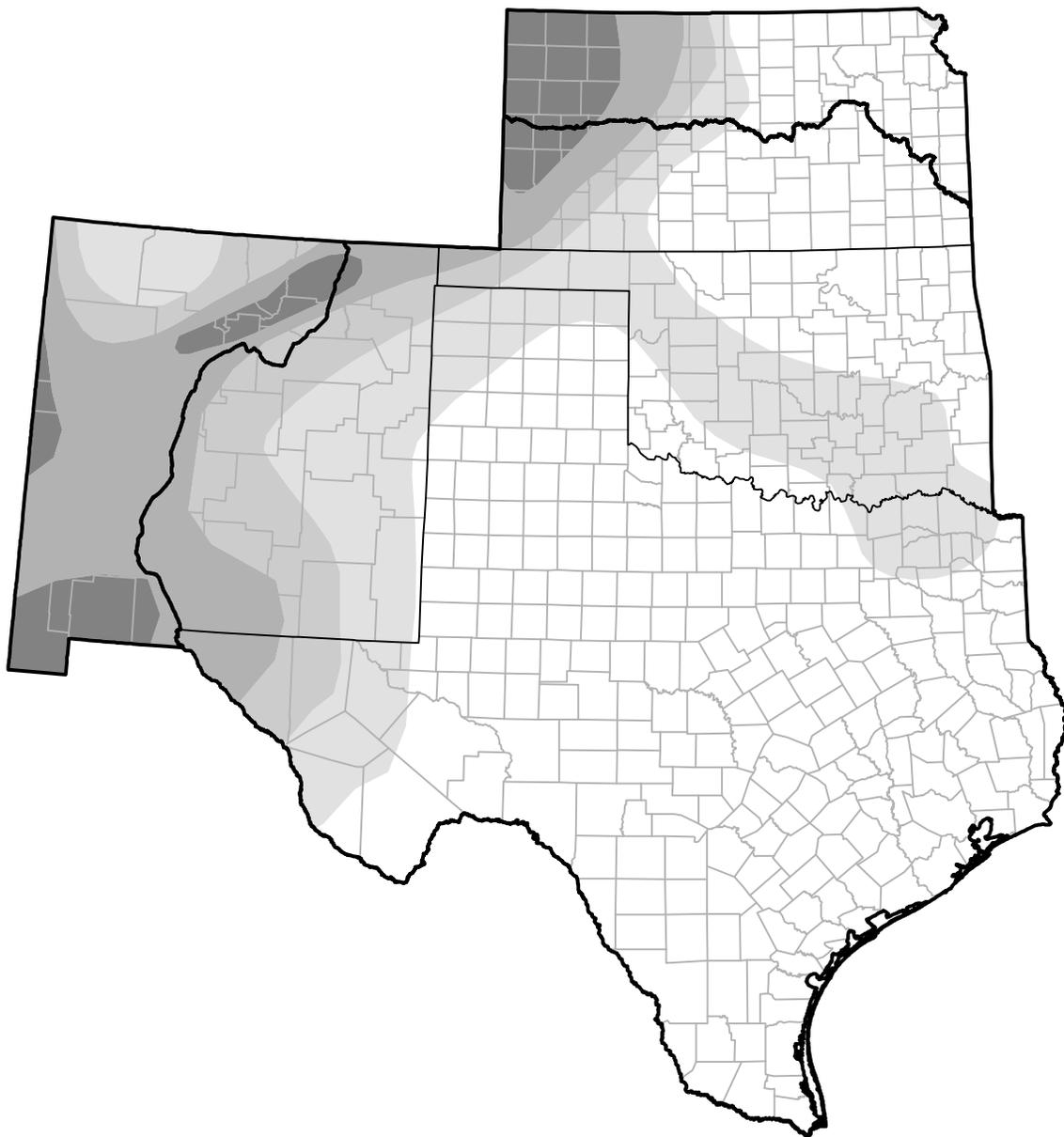


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	58.34	41.66	22.11	13.60	3.11	0.00
Last Week <i>05-13-2004</i>	61.89	38.11	22.11	13.60	3.11	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-19-2004</i>	38.79	61.21	50.04	37.96	28.56	10.25
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	31.46	68.54	52.74	40.71	25.50	6.09
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	37.43	62.57	40.59	32.21	21.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-22-2003</i>	2.99	97.01	81.96	35.40	6.19	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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