

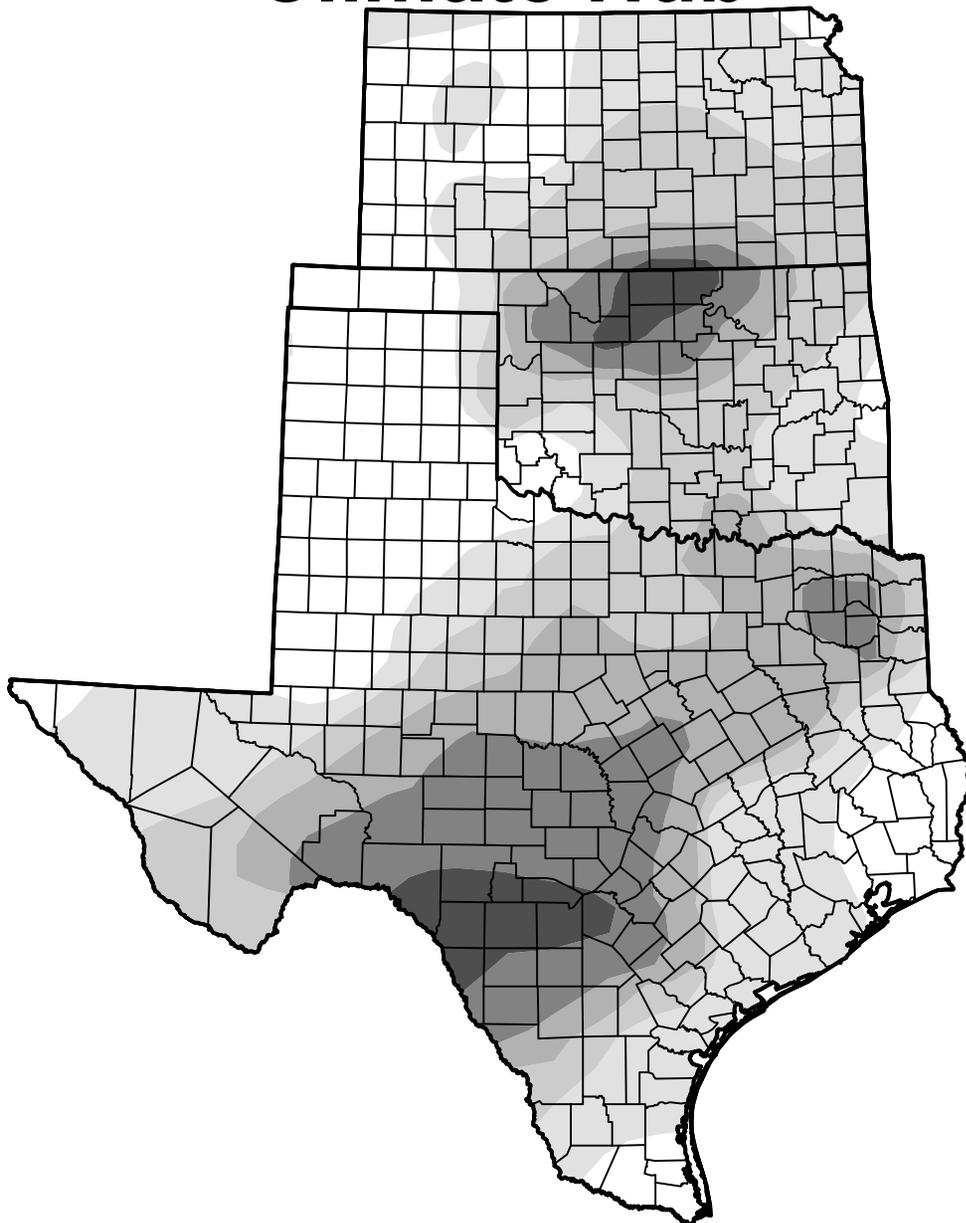
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

**December 26, 2006**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	22.51	25.75	20.58	15.78	11.94	3.44
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-19-2006</i>	15.52	28.66	21.26	17.71	12.45	4.40
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-26-2006</i>	21.53	19.81	23.05	19.95	14.62	1.04
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	20.23	26.13	21.99	16.23	11.83	3.59
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-26-2006</i>	21.53	19.81	23.05	19.95	14.62	1.04
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-27-2005</i>	22.40	26.64	20.54	16.61	10.76	3.05



***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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