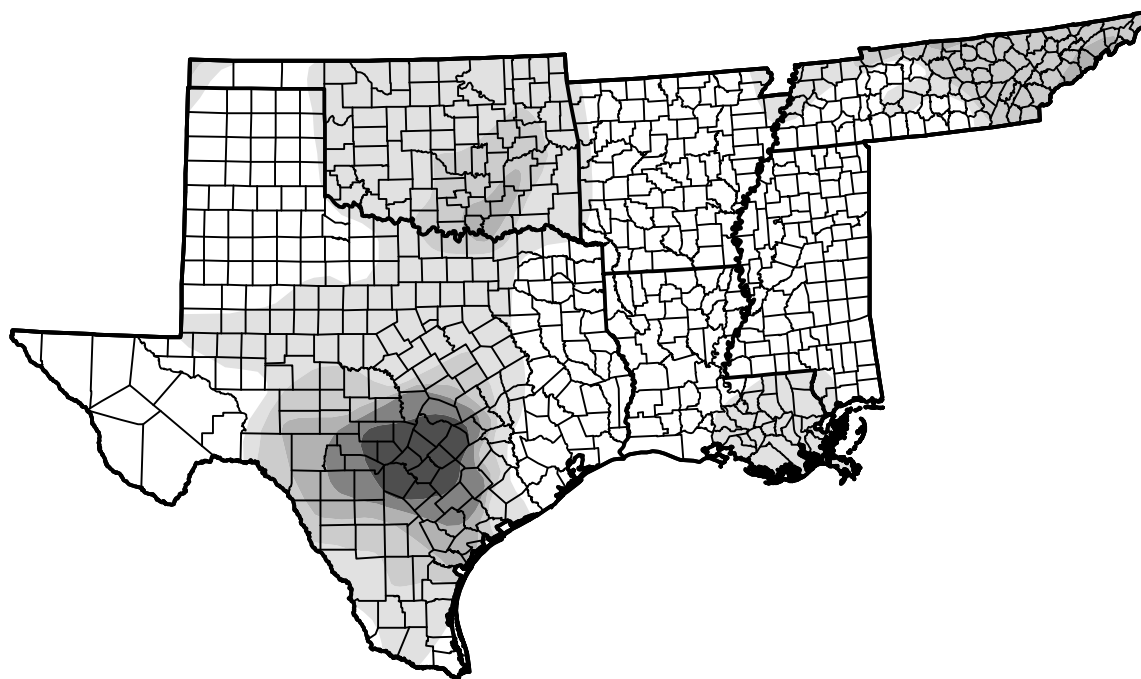


U.S. Drought Monitor

South

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.84	48.16	19.45	8.59	4.58	2.10
Last Week <i>12-16-2008</i>	58.46	41.54	19.45	8.94	4.58	2.10
3 Months Ago <i>09-23-2008</i>	75.59	24.41	17.08	8.95	2.44	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	57.46	42.54	12.89	4.32	3.76	1.60
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.05	26.95	17.21	9.99	2.93	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-25-2007</i>	63.79	36.21	8.97	4.32	3.76	1.66

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate 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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