

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

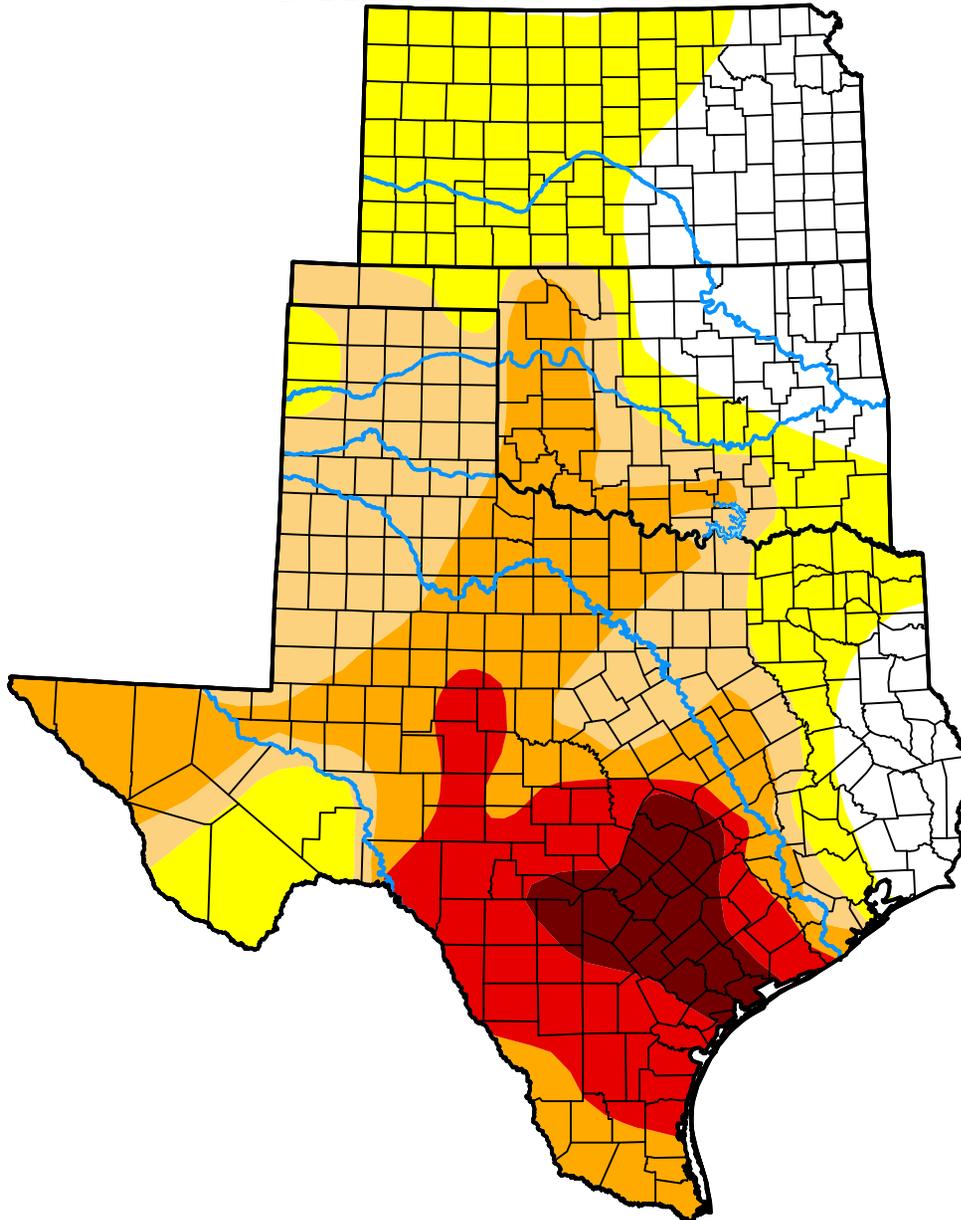
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	17.46	82.54	57.65	37.47	15.65	4.50
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-31-2009</i>	17.89	82.11	60.53	35.70	15.65	4.50
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-06-2009</i>	52.06	47.94	17.73	10.08	5.76	2.64
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	43.88	17.73	10.08	5.76	2.64
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	26.82	15.22	6.84	2.31	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-08-2008</i>	43.96	56.04	35.88	8.83	6.32	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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