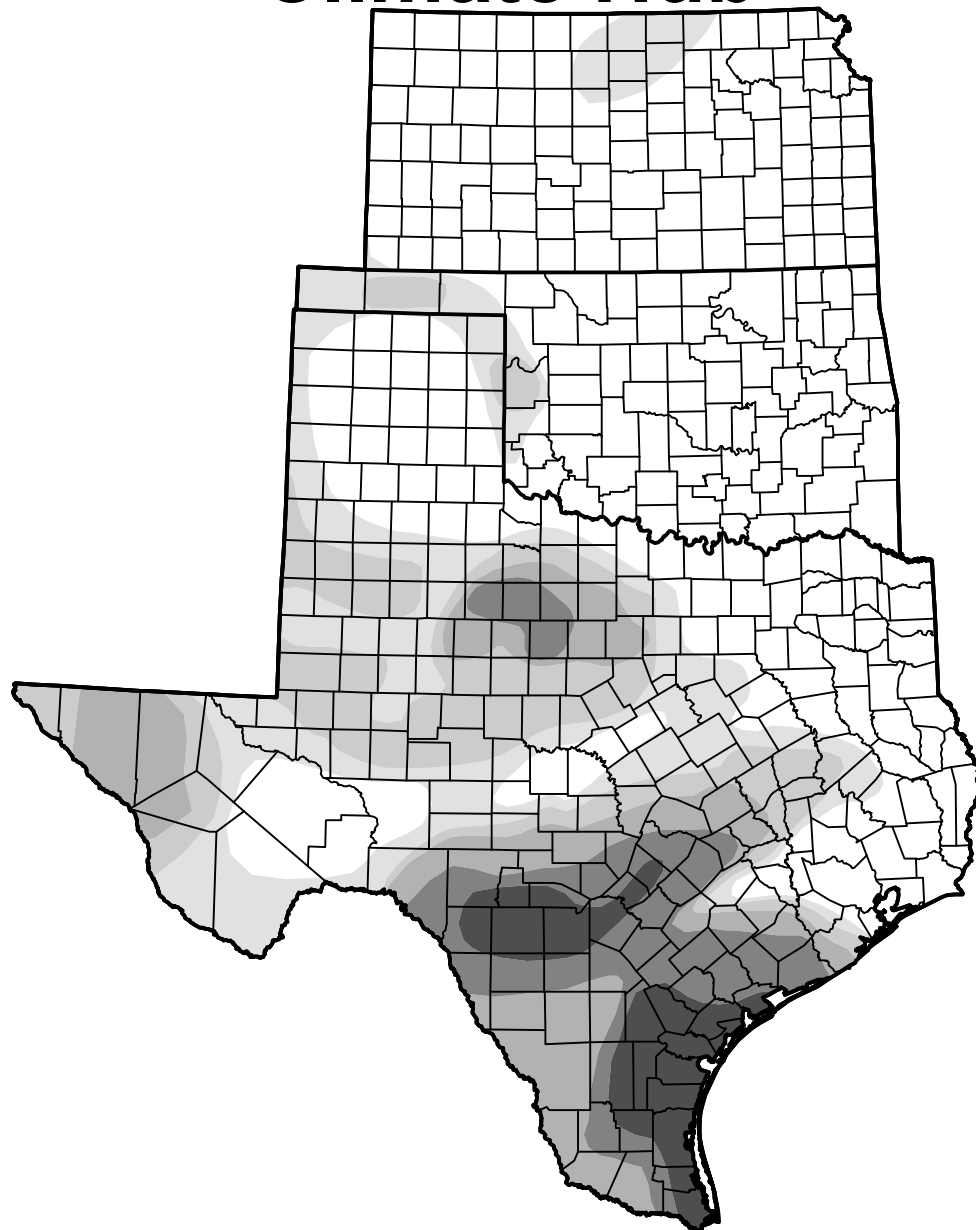


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## 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>	54.20	45.80	30.98	20.05	11.03	4.27
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-19-2009</i>	54.00	46.00	33.15	23.05	13.00	5.40
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-24-2009</i>	23.84	76.16	52.78	29.39	12.67	5.44
<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>05-27-2008</i>	56.69	43.31	32.27	17.96	2.42	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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