

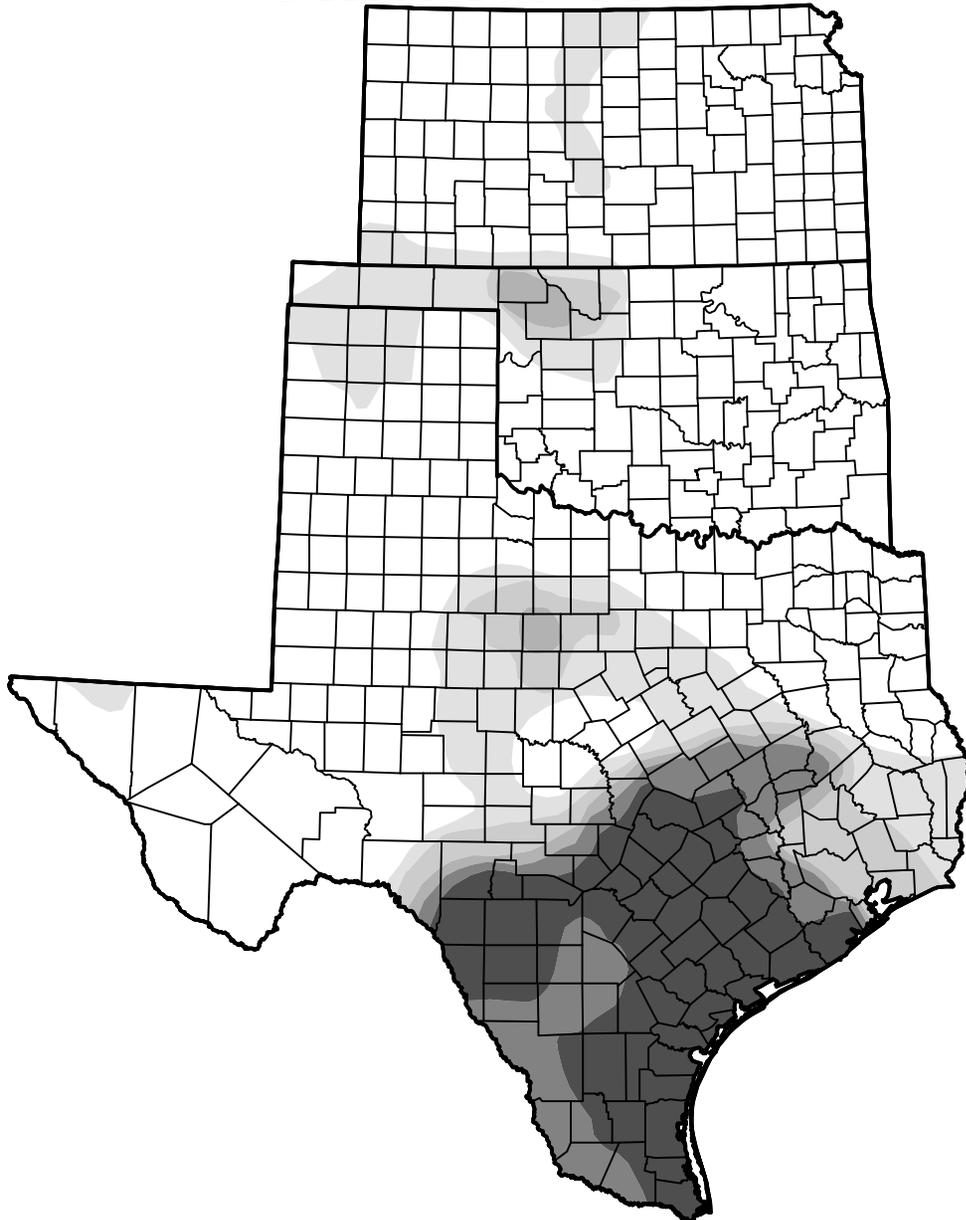
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## 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>	62.85	37.15	23.46	18.83	16.97	11.51
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-11-2009</i>	61.97	38.03	23.42	18.93	16.90	10.69
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-19-2009</i>	54.00	46.00	33.15	23.05	13.00	5.40
<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>08-19-2008</i>	46.93	53.07	28.61	14.49	4.63	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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