

# 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>	22.41	77.59	63.27	40.89	26.14	11.96
<b>Last Week</b> 03-13-2012	13.95	86.05	72.15	50.37	29.76	13.62
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 12-20-2011	9.11	90.89	85.03	67.38	51.19	25.55
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-03-2012	10.87	89.13	84.64	66.92	49.90	21.26
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-27-2011	3.23	96.77	93.30	89.37	80.26	69.08
<b>One Year Ago</b> 03-22-2011	5.07	94.93	79.78	51.75	19.88	0.00

### 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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