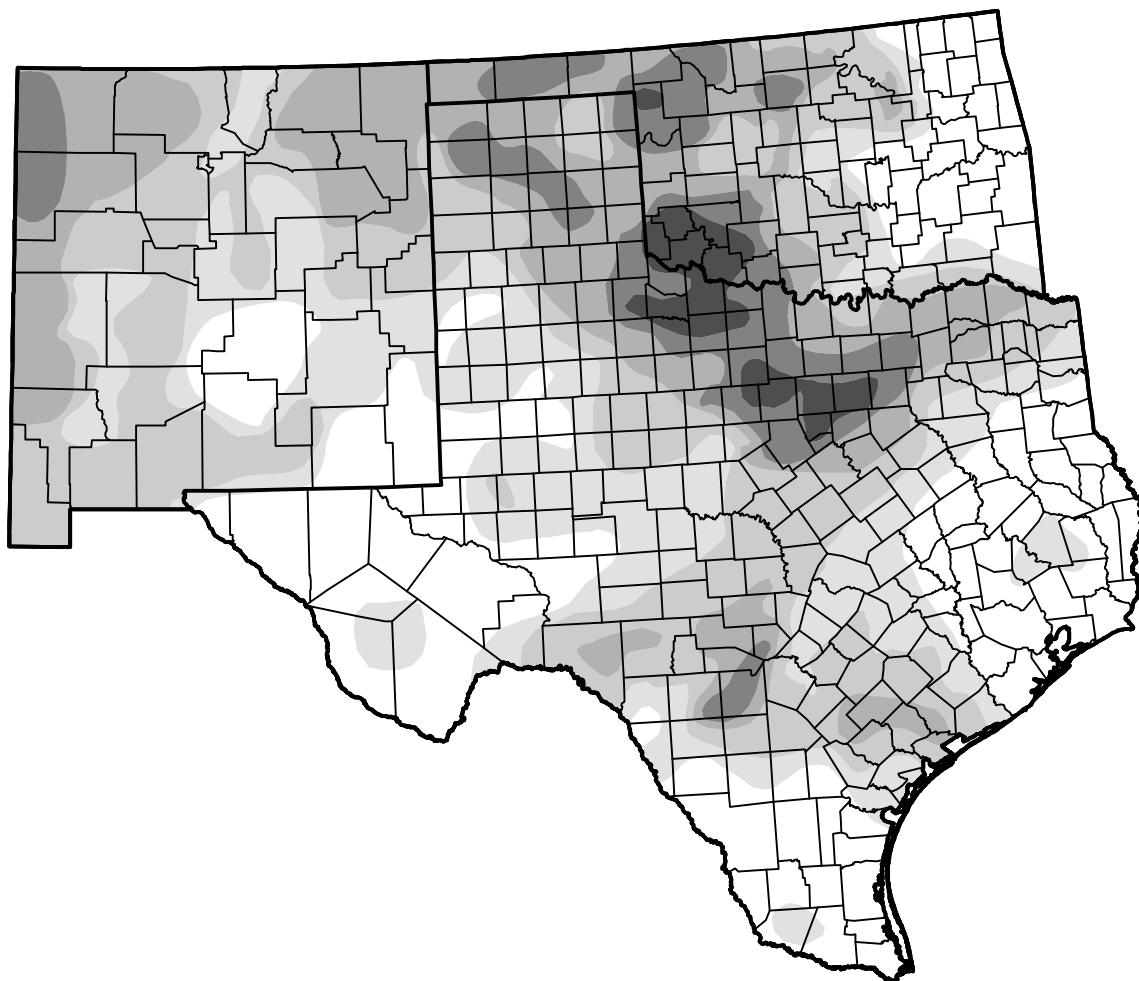


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	26.75	73.25	52.25	27.60	10.14	2.37
Last Week <i>12-09-2014</i>	26.47	73.53	51.98	27.54	10.14	2.37
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2014</i>	13.88	86.12	61.74	37.32	11.25	1.39
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2013</i>	24.42	75.58	51.33	23.89	5.17	0.82
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	22.55	77.45	56.30	34.05	11.89	2.28
One Year Ago <i>12-17-2013</i>	22.54	77.46	53.57	25.78	5.71	1.05

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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