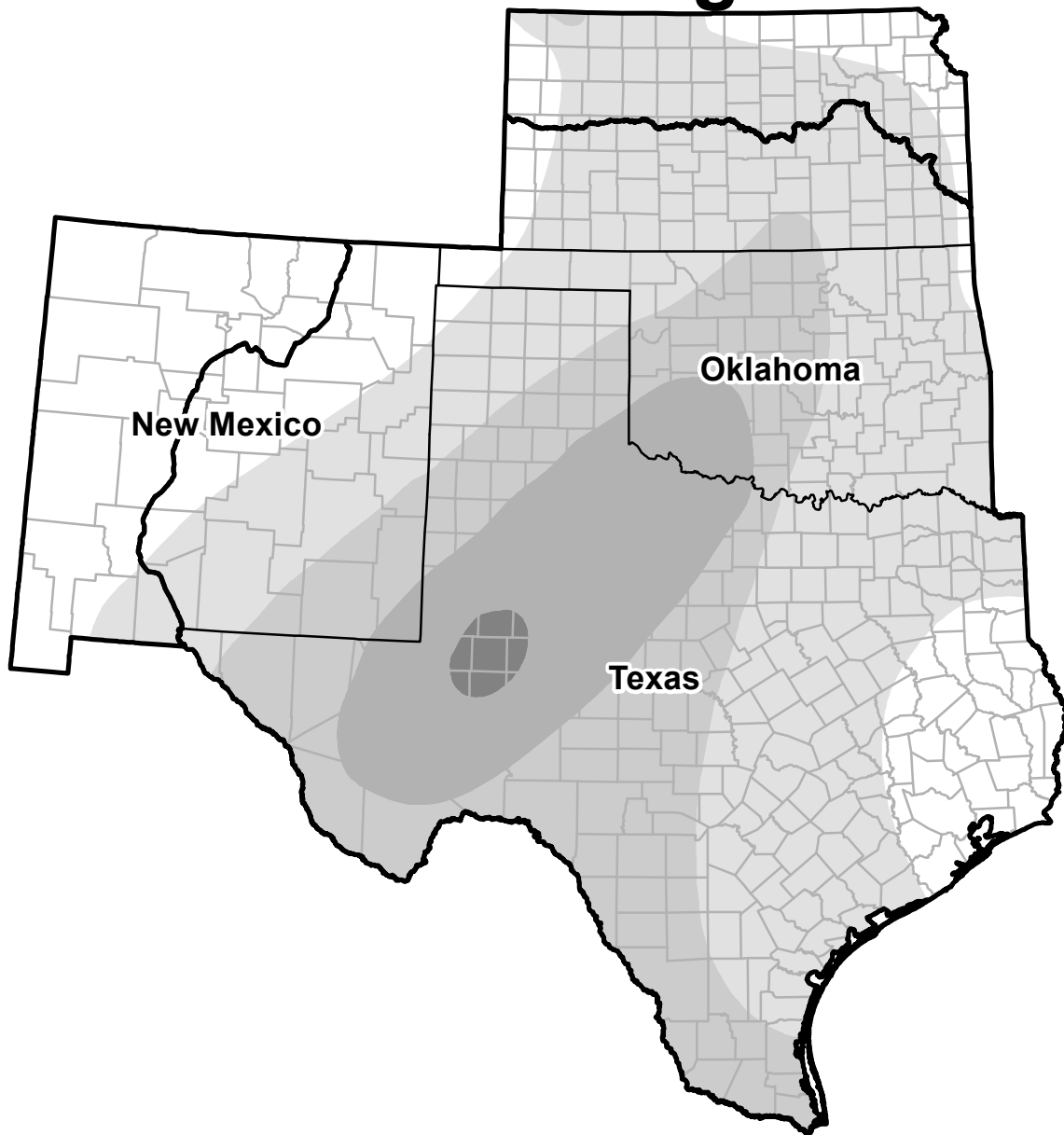


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	24.03	75.97	34.98	12.91	0.72	0.00
Last Week <i>07-17-2001</i>	36.30	63.70	25.88	9.78	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>04-24-2001</i>	80.01	19.99	6.61	0.98	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2001</i>	68.44	31.56	10.70	1.69	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2000</i>	4.67	95.33	83.38	60.98	7.91	0.00
One Year Ago <i>07-25-2000</i>	42.82	57.18	19.74	3.27	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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