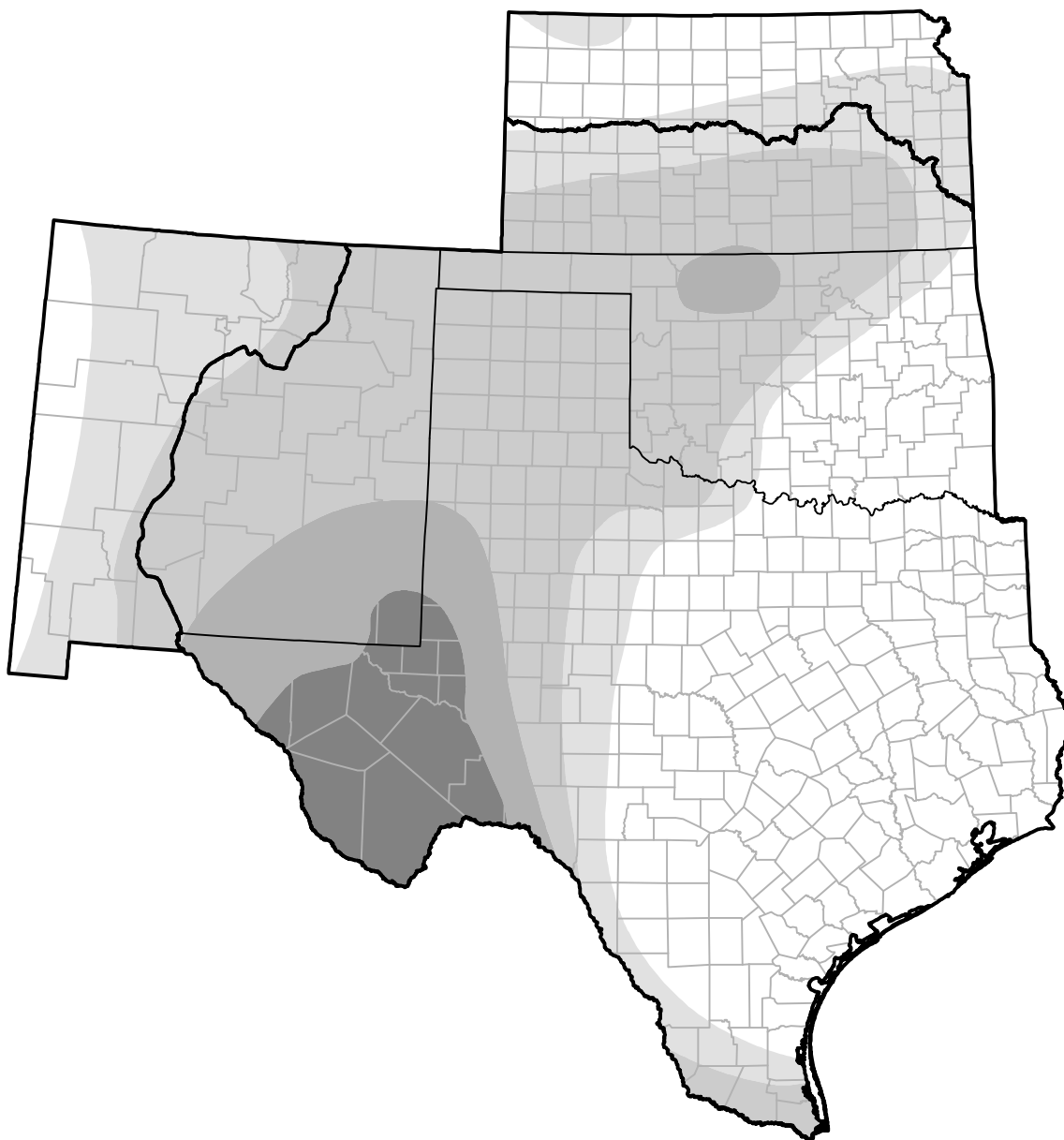


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	40.04	59.96	45.02	15.14	6.80	0.00
Last Week <i>12-13-2001</i>	39.14	60.86	46.03	14.25	7.17	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2001</i>	43.18	56.82	30.07	10.67	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2001</i>	68.19	31.81	10.31	0.97	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2001</i>	46.30	53.70	28.31	10.67	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2000</i>	65.84	34.16	12.07	0.97	0.00	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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