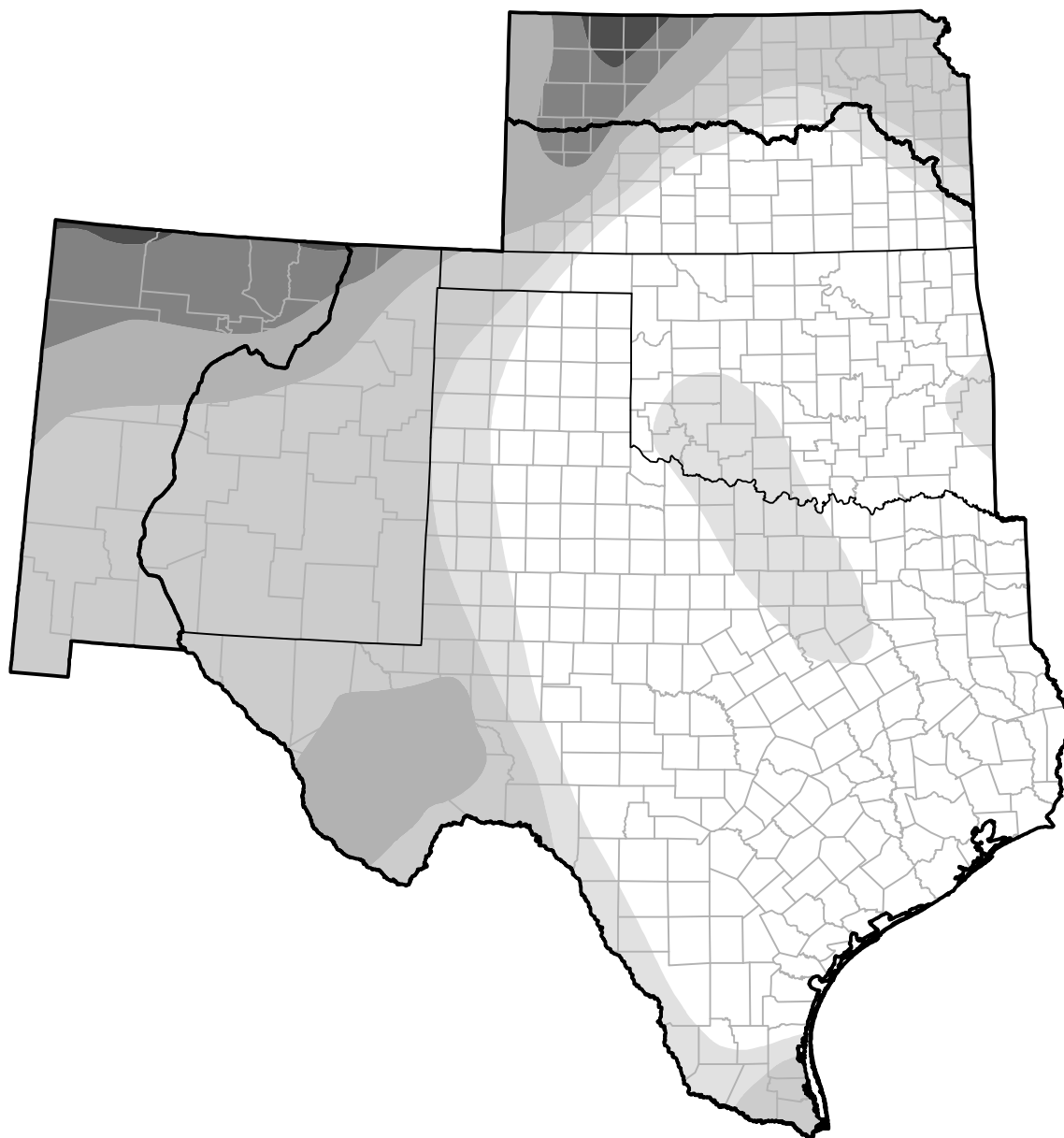


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**September 24, 2002**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 49.85 | 50.15 | 37.94 | 13.06 | 4.68  | 0.29 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-19-2002</i>              | 46.58 | 53.42 | 38.11 | 15.29 | 5.99  | 2.78 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-27-2002</i>           | 29.40 | 70.60 | 56.46 | 43.46 | 28.78 | 5.67 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2002</i> | 38.02 | 61.98 | 44.37 | 17.45 | 6.93  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2001</i>    | 46.30 | 53.70 | 28.31 | 10.67 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-27-2001</i>           | 46.30 | 53.70 | 28.31 | 10.67 | 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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