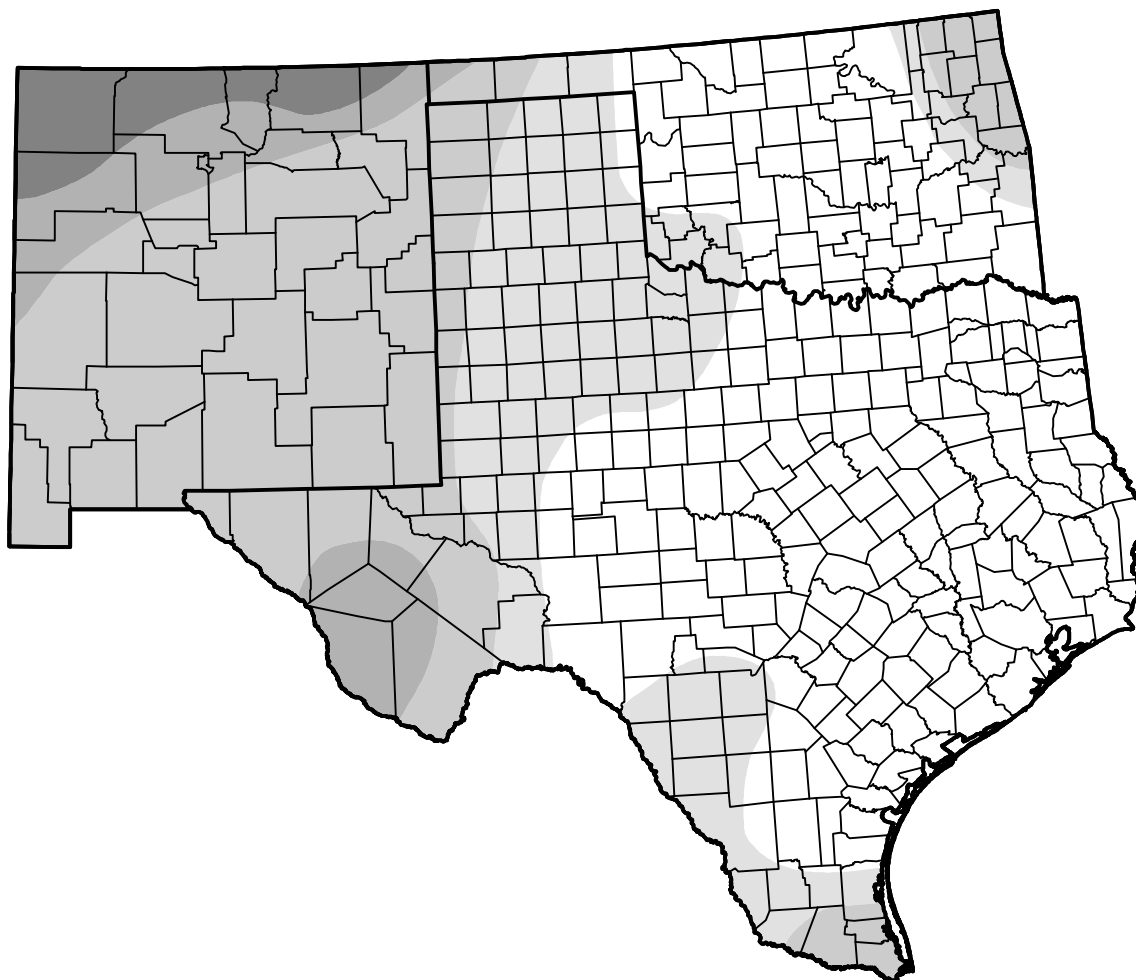


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	44.18	17.30	28.52	6.55	3.45	0.00
Last Week <i>10-08-2002</i>	32.00	28.29	29.69	6.61	3.39	0.02
3 Months Ago <i>07-16-2002</i>	50.76	5.41	12.51	7.22	17.78	6.32
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	38.02	17.61	26.92	10.52	6.93	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	26.44	32.07	30.68	7.66	3.00	0.14
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2001</i>	46.29	26.02	15.51	12.17	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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