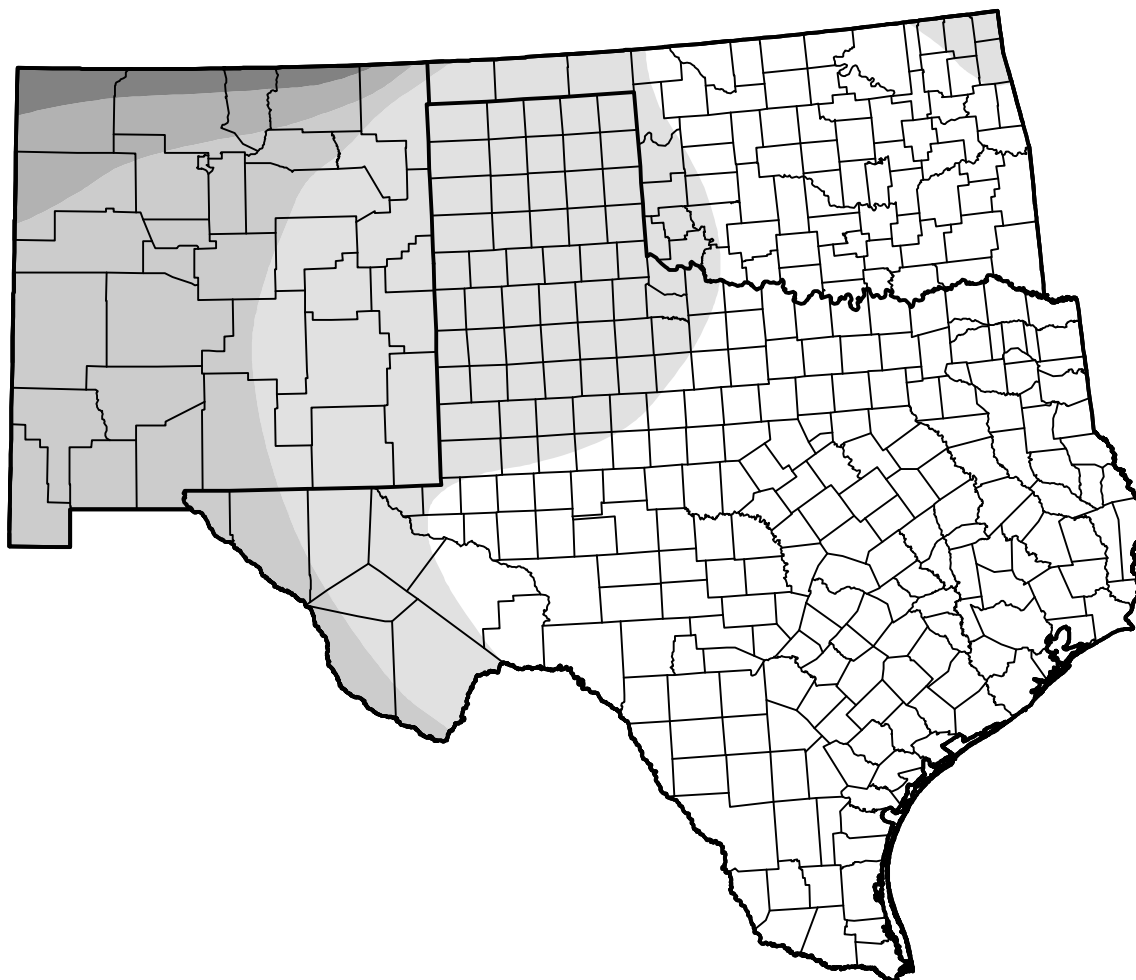


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.31	47.69	20.15	4.44	1.33	0.00
Last Week <i>03-04-2003</i>	68.64	31.36	20.06	4.54	1.29	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-10-2002</i>	65.38	34.62	25.14	5.89	0.81	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	66.97	33.03	23.46	4.08	0.82	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	26.44	73.56	41.48	10.80	3.14	0.14
One Year Ago <i>03-12-2002</i>	22.06	77.94	52.84	14.60	2.24	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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