

U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

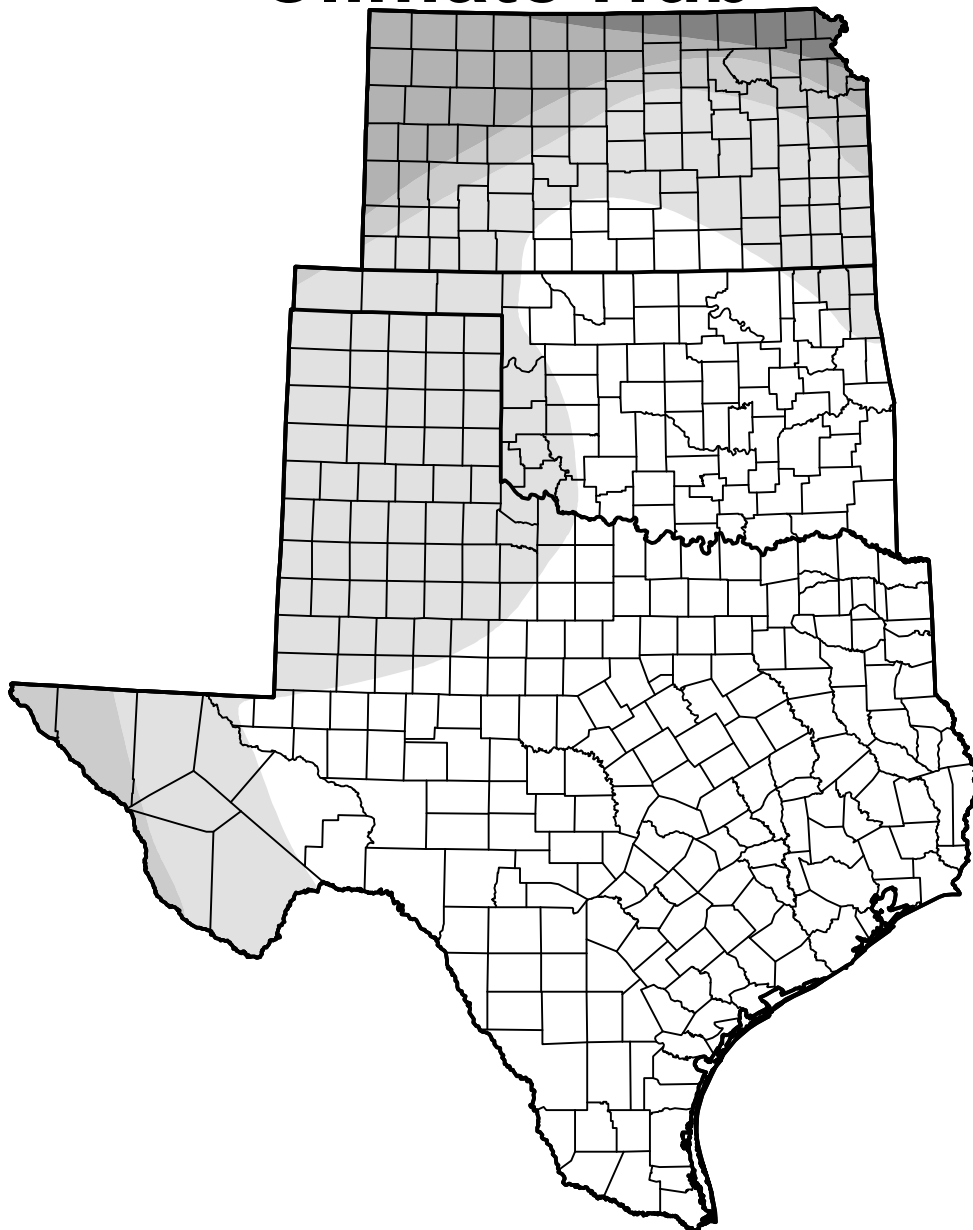
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	59.45	29.31	4.41	5.57	1.26	0.00
Last Week <i>03-11-2003</i>	59.30	28.74	5.11	5.51	1.34	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-17-2002</i>	76.14	8.12	9.98	5.35	0.40	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	77.20	7.32	9.18	5.74	0.57	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.52	41.28	15.06	9.88	3.28	0.98
One Year Ago <i>03-19-2002</i>	33.65	33.62	17.24	13.03	2.47	0.00



Intensity:

-  None
-  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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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