

U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	59.45	40.55	11.24	6.84	1.26	0.00
Last Week <i>03-11-2003</i>	59.30	40.70	11.96	6.85	1.34	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-17-2002</i>	76.14	23.86	15.74	5.75	0.40	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	77.20	22.80	15.49	6.31	0.57	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.52	70.48	29.20	14.14	4.26	0.98
One Year Ago <i>03-19-2002</i>	33.65	66.35	32.74	15.50	2.47	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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