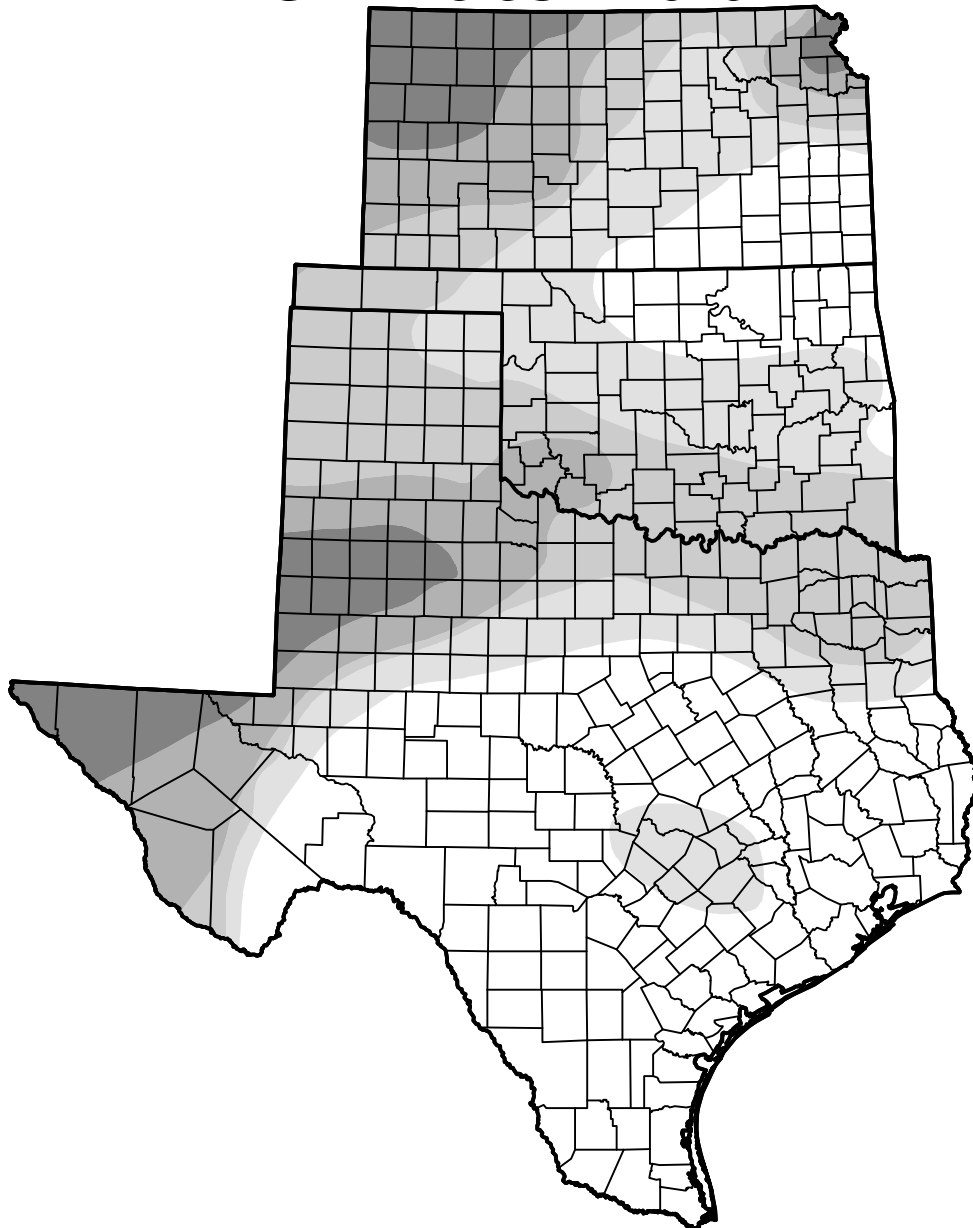


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	40.38	59.62	40.10	19.94	7.82	0.00
Last Week <i>12-02-2003</i>	42.87	57.13	38.36	18.38	7.49	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2003</i>	24.00	76.00	50.51	21.39	1.46	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>09-30-2003</i>	42.24	57.76	28.09	13.71	2.15	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-10-2002</i>	76.18	23.82	15.60	5.76	0.52	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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