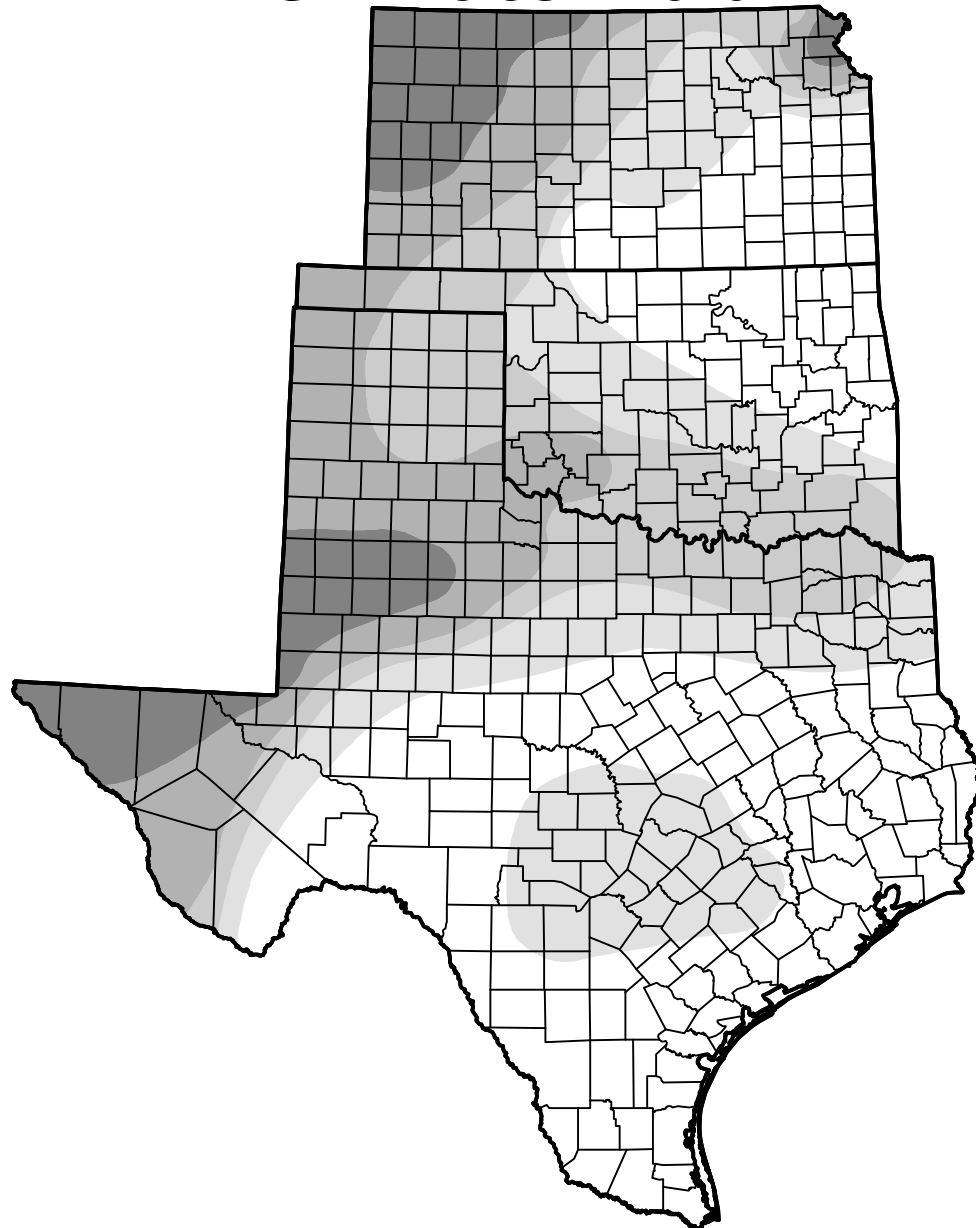


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	39.59	20.77	16.54	14.38	8.72	0.00
Last Week <i>12-23-2003</i>	38.76	21.44	20.23	11.45	8.11	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-30-2003</i>	42.24	29.68	14.38	11.56	2.15	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>09-30-2003</i>	42.24	29.68	14.38	11.56	2.15	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-31-2002</i>	77.20	7.32	9.18	5.74	0.57	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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