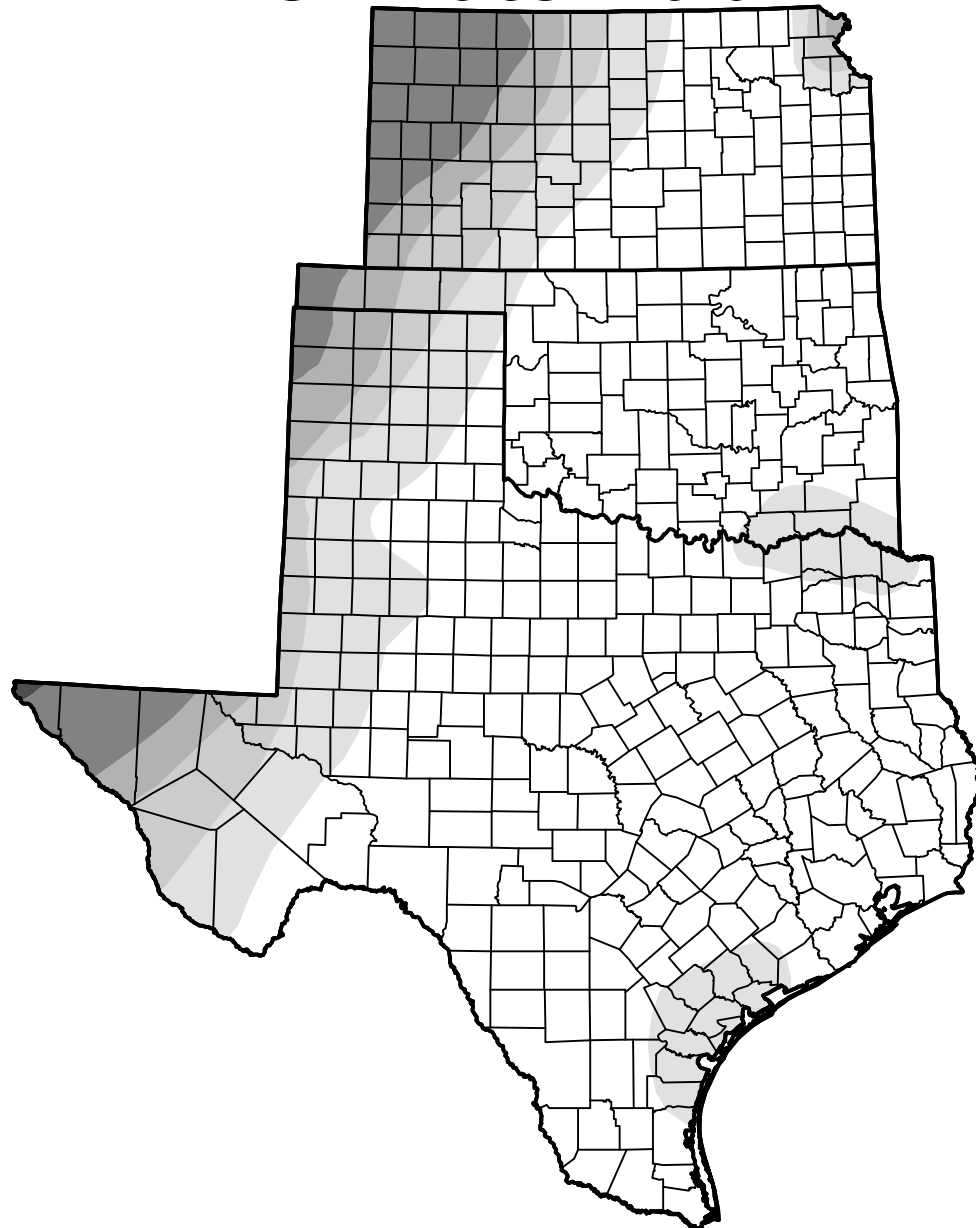


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	68.40	15.42	6.23	4.43	5.46	0.06
Last Week <i>03-09-2004</i>	67.19	13.92	7.30	6.08	5.46	0.06
3 Months Ago <i>12-16-2003</i>	42.38	18.35	19.60	11.87	7.79	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	39.59	20.77	16.54	14.38	8.72	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>03-18-2003</i>	59.45	29.31	4.41	5.57	1.26	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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