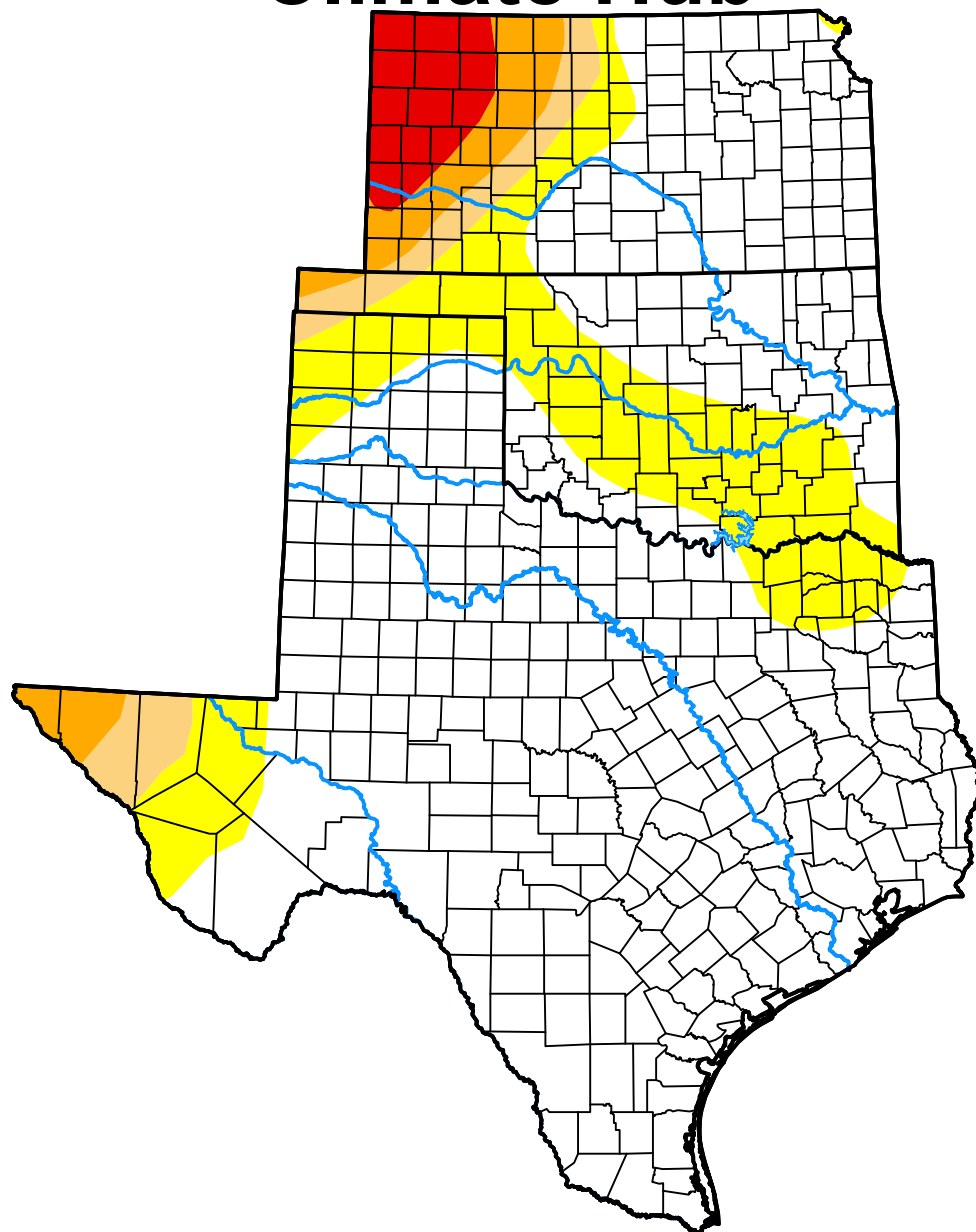


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	74.53	25.47	9.44	6.21	2.97	0.00
Last Week <i>05-11-2004</i>	77.45	22.55	9.44	6.21	2.97	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-17-2004</i>	48.21	51.79	36.72	20.54	8.20	0.62
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	39.59	60.41	39.64	23.10	8.72	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>05-20-2003</i>	12.73	87.27	64.04	19.03	0.00	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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