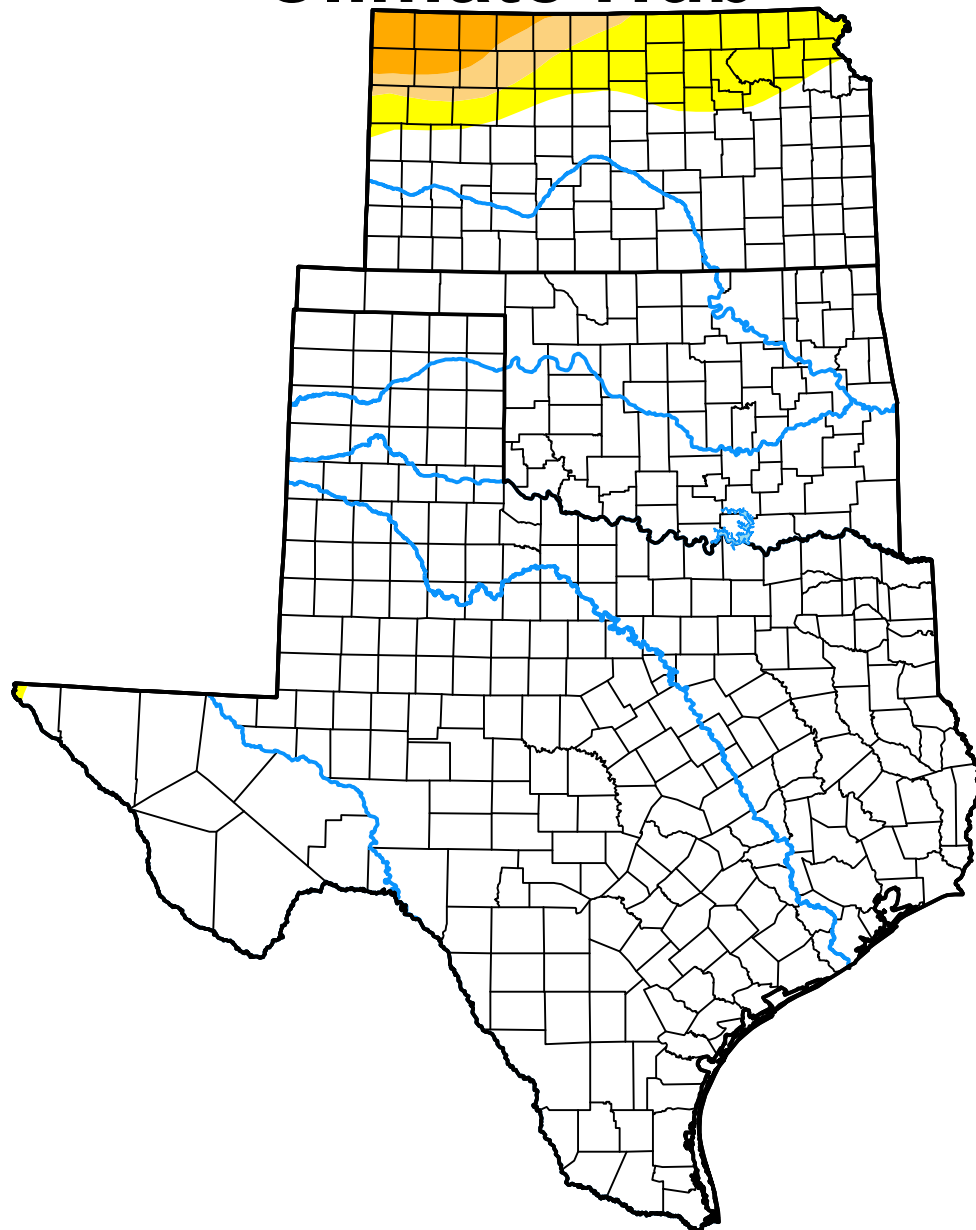


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	93.18	4.36	1.22	1.25	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-14-2004</i>	93.70	3.84	1.25	1.21	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2004</i>	86.57	10.92	0.84	1.67	0.00	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>09-28-2004</i>	94.62	2.87	1.17	1.34	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-23-2003</i>	38.76	21.44	20.23	11.45	8.11	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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