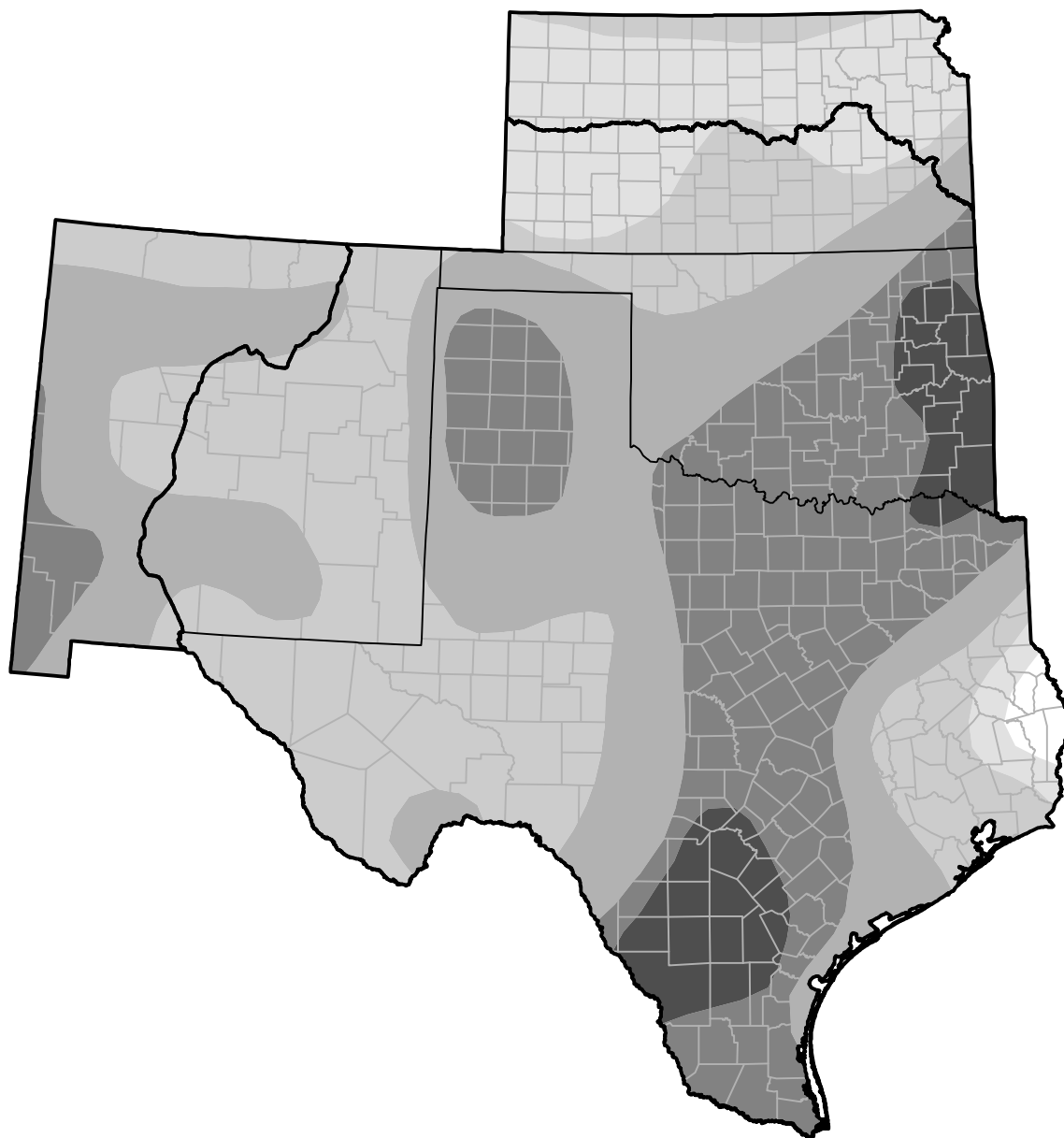


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.75	1.04	30.52	32.80	27.76	7.13
Last Week <i>02-23-2006</i>	0.74	1.29	32.85	33.98	27.75	3.40
3 Months Ago <i>12-01-2005</i>	14.12	46.11	20.37	16.19	3.21	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	7.80	37.38	26.09	14.64	10.81	3.28
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	53.54	25.70	17.02	3.74	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-03-2005</i>	83.56	7.94	5.21	2.69	0.60	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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