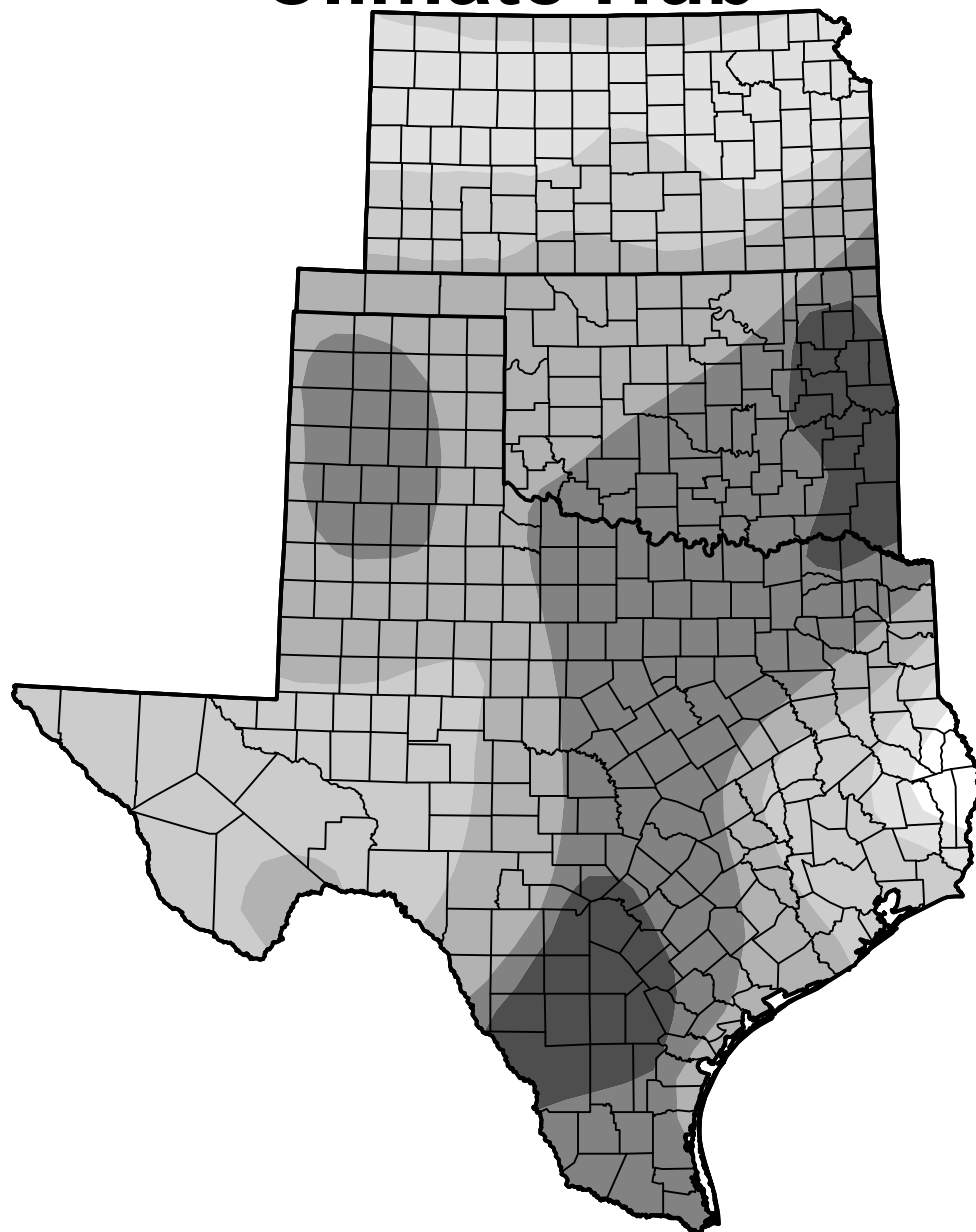


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



**March 7, 2006**

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.79  | 10.85 | 23.49 | 28.30 | 28.76 | 7.80 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-28-2006</i>              | 0.82  | 13.04 | 24.74 | 24.84 | 28.76 | 7.80 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-06-2005</i>           | 27.85 | 23.82 | 25.99 | 17.22 | 5.12  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 20.23 | 26.13 | 21.99 | 16.23 | 11.83 | 3.59 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 65.26 | 18.05 | 12.60 | 4.09  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-08-2005</i>           | 91.54 | 6.33  | 0.66  | 1.47  | 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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