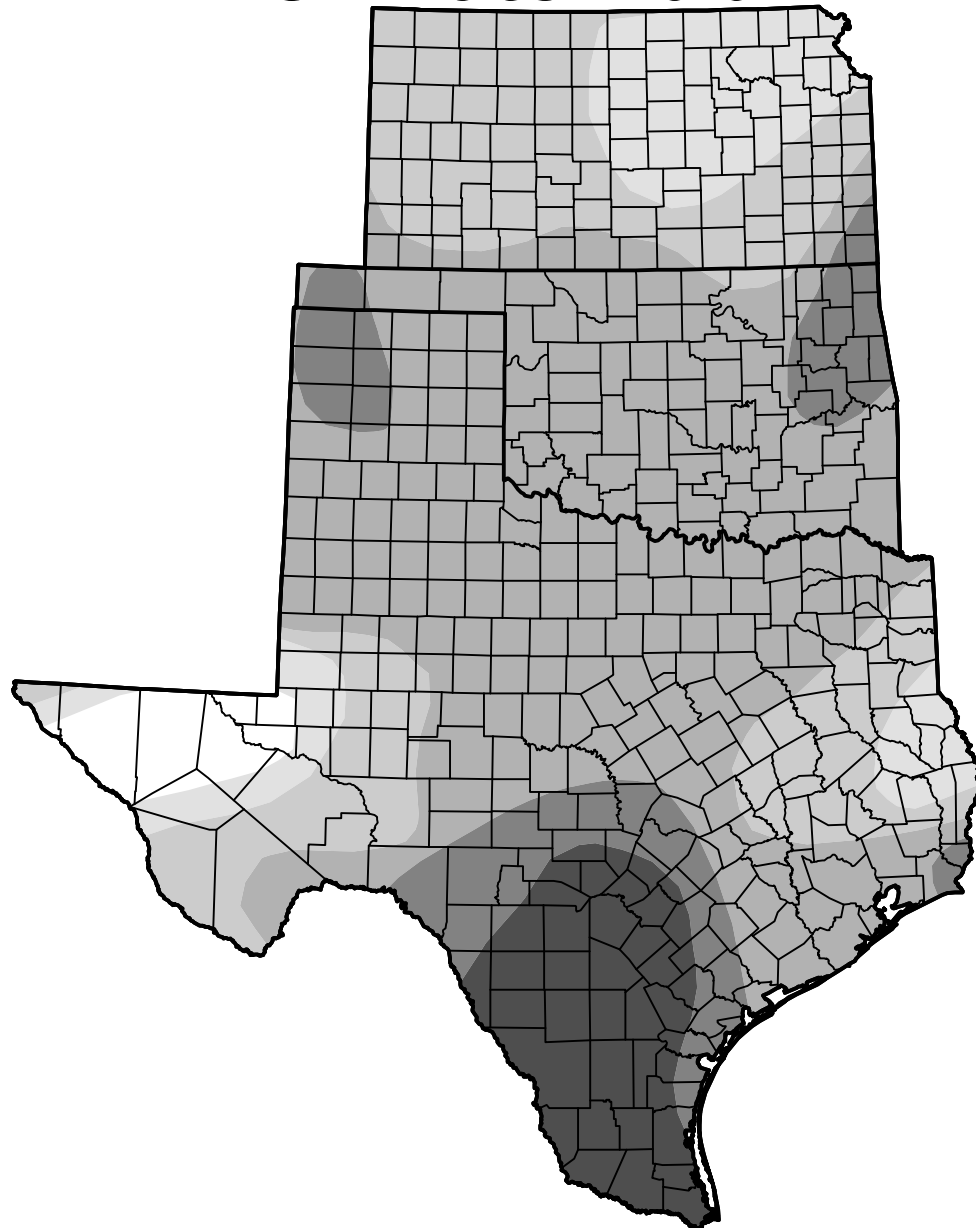


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	3.03	96.97	87.29	65.80	18.91	9.14
Last Week <i>04-11-2006</i>	3.03	96.97	85.96	62.40	13.53	8.07
3 Months Ago <i>01-17-2006</i>	9.51	90.49	58.94	32.28	17.95	4.68
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	20.23	79.77	53.64	31.65	15.42	3.59
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	65.26	34.74	16.69	4.09	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-19-2005</i>	88.37	11.63	4.74	0.46	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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