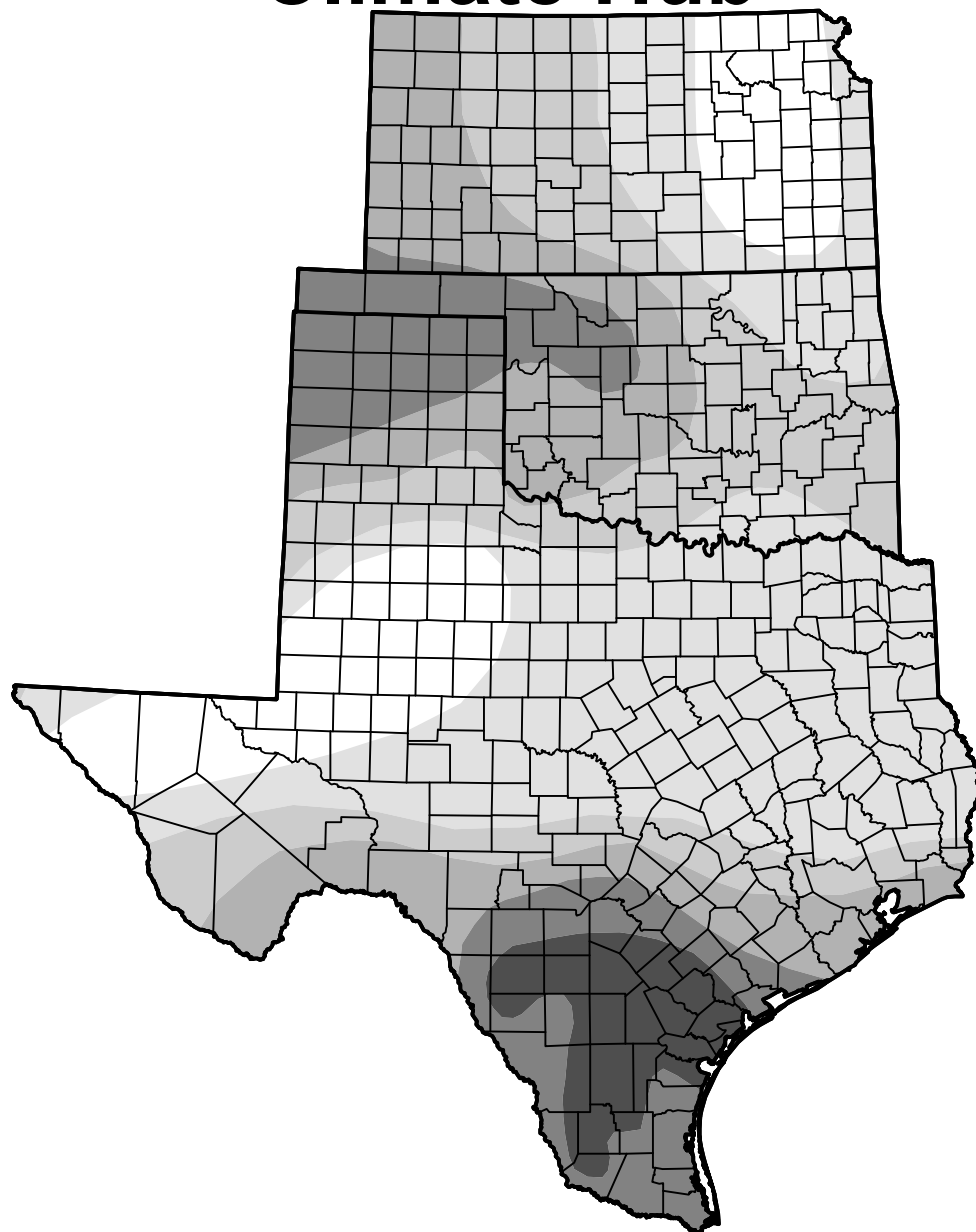


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	13.25	86.75	53.58	34.09	17.19	5.00
Last Week <i>05-09-2006</i>	13.25	86.75	54.40	34.67	18.25	8.01
3 Months Ago <i>02-14-2006</i>	2.72	97.28	81.31	56.59	30.85	3.50
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>05-17-2005</i>	59.40	40.60	14.74	3.45	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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