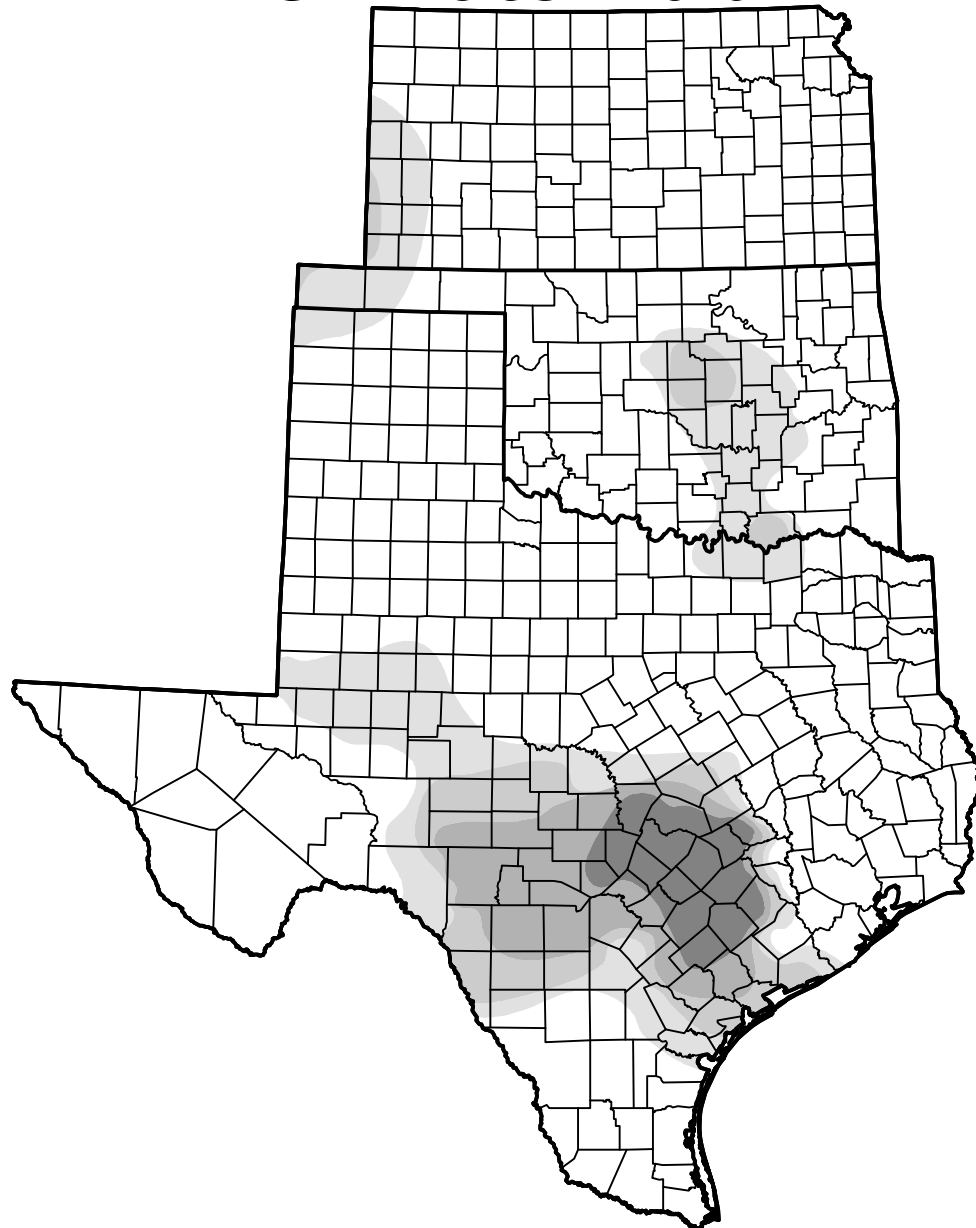


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	76.33	23.67	12.17	7.46	2.86	0.00
Last Week <i>10-14-2008</i>	76.47	23.53	12.26	7.08	2.86	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-22-2008</i>	35.72	64.28	46.16	27.42	15.67	4.26
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	59.82	40.18	9.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	26.82	15.22	6.84	2.31	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-23-2007</i>	92.61	7.39	0.00	0.00	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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