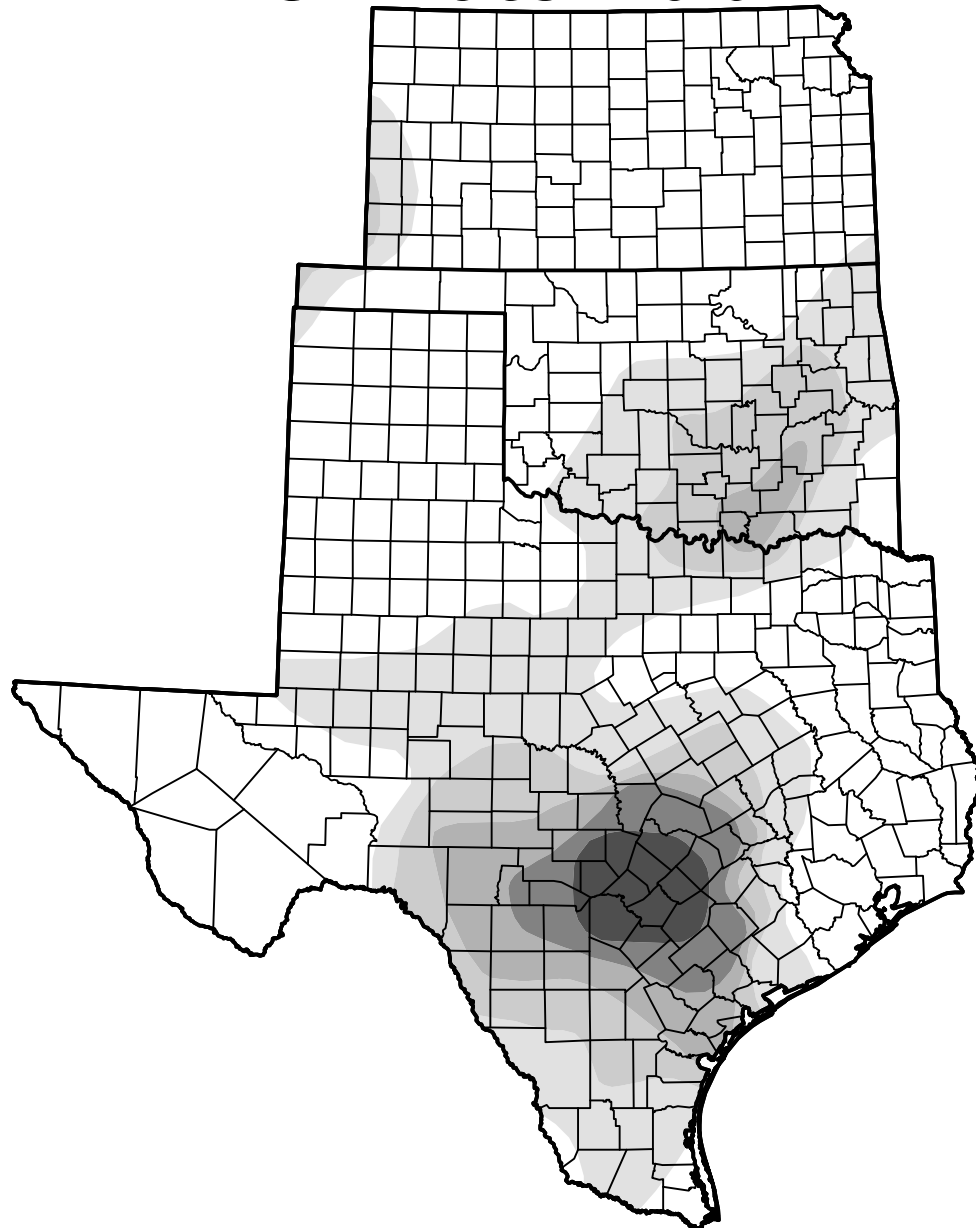


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	59.58	20.69	9.49	5.09	3.12	2.03
Last Week <i>12-02-2008</i>	61.64	21.20	8.12	4.30	3.95	0.79
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2008</i>	63.25	18.28	11.33	5.24	1.90	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	59.82	30.58	9.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	11.60	8.38	4.53	2.31	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2007</i>	53.32	39.24	7.44	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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