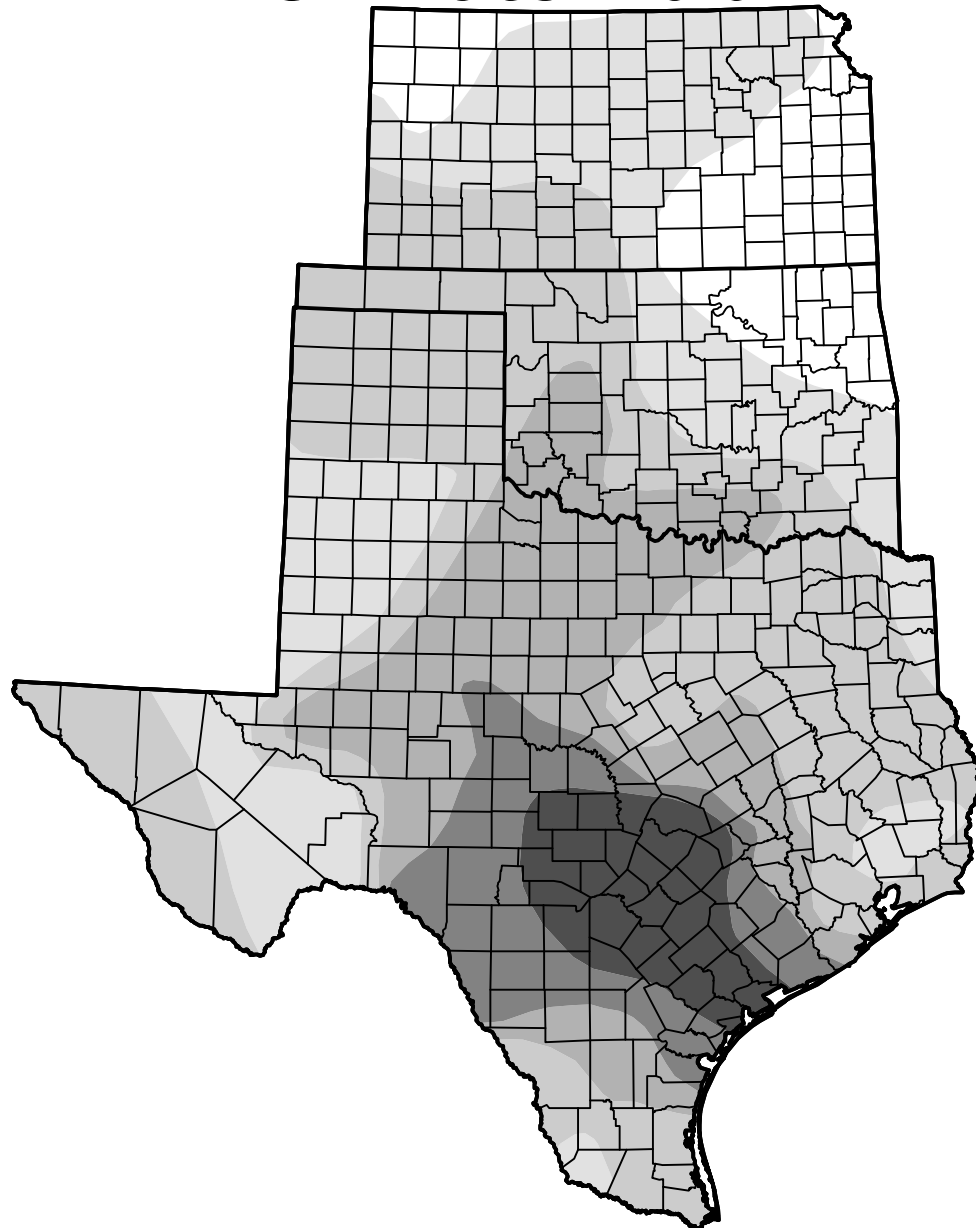


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



**March 10, 2009**  
*(Released Thursday, Mar. 12, 2009)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 10.24 | 24.06 | 33.65 | 17.80 | 8.16 | 6.09 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-03-2009</i>              | 12.88 | 28.32 | 28.02 | 16.99 | 7.69 | 6.09 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-09-2008</i>           | 59.58 | 20.69 | 9.49  | 5.09  | 3.12 | 2.03 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 56.12 | 26.16 | 7.65  | 4.31  | 3.12 | 2.64 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 73.18 | 11.60 | 8.38  | 4.53  | 2.31 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-11-2008</i>           | 46.43 | 25.36 | 12.68 | 13.05 | 2.49 | 0.00 |

**Intensity:**



*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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