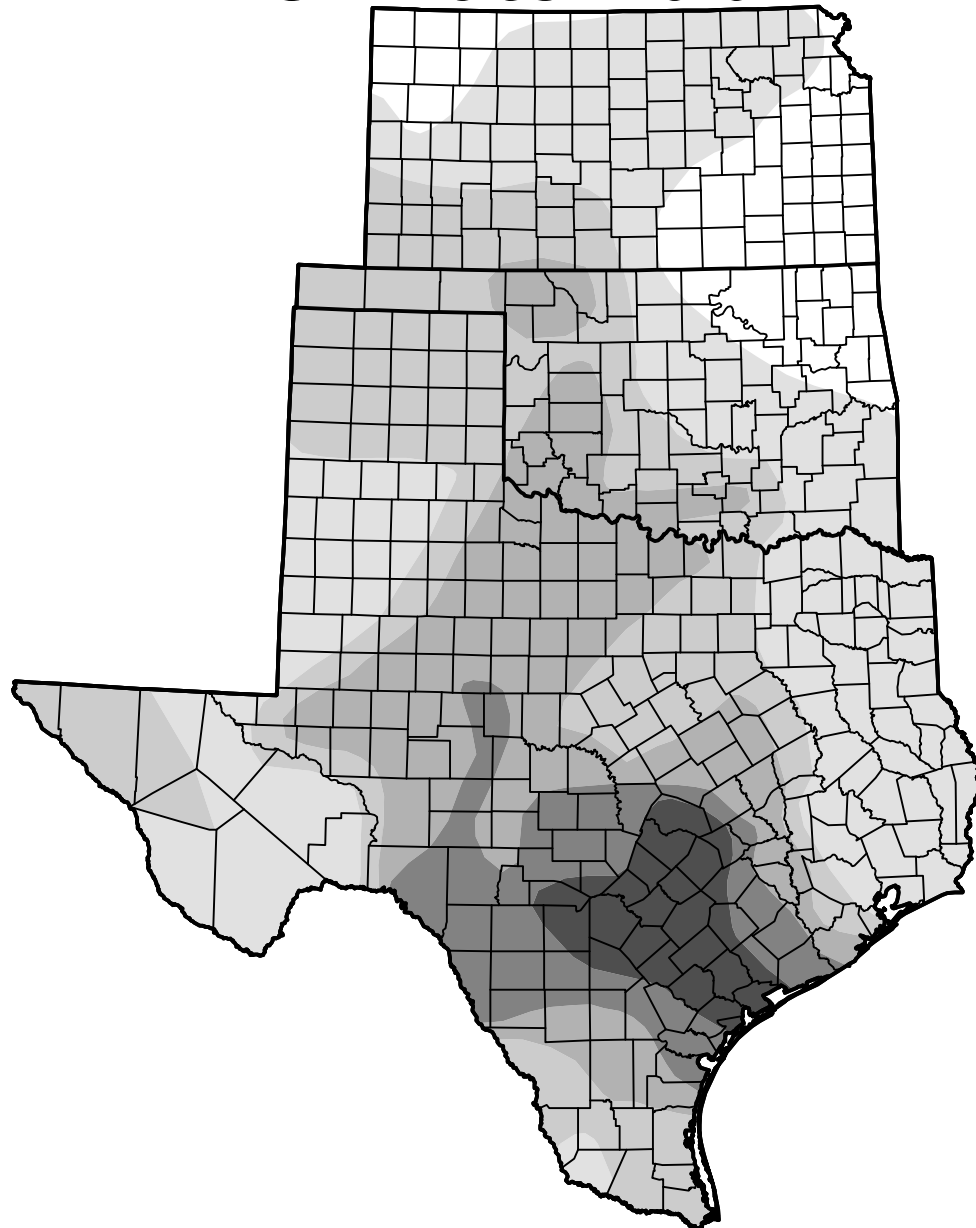


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USDA Southern Plains

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	10.24	89.76	56.51	31.40	12.58	4.50
Last Week <i>03-10-2009</i>	10.24	89.76	65.70	32.05	14.25	6.09
3 Months Ago <i>12-16-2008</i>	57.48	42.52	19.73	10.24	5.76	2.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	43.88	17.73	10.08	5.76	2.64
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>03-18-2008</i>	46.30	53.70	39.52	10.02	2.49	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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