

U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.68	85.32	53.07	28.59	11.50	4.11
Last Week <i>03-12-2009</i>	14.68	85.32	61.46	29.29	13.03	5.57
3 Months Ago <i>12-18-2008</i>	51.96	48.04	18.31	9.36	5.27	2.41
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i>	52.57	47.43	16.48	9.21	5.27	2.41
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	70.49	29.51	12.92	6.06	2.11	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-20-2008</i>	41.52	58.48	40.99	9.16	2.28	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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