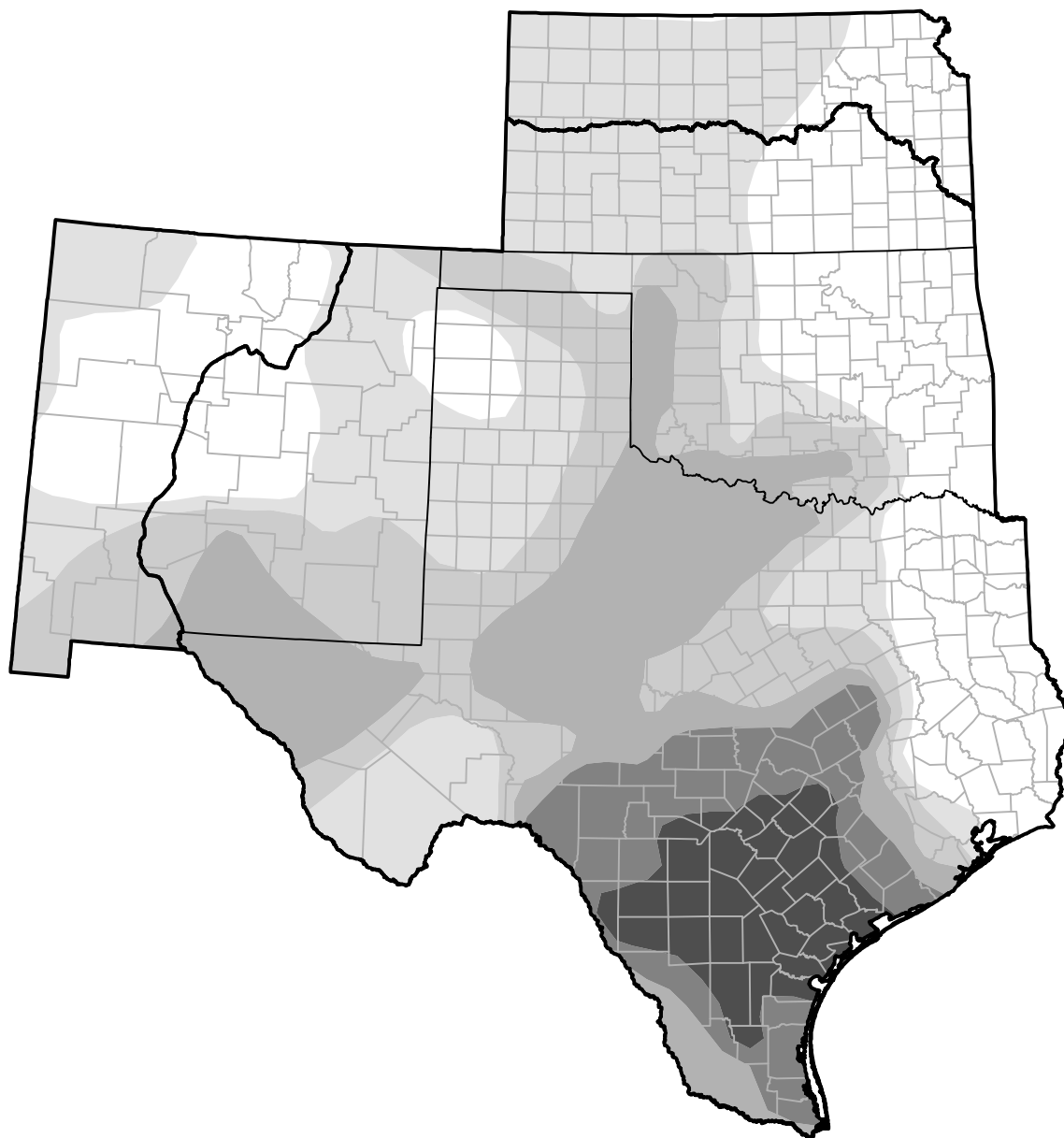


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	25.83	20.80	20.35	18.43	7.91	6.68
Last Week <i>04-09-2009</i>	20.77	17.49	25.74	21.69	10.19	4.11
3 Months Ago <i>01-15-2009</i>	39.88	30.49	16.98	3.91	6.33	2.41
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i>	52.57	30.95	7.26	3.94	2.86	2.41
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	70.49	16.59	6.85	3.95	2.11	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-17-2008</i>	42.40	15.65	26.50	9.33	4.19	1.93

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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