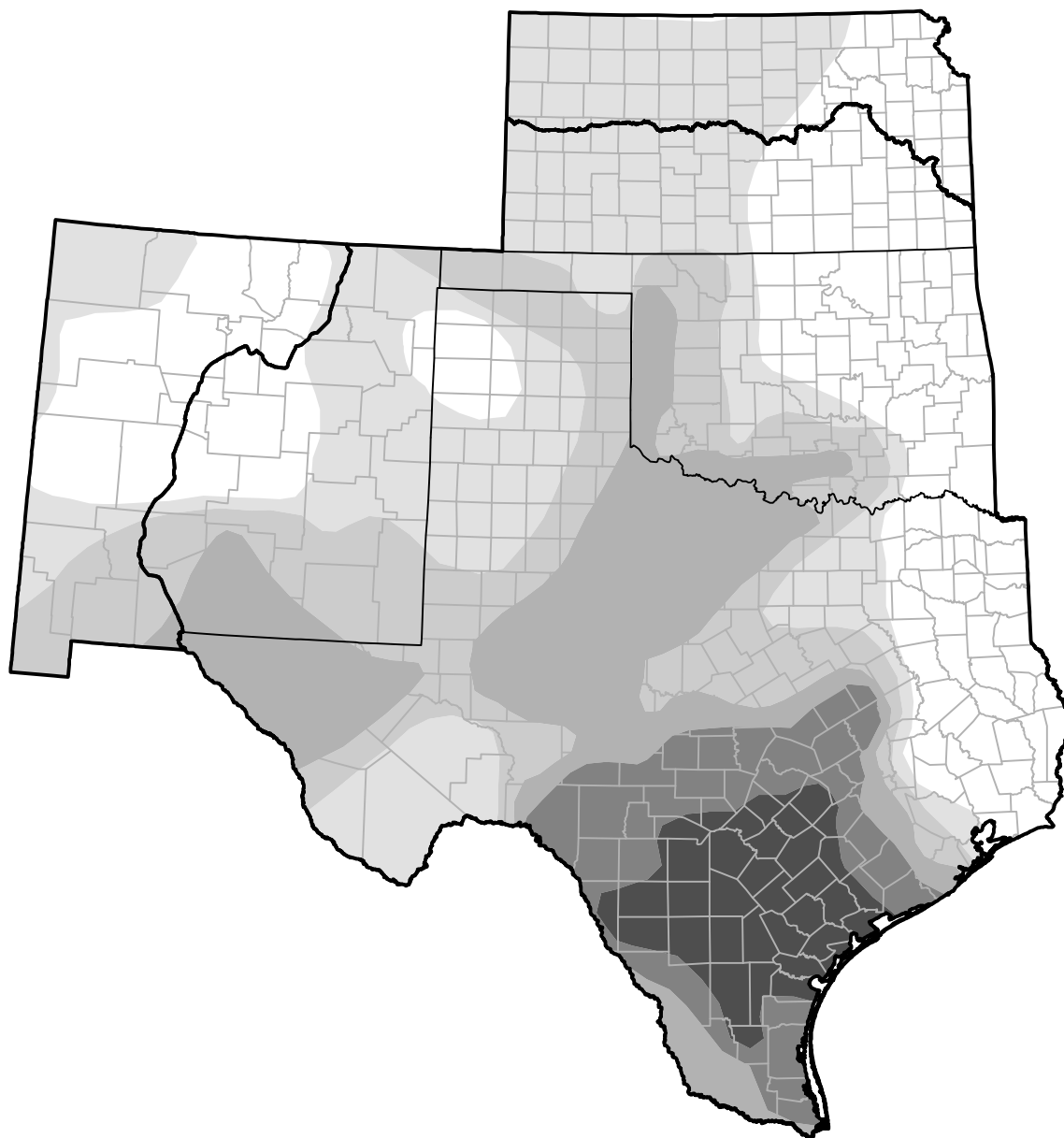


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	25.83	74.17	53.37	33.02	14.59	6.68
Last Week <i>04-09-2009</i>	20.77	79.23	61.74	36.00	14.30	4.11
3 Months Ago <i>01-15-2009</i>	39.88	60.12	29.63	12.65	8.74	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>04-17-2008</i>	42.40	57.60	41.95	15.46	6.12	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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