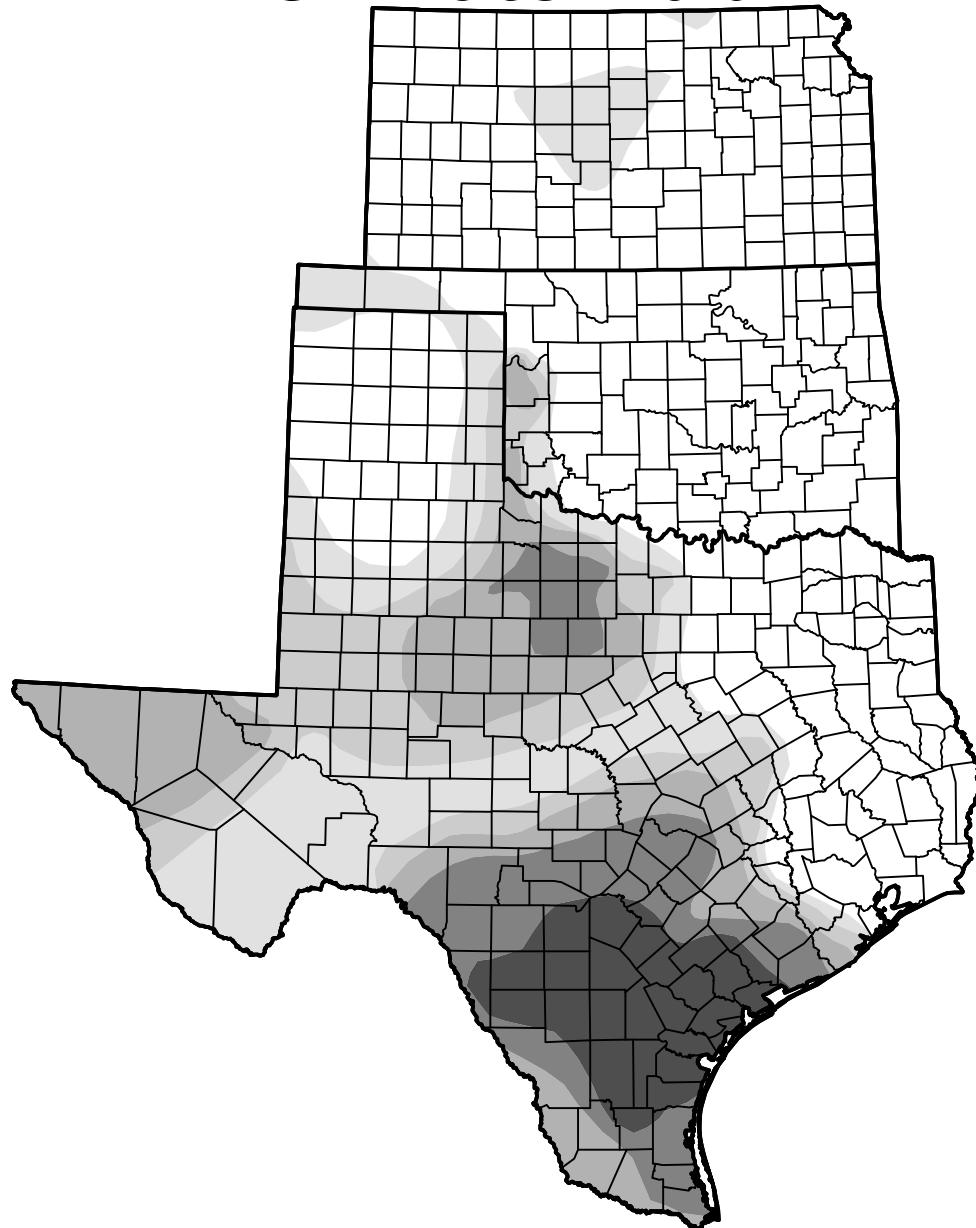


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	50.58	14.69	9.53	11.47	7.55	6.18
Last Week <i>04-28-2009</i>	40.61	19.37	12.33	14.10	7.40	6.18
3 Months Ago <i>02-03-2009</i>	22.36	27.35	19.58	18.28	8.20	4.23
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	26.16	7.65	4.31	3.12	2.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	11.60	8.38	4.53	2.31	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-06-2008</i>	54.26	17.98	11.61	11.78	4.37	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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