

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 61.56 | 38.44 | 24.23 | 19.28 | 16.90 | 10.69 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>07-28-2009              | 52.54 | 47.46 | 28.74 | 20.78 | 15.68 | 11.90 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-05-2009           | 50.58 | 49.42 | 34.73 | 25.20 | 13.74 | 6.18  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-30-2008 | 56.12 | 43.88 | 17.73 | 10.08 | 5.76  | 2.64  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-30-2008    | 73.18 | 26.82 | 15.22 | 6.84  | 2.31  | 0.00  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-05-2008           | 35.59 | 64.41 | 45.48 | 25.15 | 13.93 | 2.42  |

#### 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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