

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

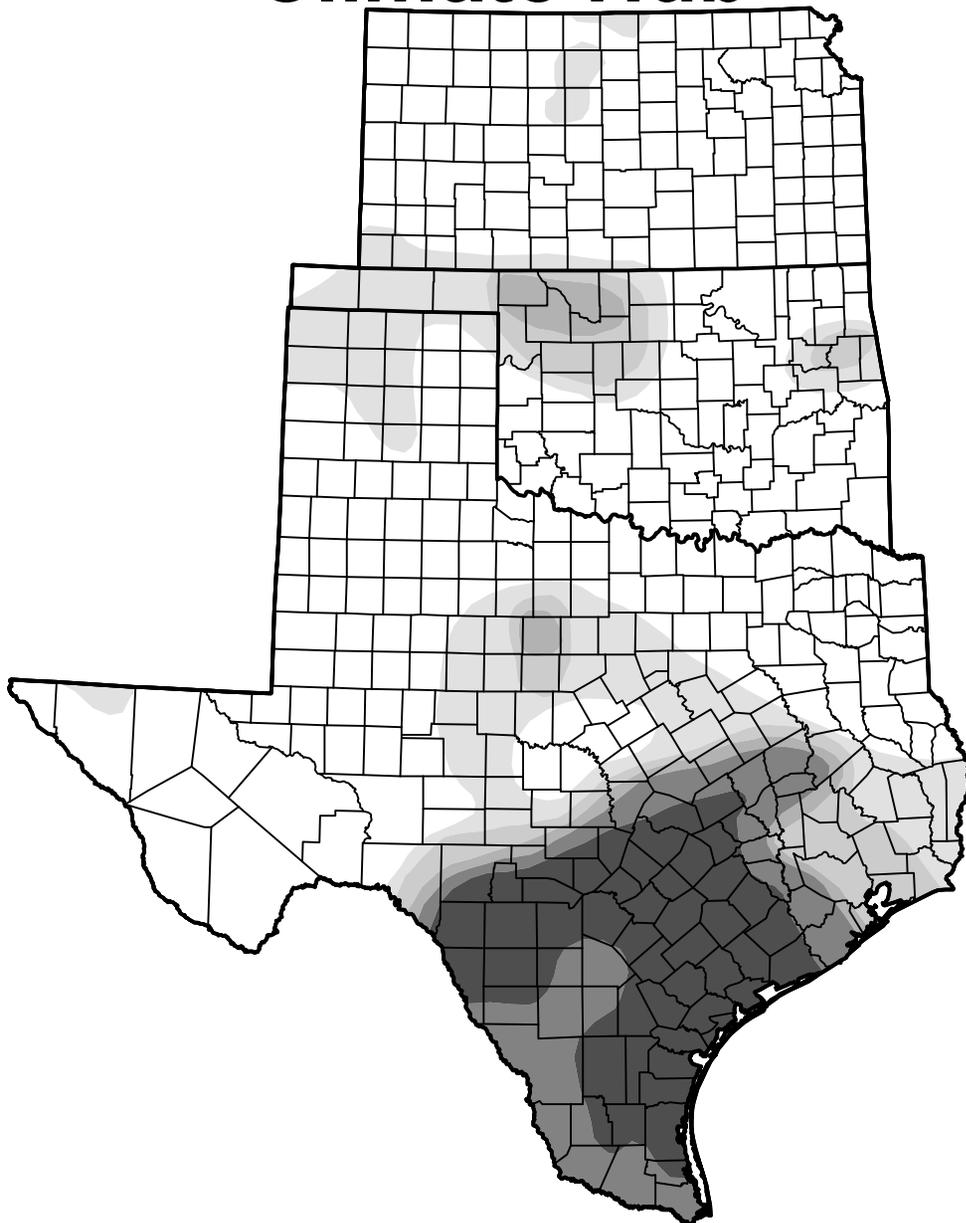
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*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> <i>07-28-2009</i>	52.54	47.46	28.74	20.78	15.68	11.90
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-05-2009</i>	50.58	49.42	34.73	25.20	13.74	6.18
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	43.88	17.73	10.08	5.76	2.64
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	26.82	15.22	6.84	2.31	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-05-2008</i>	35.59	64.41	45.48	25.15	13.93	2.42



***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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