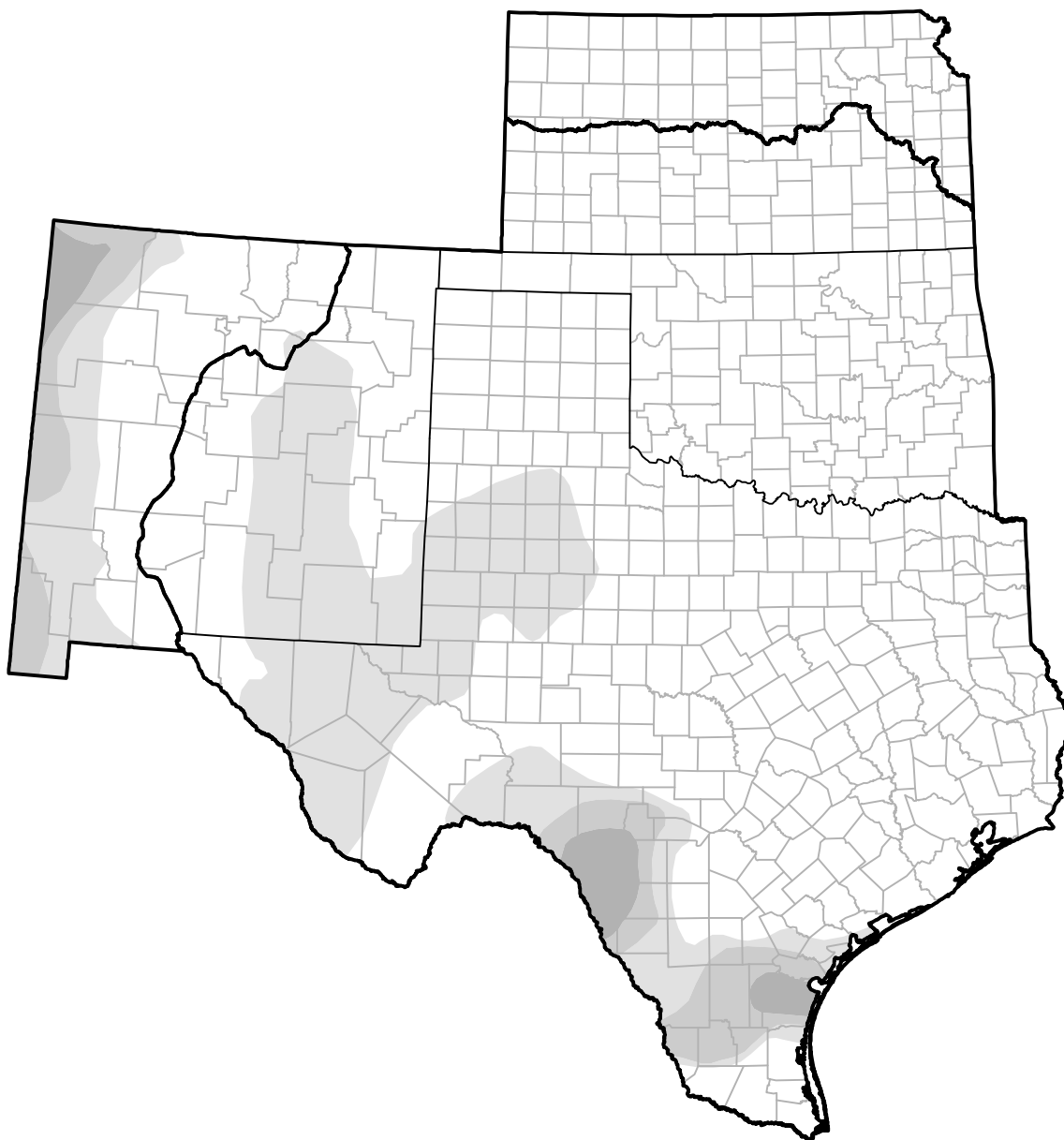


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS



**December 29, 2009**  
*(Released Thursday, Dec. 31, 2009)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 72.79 | 20.46 | 4.80 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-24-2009</i>              | 72.43 | 20.16 | 5.47 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>10-01-2009</i>           | 71.51 | 11.55 | 4.20 | 5.60 | 5.33 | 1.82 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 52.57 | 30.95 | 7.26 | 3.94 | 2.86 | 2.41 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2009</i>    | 71.51 | 11.55 | 4.20 | 5.60 | 5.33 | 1.82 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i>           | 52.57 | 30.95 | 7.26 | 3.94 | 2.86 | 2.41 |

### 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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