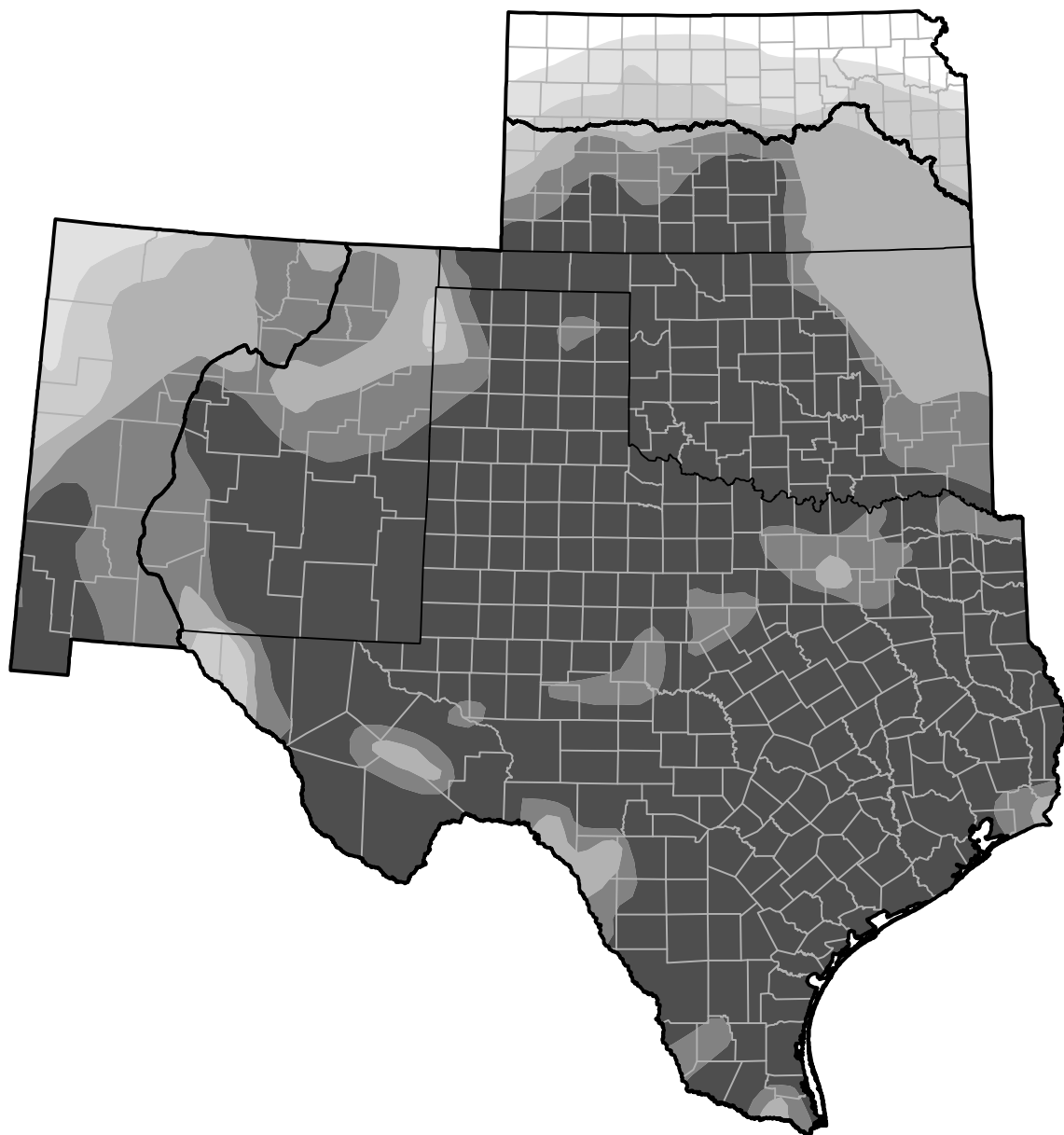


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**September 27, 2011**  
*(Released Thursday, Sep. 29, 2011)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.00  | 0.96  | 2.46  | 9.84  | 17.43 | 69.32 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-22-2011</i>              | 0.00  | 0.96  | 2.53  | 8.40  | 18.98 | 69.13 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-30-2011</i>           | 1.57  | 4.65  | 5.30  | 8.41  | 20.01 | 60.05 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-06-2011</i> | 10.90 | 37.69 | 30.04 | 13.79 | 7.57  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2010</i>    | 74.44 | 23.51 | 1.48  | 0.57  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-30-2010</i>           | 74.44 | 23.51 | 1.48  | 0.57  | 0.00  | 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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