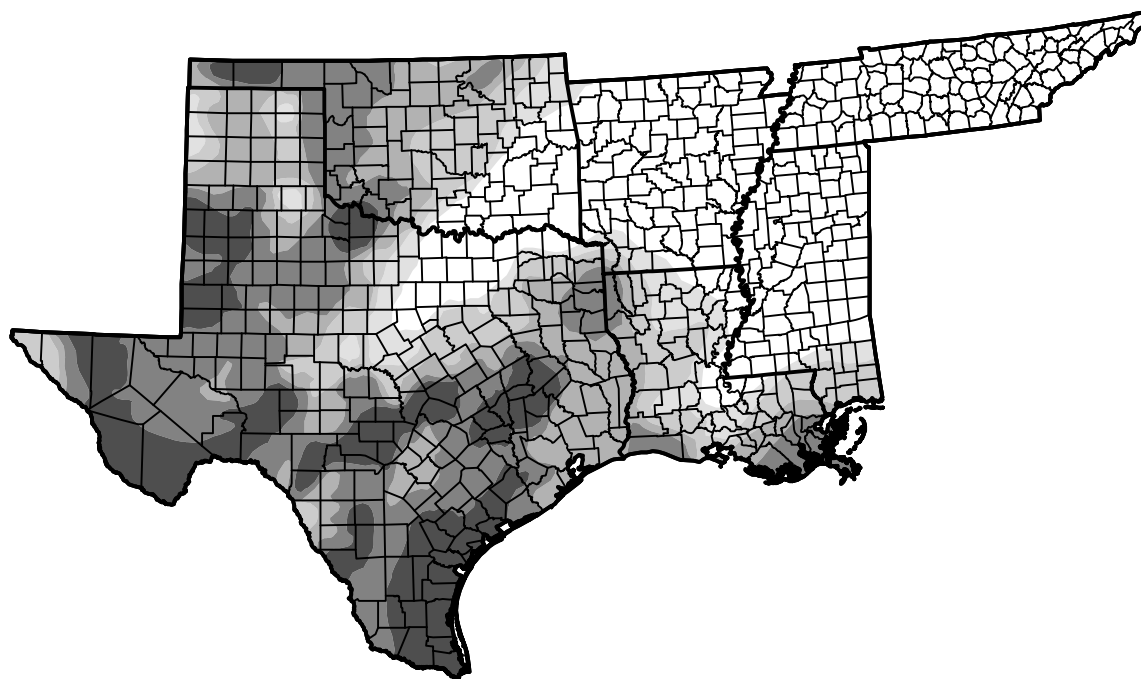


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## South

**January 31, 2012**  
*(Released Thursday, Feb. 2, 2012)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 32.32 | 6.49  | 10.59 | 15.23 | 21.05 | 14.32 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-24-2012</i>              | 28.47 | 6.91  | 11.87 | 15.37 | 24.11 | 13.27 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-01-2011</i>           | 11.84 | 8.21  | 10.15 | 7.47  | 20.44 | 41.90 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 26.47 | 4.52  | 14.03 | 14.92 | 22.82 | 17.24 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 18.34 | 5.40  | 5.65  | 6.94  | 9.90  | 53.77 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-01-2011</i>           | 14.66 | 26.37 | 27.41 | 24.97 | 6.59  | 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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