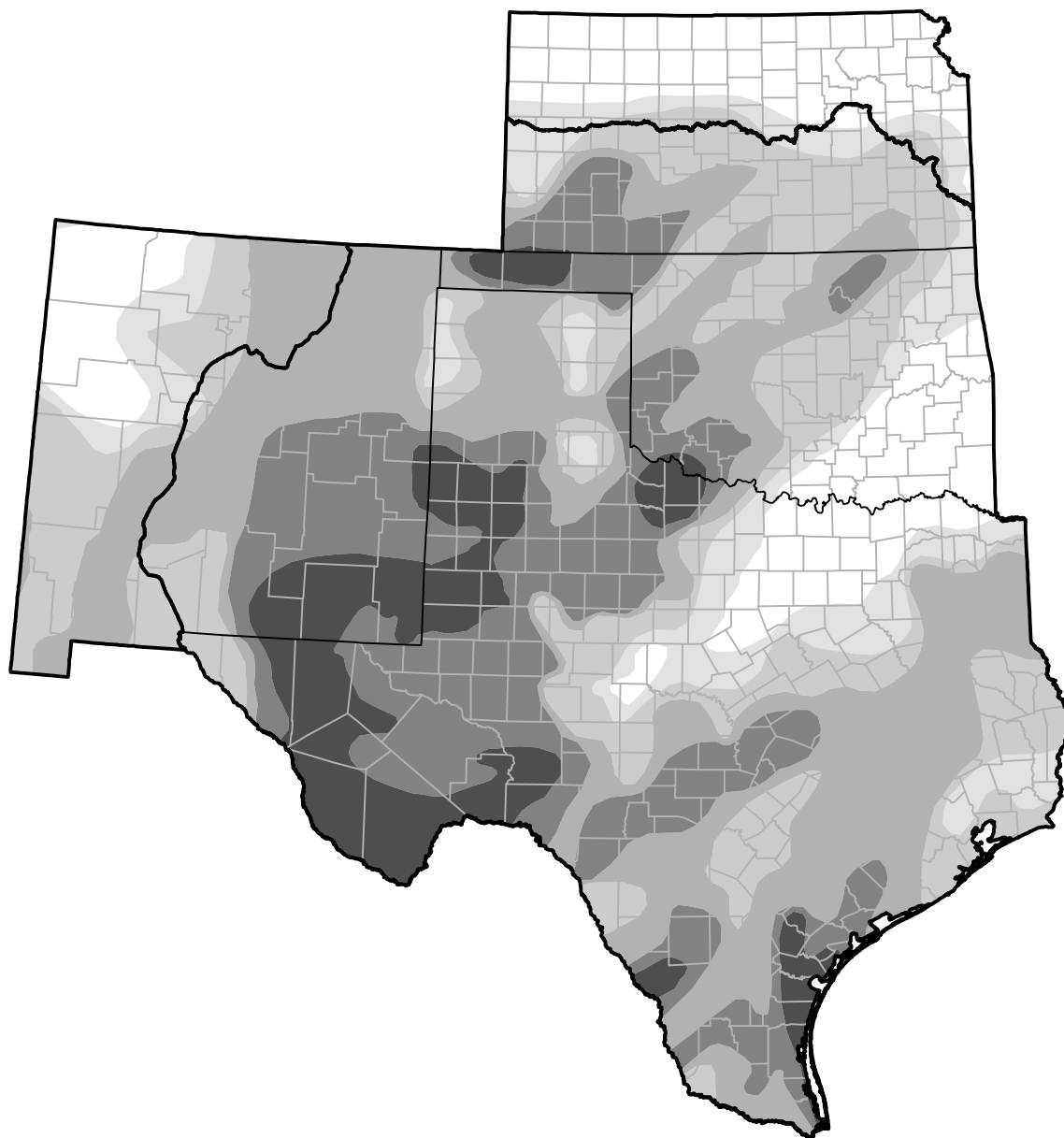


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	10.44	8.21	19.91	29.46	21.15	10.83
Last Week <i>02-16-2012</i>	9.79	6.60	16.96	26.20	25.85	14.60
3 Months Ago <i>11-23-2011</i>	2.45	1.75	6.72	15.44	27.91	45.73
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	4.58	3.24	16.00	26.67	28.11	21.41
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	0.00	0.96	2.46	9.84	17.43	69.32
One Year Ago <i>02-24-2011</i>	5.03	27.79	29.26	30.59	7.34	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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