

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## SCIPP

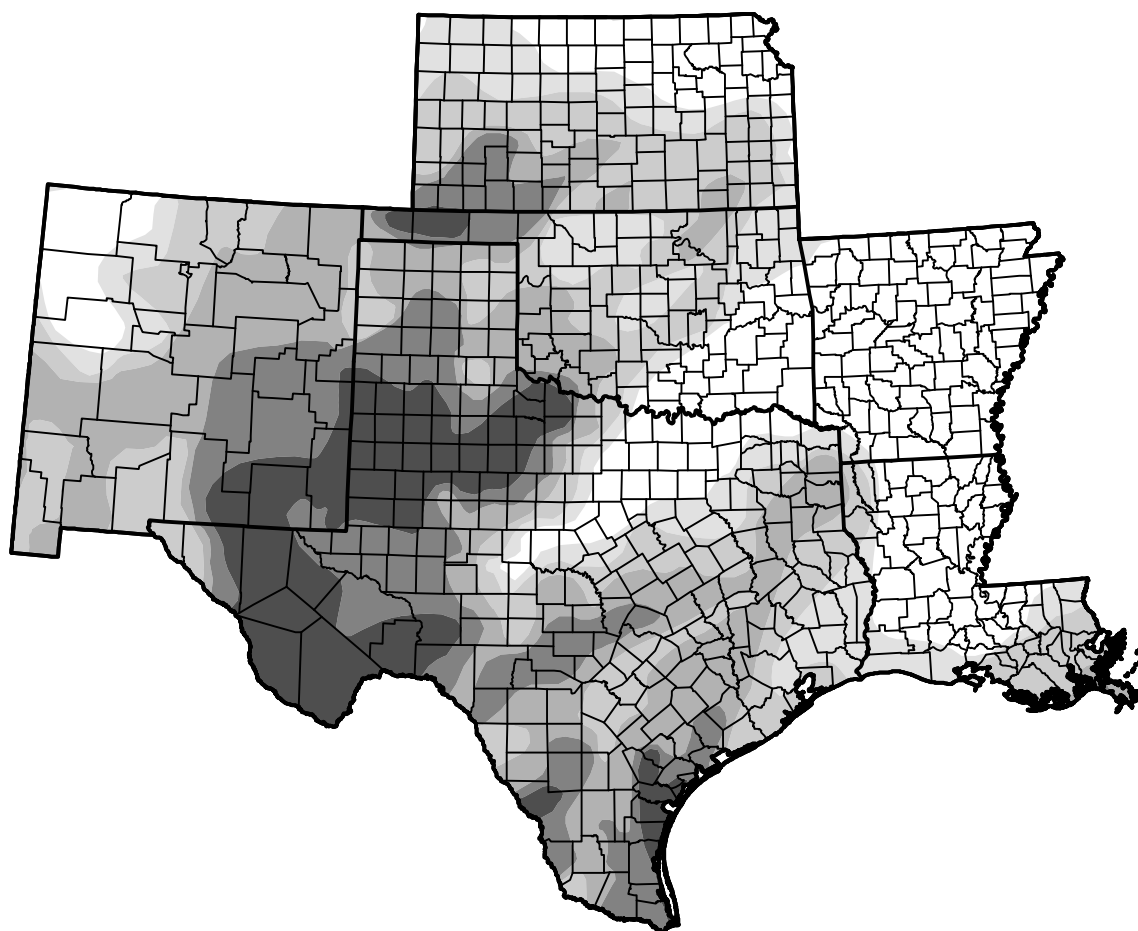
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 23.71 | 76.29 | 64.42 | 44.53 | 24.21 | 10.63 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-06-2012</i>              | 23.50 | 76.50 | 67.44 | 48.00 | 25.51 | 10.74 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-13-2011</i>           | 13.65 | 86.35 | 80.64 | 67.44 | 47.03 | 21.56 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 16.32 | 83.68 | 78.40 | 61.85 | 39.00 | 15.63 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 5.54  | 94.46 | 88.86 | 81.22 | 69.23 | 53.13 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-15-2011</i>           | 6.79  | 93.21 | 76.78 | 43.08 | 12.63 | 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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