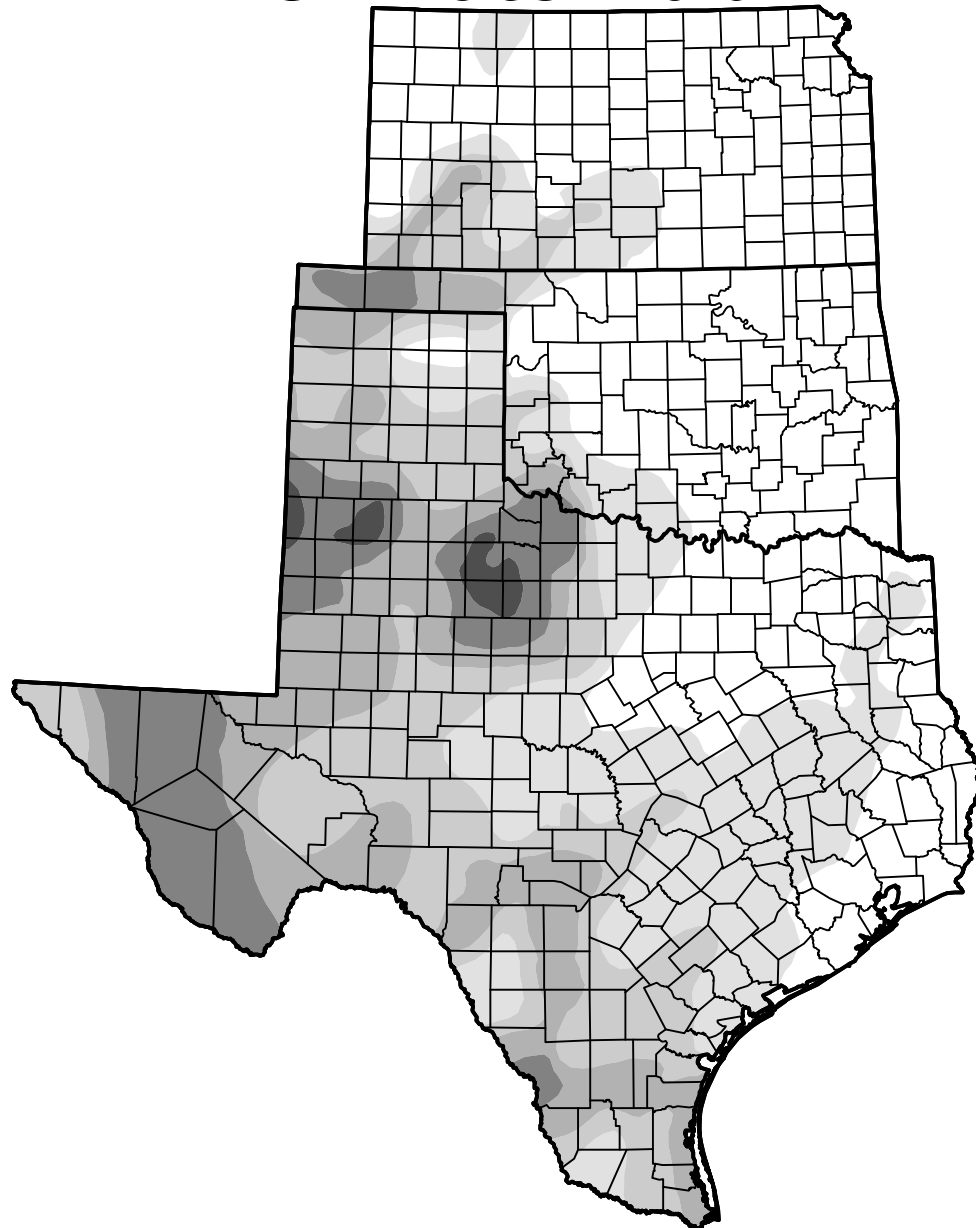


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	39.70	19.96	16.99	14.15	8.31	0.89
Last Week <i>05-08-2012</i>	39.69	14.08	13.52	17.18	10.84	4.69
3 Months Ago <i>02-14-2012</i>	14.97	8.01	17.63	20.51	25.23	13.65
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	10.87	4.49	17.72	17.02	28.63	21.26
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	3.23	3.47	3.93	9.11	11.17	69.08
One Year Ago <i>05-17-2011</i>	5.93	5.57	10.78	17.73	27.25	32.74

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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