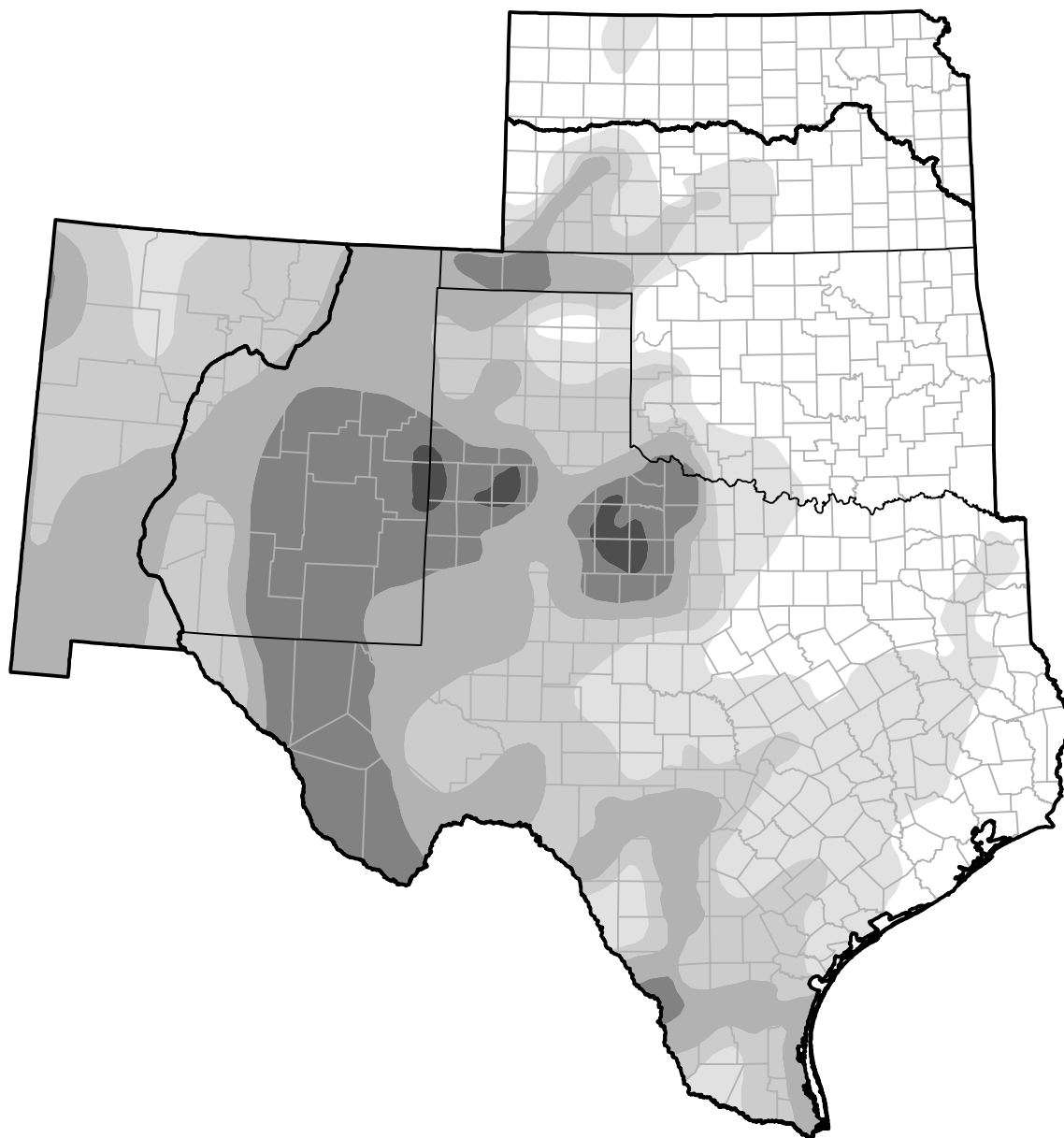


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.52	77.48	60.69	37.59	14.79	0.99
Last Week <i>05-10-2012</i>	21.93	78.07	66.07	47.75	21.44	5.21
3 Months Ago <i>02-16-2012</i>	9.79	90.21	83.61	66.65	40.45	14.60
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	4.58	95.42	92.19	76.19	49.52	21.41
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	0.00	100.00	99.04	96.58	86.74	69.32
One Year Ago <i>05-19-2011</i>	3.58	96.42	92.41	85.33	69.80	38.32

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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