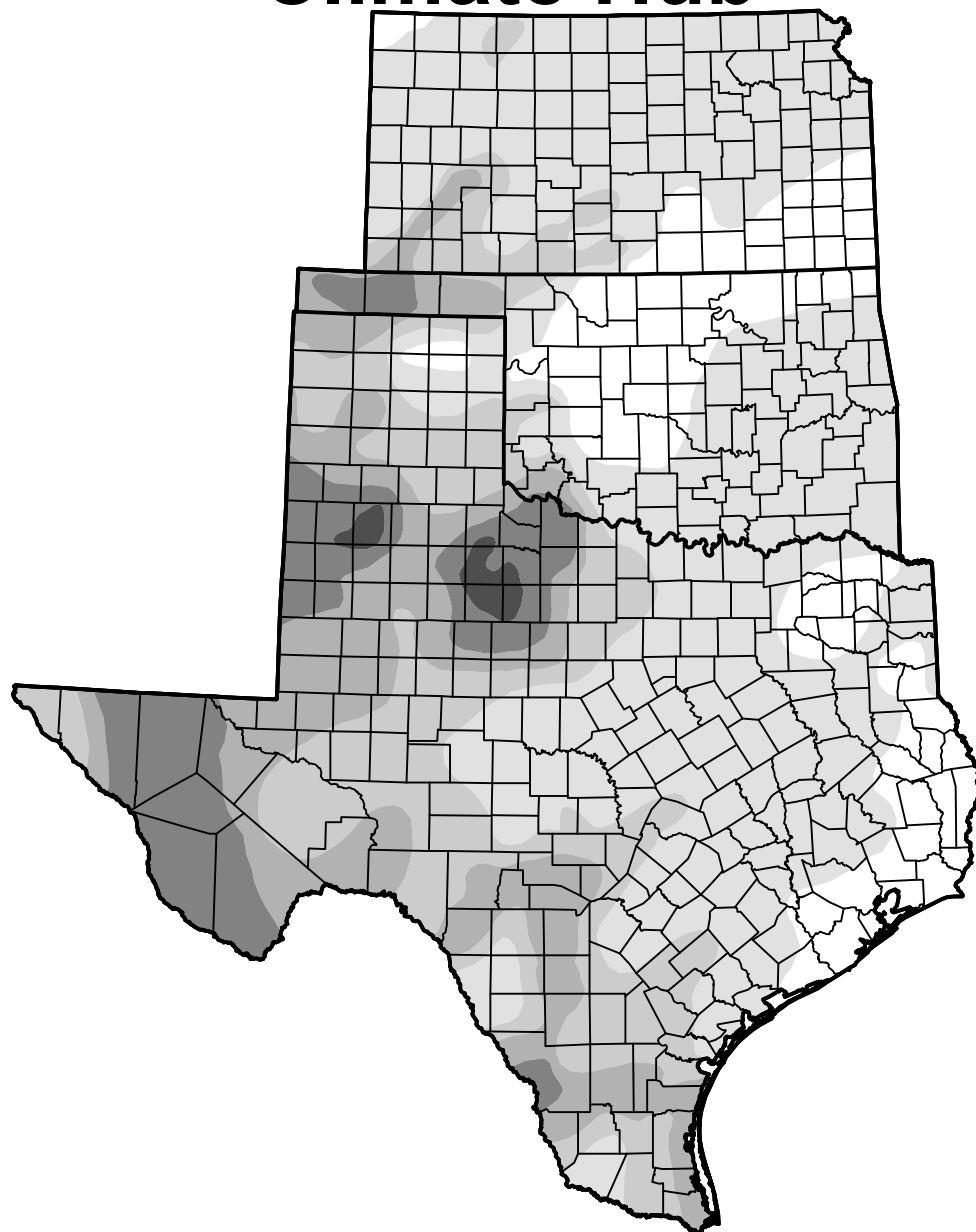


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.00	86.00	41.76	23.35	9.20	0.73
Last Week 05-15-2012	39.70	60.30	40.34	23.35	9.20	0.89
3 Months Ago 02-21-2012	15.69	84.31	74.55	53.69	29.61	9.53
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	10.87	89.13	84.64	66.92	49.90	21.26
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	3.23	96.77	93.30	89.37	80.26	69.08
One Year Ago 05-24-2011	11.49	88.51	81.47	72.47	57.02	29.86

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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