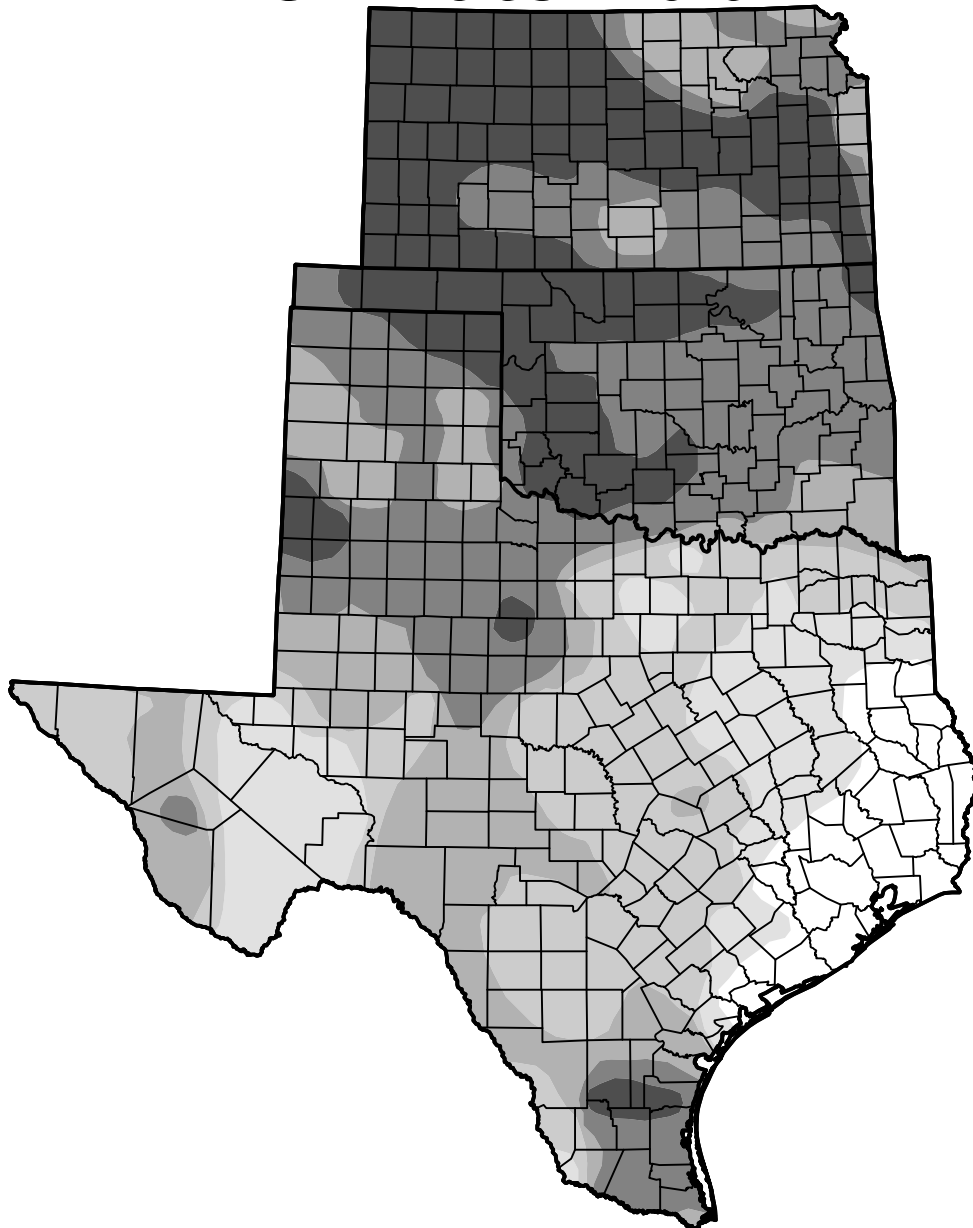


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 6.55  | 10.99 | 17.96 | 18.42 | 25.23 | 20.86 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-28-2012</i>              | 6.48  | 10.99 | 20.99 | 19.24 | 23.18 | 19.12 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-05-2012</i>           | 9.92  | 33.07 | 36.34 | 14.25 | 6.18  | 0.24  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 10.87 | 4.49  | 17.72 | 17.02 | 28.63 | 21.26 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 3.23  | 3.47  | 3.93  | 9.11  | 11.17 | 69.08 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-06-2011</i>           | 5.65  | 1.83  | 3.03  | 8.11  | 14.86 | 66.52 |

#### 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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