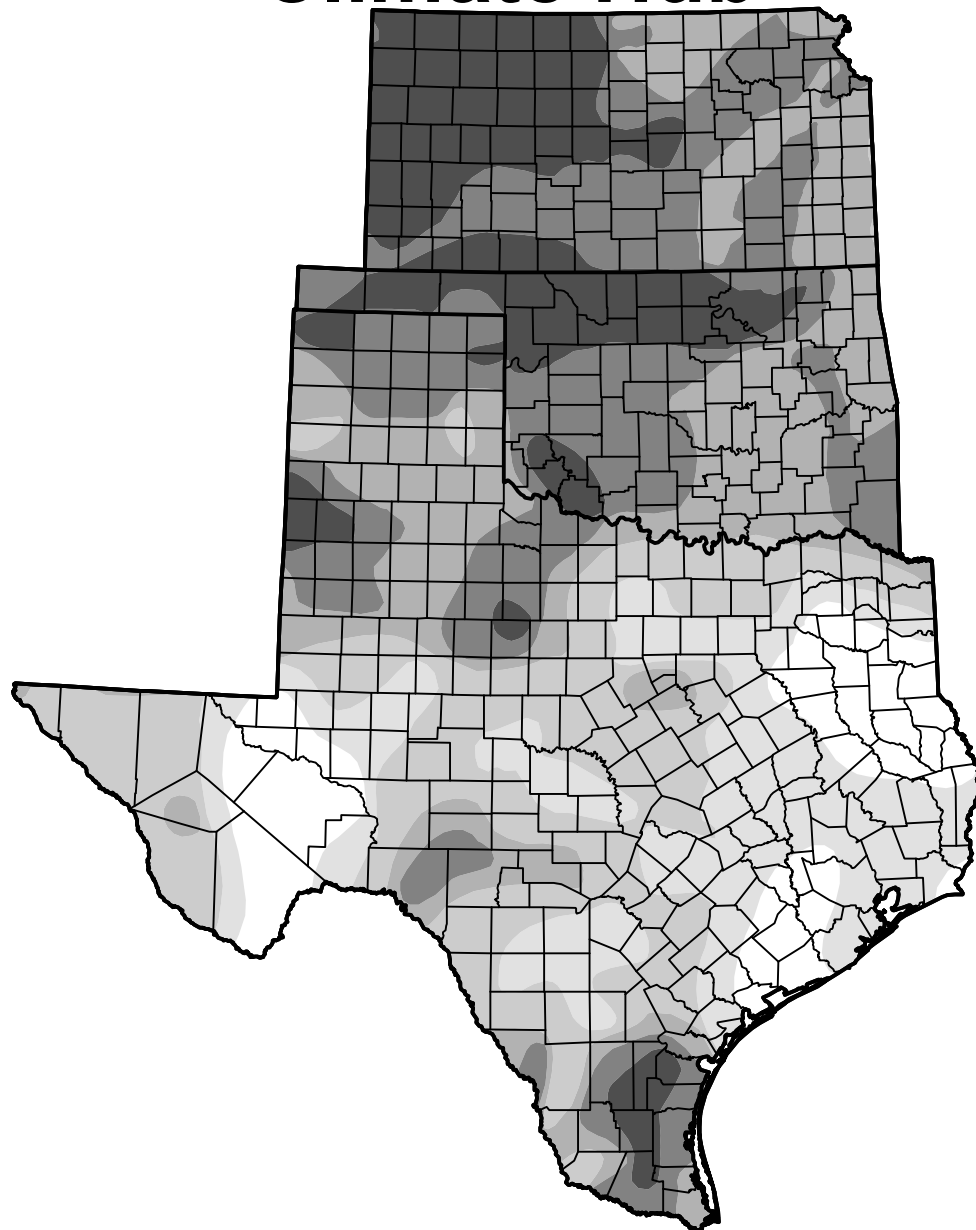


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	8.95	91.05	75.59	56.20	36.50	14.40
Last Week <i>10-16-2012</i>	10.85	89.15	76.16	56.19	36.56	14.40
3 Months Ago <i>07-24-2012</i>	7.84	92.16	81.15	56.71	29.28	2.78
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	10.87	89.13	84.64	66.92	49.90	21.26
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	5.80	94.20	86.49	72.94	49.21	20.41
One Year Ago <i>10-25-2011</i>	4.03	95.97	93.34	90.03	78.90	56.40

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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