

# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 6.02  | 10.49 | 14.94 | 24.00 | 26.52 | 18.02 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-15-2013</i>                  | 6.02  | 10.49 | 14.94 | 24.28 | 26.61 | 17.65 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>10-23-2012</i>               | 8.95  | 15.46 | 19.39 | 19.70 | 22.10 | 14.40 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2013</i> | 1.93  | 6.33  | 13.73 | 24.21 | 32.90 | 20.90 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2012</i>    | 5.80  | 7.71  | 13.55 | 23.73 | 28.80 | 20.41 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>01-24-2012</i>               | 10.68 | 8.20  | 15.60 | 18.32 | 30.47 | 16.73 |

## 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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