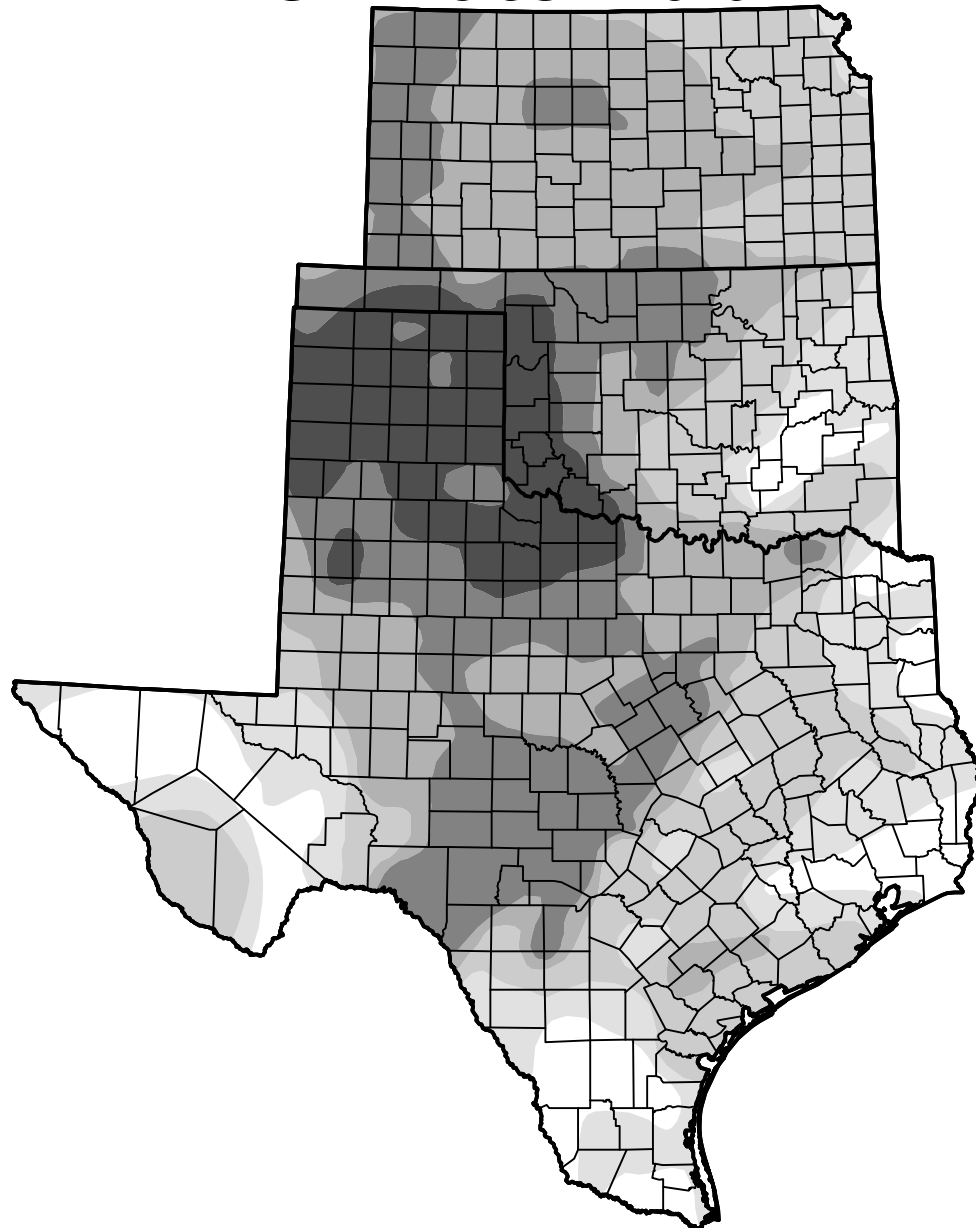


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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                 | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                  | 9.78  | 90.22 | 76.34 | 54.25 | 30.97 | 10.40 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>04-15-2014                  | 12.34 | 87.66 | 74.43 | 51.12 | 26.39 | 8.85  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>01-21-2014               | 21.60 | 78.40 | 44.66 | 23.58 | 6.15  | 0.90  |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br>12-31-2013 | 27.54 | 72.46 | 43.50 | 23.30 | 5.61  | 0.90  |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br>10-01-2013    | 16.94 | 83.06 | 60.22 | 25.19 | 4.07  | 0.32  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>04-23-2013               | 2.73  | 97.27 | 89.92 | 69.61 | 40.45 | 11.84 |

## 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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