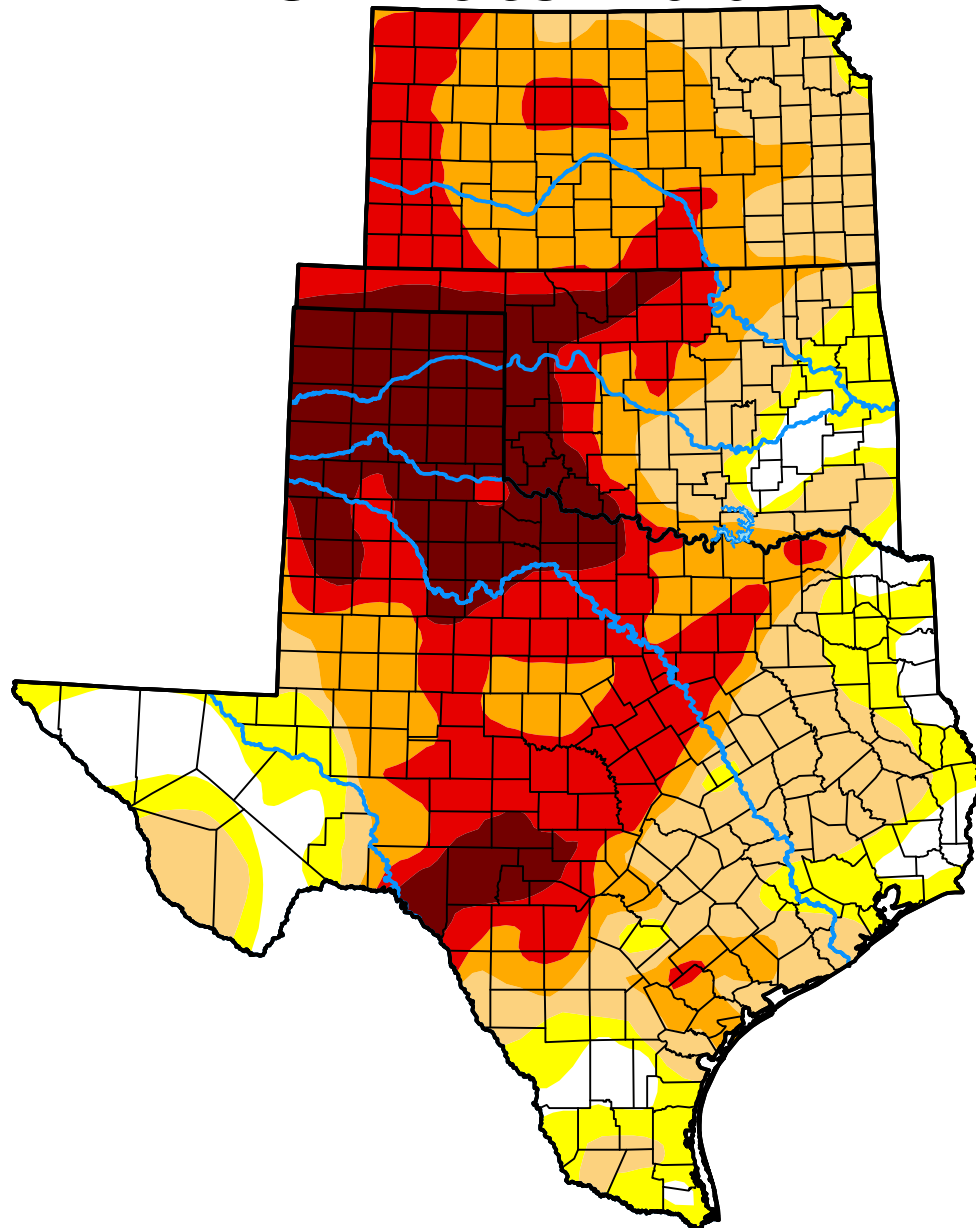


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 7.48  | 92.52 | 80.07 | 57.01 | 35.46 | 14.67 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-22-2014</i>              | 9.78  | 90.22 | 76.34 | 54.25 | 30.97 | 10.40 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-28-2014</i>           | 17.28 | 82.72 | 51.70 | 28.40 | 7.80  | 0.90  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 27.54 | 72.46 | 43.50 | 23.30 | 5.61  | 0.90  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2013</i>    | 16.94 | 83.06 | 60.22 | 25.19 | 4.07  | 0.32  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-30-2013</i>           | 3.90  | 96.10 | 88.82 | 71.52 | 39.41 | 11.34 |

#### 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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