

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 4.01  | 9.29  | 15.83 | 27.71 | 25.03 | 18.12 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-01-2014</i>              | 6.85  | 11.83 | 19.28 | 25.22 | 22.30 | 14.52 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-06-2014</i>           | 13.35 | 23.91 | 32.46 | 20.29 | 9.21  | 0.78  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2014</i> | 24.42 | 24.25 | 27.44 | 18.72 | 4.35  | 0.82  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2013</i>    | 7.61  | 24.66 | 40.40 | 23.42 | 3.61  | 0.29  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-09-2013</i>           | 3.50  | 6.24  | 13.86 | 26.03 | 30.95 | 19.42 |

### 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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