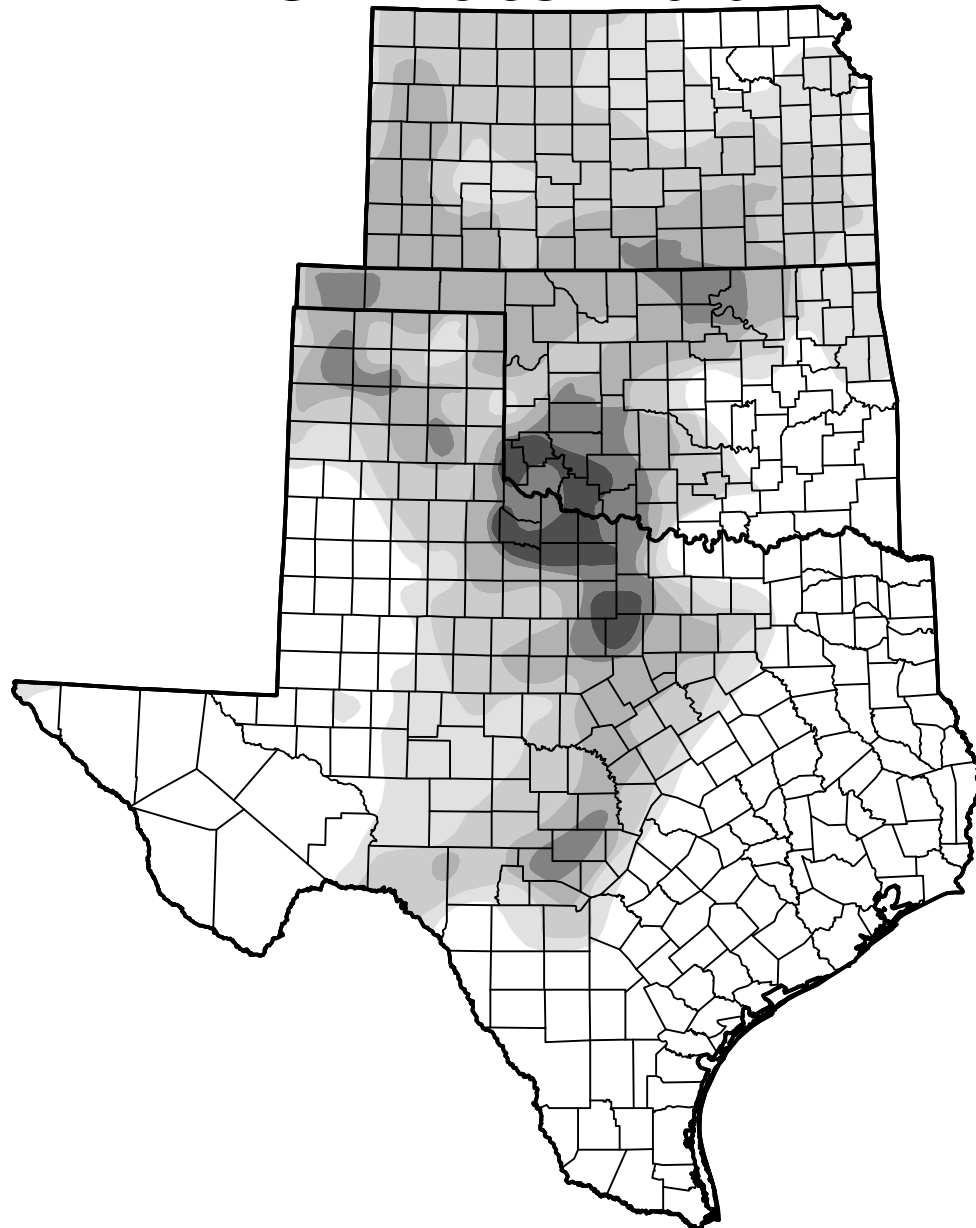


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains

### Climate Hub



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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 44.51 | 13.43 | 19.61 | 15.67 | 4.93  | 1.86  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-28-2015</i>              | 44.03 | 13.14 | 19.65 | 14.93 | 6.26  | 1.98  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-03-2015</i>           | 30.67 | 26.80 | 16.81 | 14.42 | 8.55  | 2.74  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 29.97 | 23.86 | 19.37 | 15.28 | 8.55  | 2.97  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 23.45 | 24.07 | 20.13 | 21.22 | 8.64  | 2.49  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-06-2014</i>           | 4.36  | 9.68  | 17.59 | 20.46 | 29.17 | 18.73 |

#### 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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