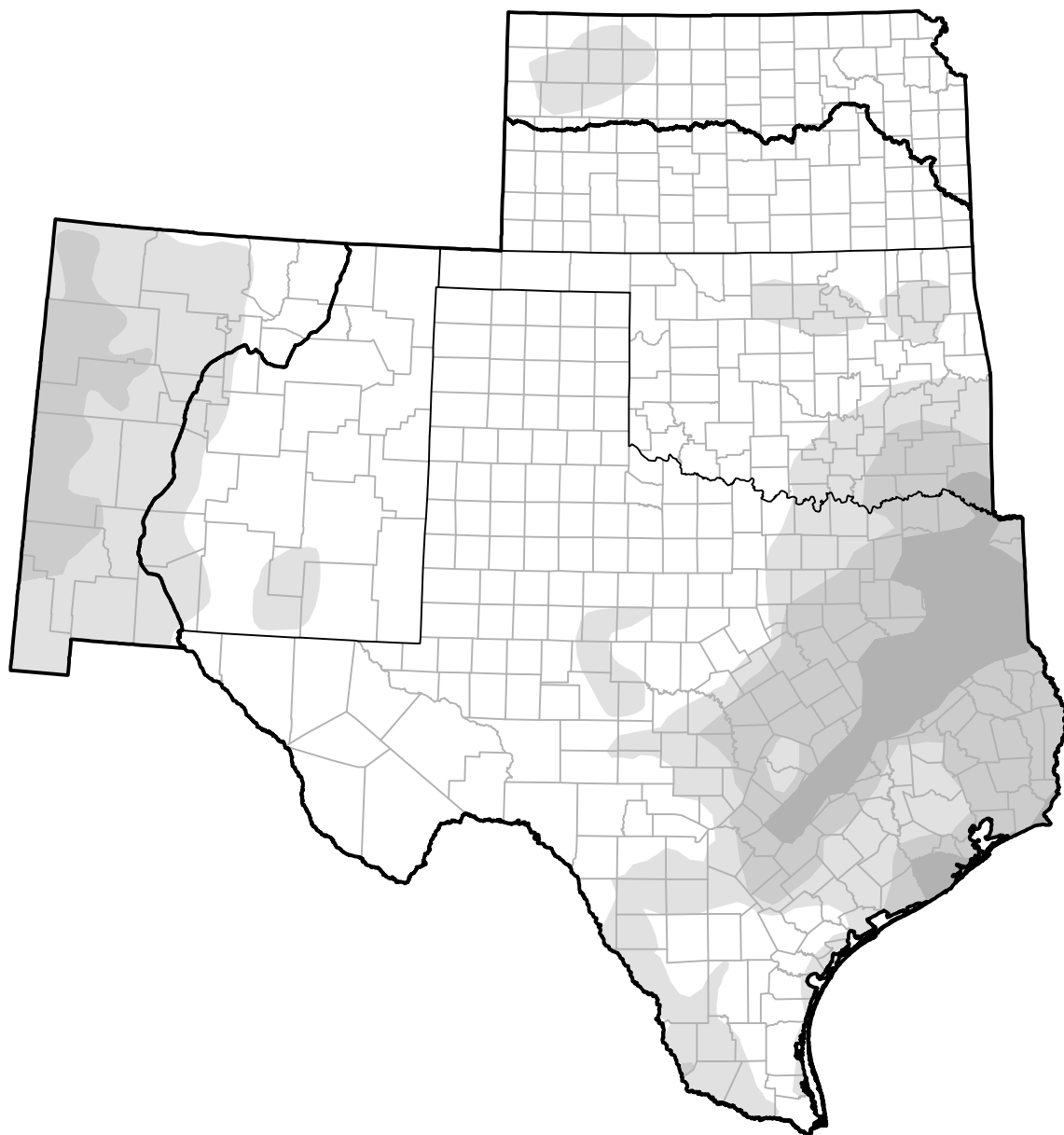


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	57.23	42.77	19.58	5.07	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-13-2015</i>	61.77	38.23	16.08	2.55	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-21-2015</i>	56.54	43.46	25.11	6.62	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	27.08	72.92	52.85	28.94	11.11	2.72
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	22.54	77.46	56.31	34.05	11.89	2.28
One Year Ago <i>08-21-2014</i>	14.82	85.18	62.99	37.79	13.12	1.95

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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