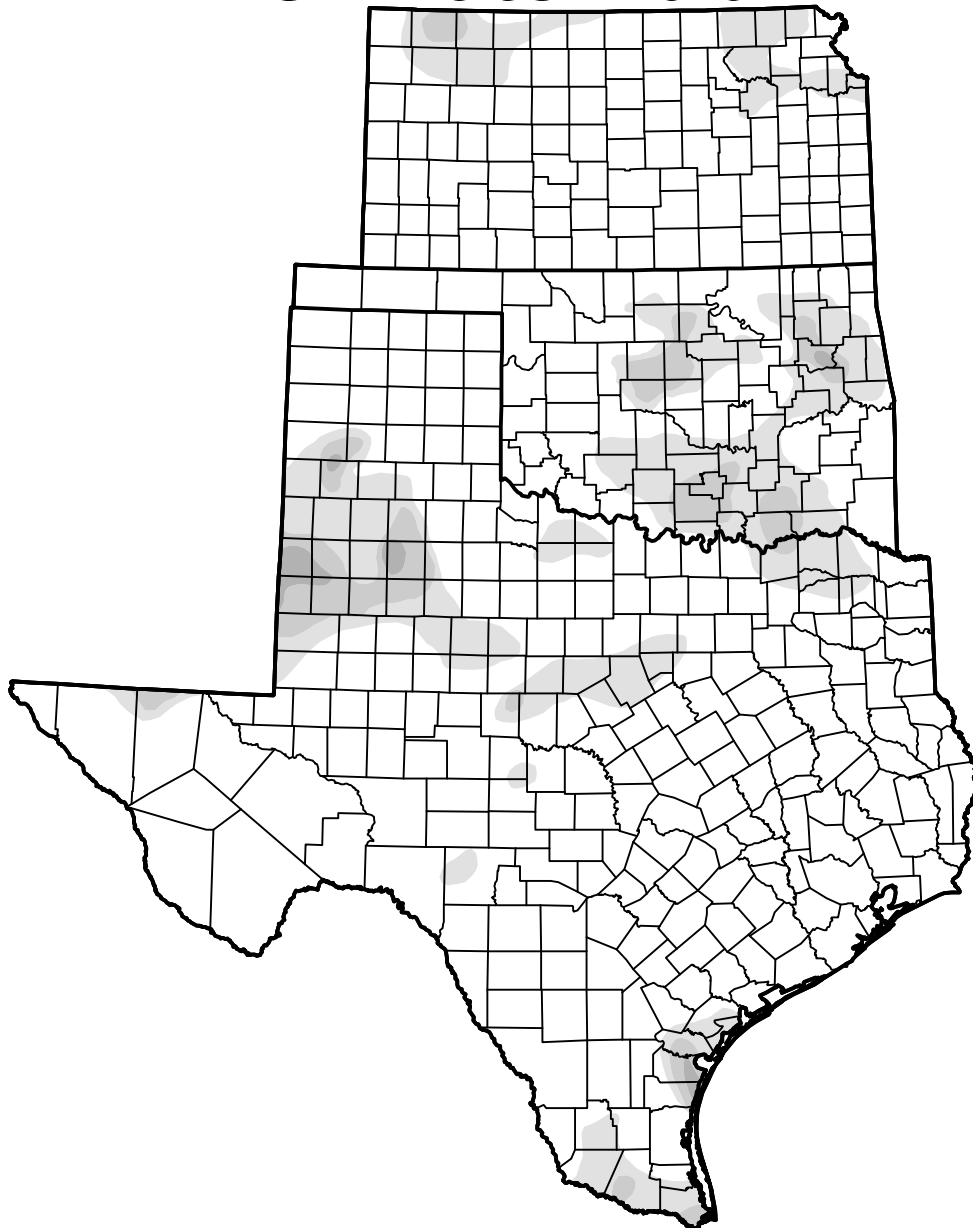


# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub



**August 23, 2016**  
(Released Thursday, Aug. 25, 2016)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                 | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                  | 82.00 | 18.00 | 4.24  | 0.52  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>08-16-2016                  | 73.03 | 26.97 | 4.77  | 0.50  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-24-2016               | 97.81 | 2.19  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br>12-29-2015 | 96.70 | 3.30  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br>09-29-2015    | 46.66 | 53.34 | 28.04 | 12.22 | 4.14  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-25-2015               | 69.78 | 30.22 | 16.43 | 4.05  | 0.00  | 0.00 |

## 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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