

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 13.22 | 86.78 | 50.98 | 22.15 | 4.11  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>01-09-2018              | 17.20 | 82.80 | 47.65 | 17.28 | 1.72  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>10-17-2017           | 79.55 | 20.45 | 4.81  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-02-2018 | 21.20 | 78.80 | 40.70 | 11.99 | 0.07  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-26-2017    | 67.42 | 32.58 | 4.77  | 0.29  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>01-17-2017           | 60.23 | 39.77 | 21.26 | 7.23  | 0.80  | 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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