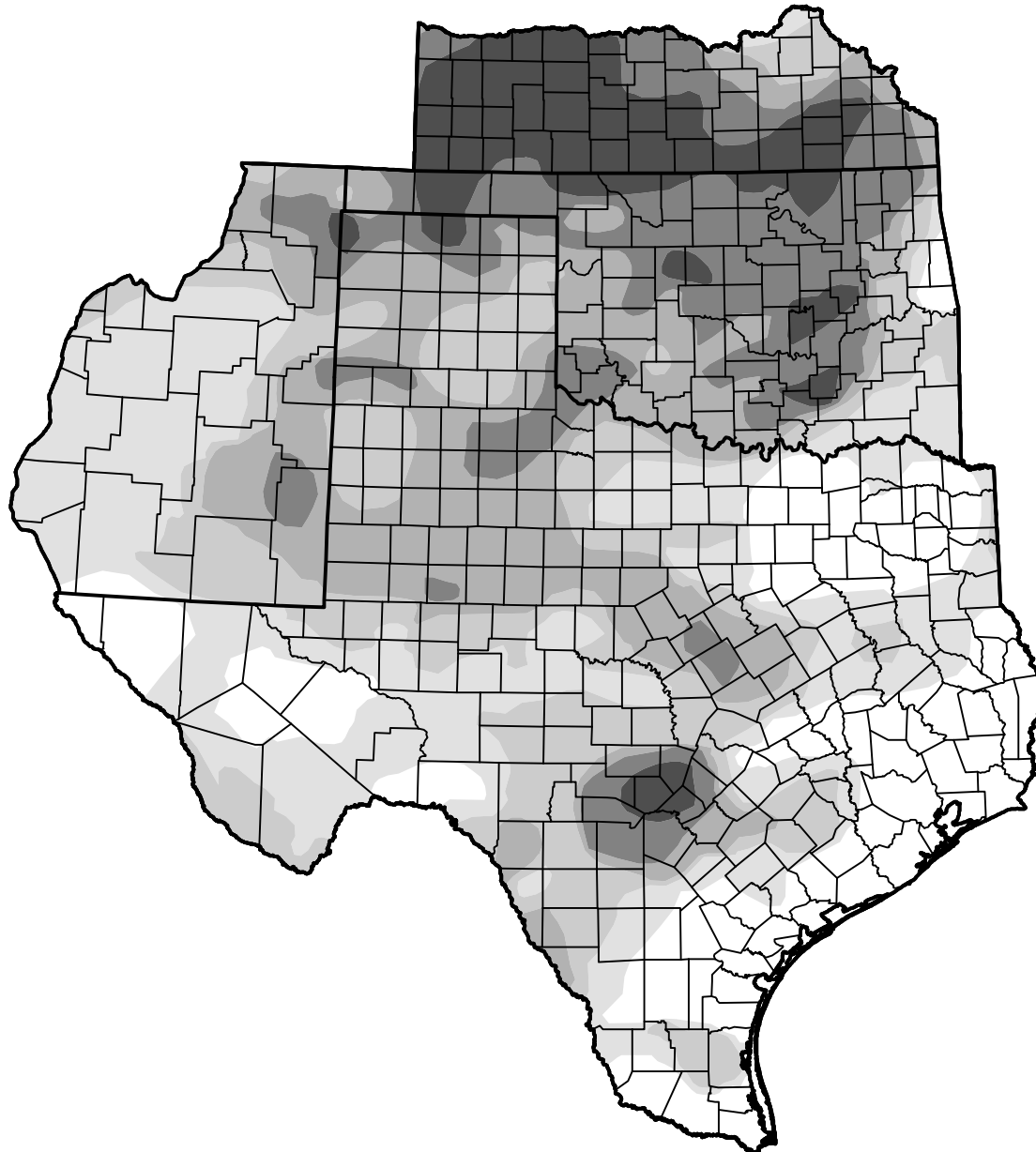


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	17.14	22.75	18.79	19.19	13.84	8.29
Last Week <i>12-13-2022</i>	15.52	22.19	20.16	19.88	13.87	8.38
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2022</i>	12.98	12.31	25.67	26.35	17.00	5.70
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2022</i>	7.49	10.79	26.42	36.41	18.89	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2022</i>	9.25	15.06	26.73	24.32	17.13	7.51
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2021</i>	14.73	16.70	36.47	26.64	5.47	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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