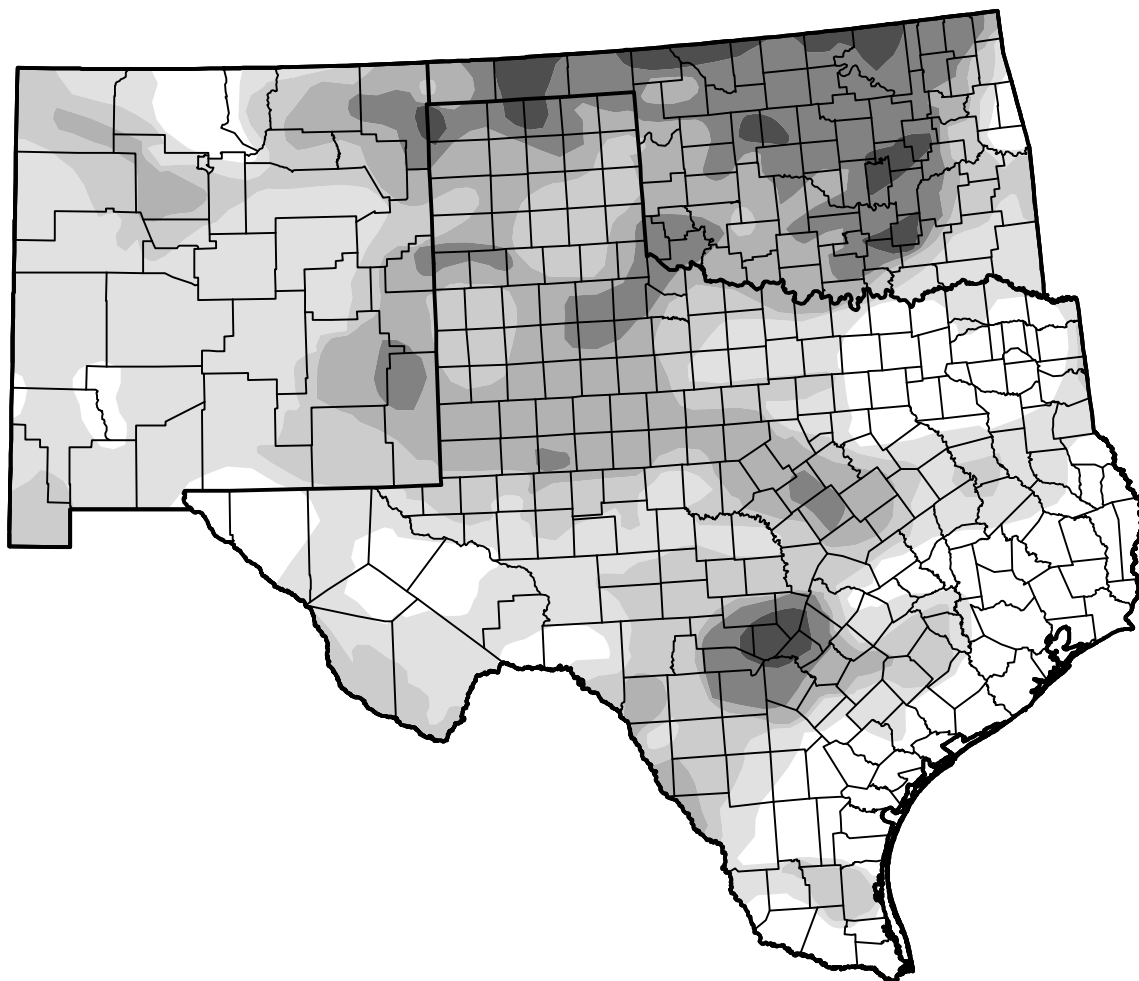


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	18.16	28.78	20.71	18.63	11.18	2.55
Last Week <i>12-13-2022</i>	16.60	28.24	22.04	19.28	11.21	2.64
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2022</i>	12.54	15.71	29.47	27.31	12.52	2.45
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2022</i>	5.17	8.94	23.13	41.31	21.45	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2022</i>	8.95	19.69	30.18	24.34	13.59	3.25
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2021</i>	11.05	12.95	34.89	31.82	9.29	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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