

U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	22.40	17.00	16.29	17.93	13.87	12.51
Last Week <i>04-11-2023</i>	22.92	16.26	17.66	18.26	12.92	11.99
3 Months Ago <i>01-17-2023</i>	14.02	22.30	20.08	20.83	14.00	8.77
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2023</i>	17.91	21.19	19.14	19.46	13.79	8.51
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>04-19-2022</i>	7.69	7.75	13.02	20.31	38.20	13.04

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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