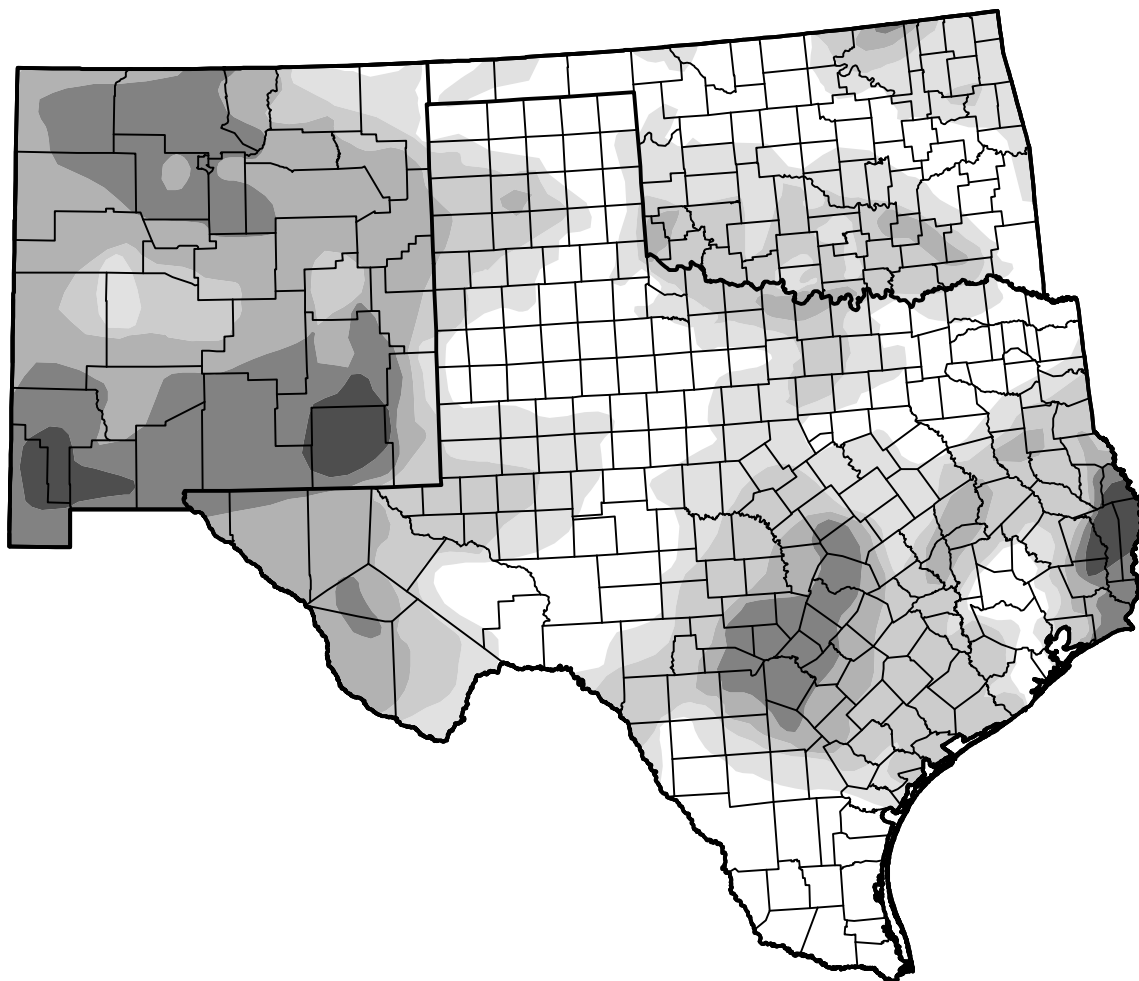


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	26.49	19.56	20.61	18.36	12.75	2.22
Last Week <i>12-12-2023</i>	23.97	19.78	21.44	19.42	13.17	2.22
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2023</i>	6.12	13.07	21.93	25.13	24.45	9.31
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2023</i>	18.90	27.39	20.93	18.88	11.13	2.76
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2023</i>	7.01	13.22	22.42	24.68	23.49	9.19
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2022</i>	18.16	28.78	20.71	18.63	11.18	2.55

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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