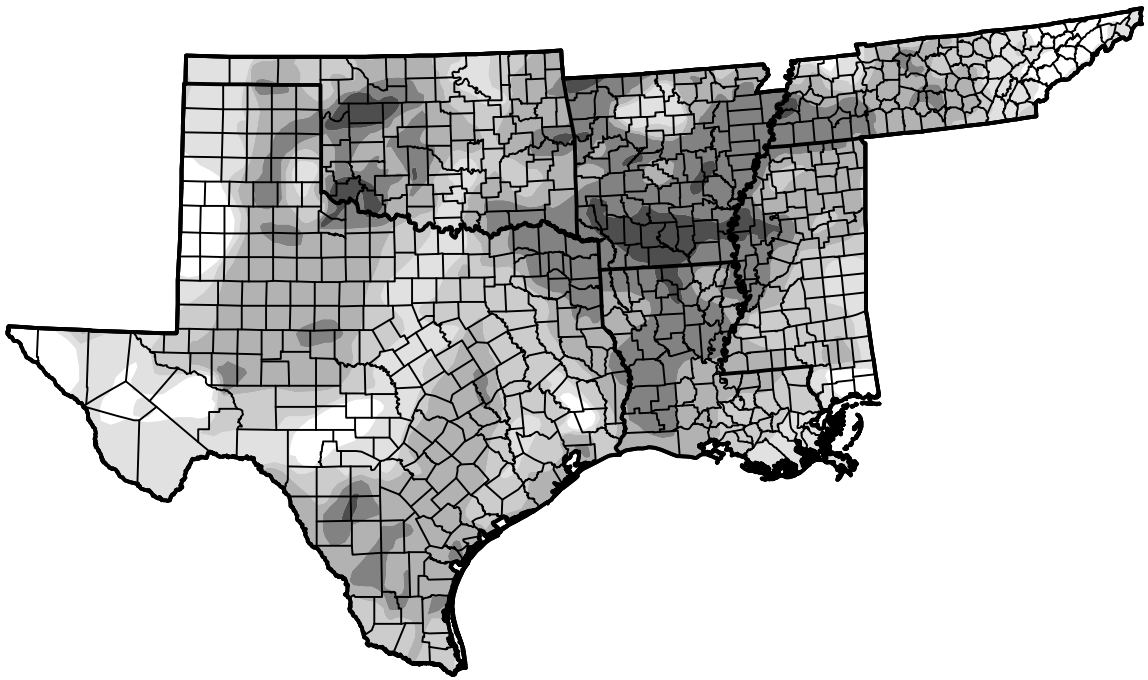
U.S. Drought Monitor

South



October 20, 2026

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6.08	93.92	77.64	56.86	23.75	3.66
Last Week *10-13-2026*	4.22	95.78	81.47	56.26	22.15	3.79
3 Months Ago *07-21-2026*	55.96	44.04	24.61	12.30	3.63	0.46
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	8.56	91.44	66.49	23.03	5.63	0.18
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	1.71	98.29	89.01	66.01	26.01	5.39
One Year Ago *10-21-2025*	19.44	80.56	37.08	10.69	3.06	0.15

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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