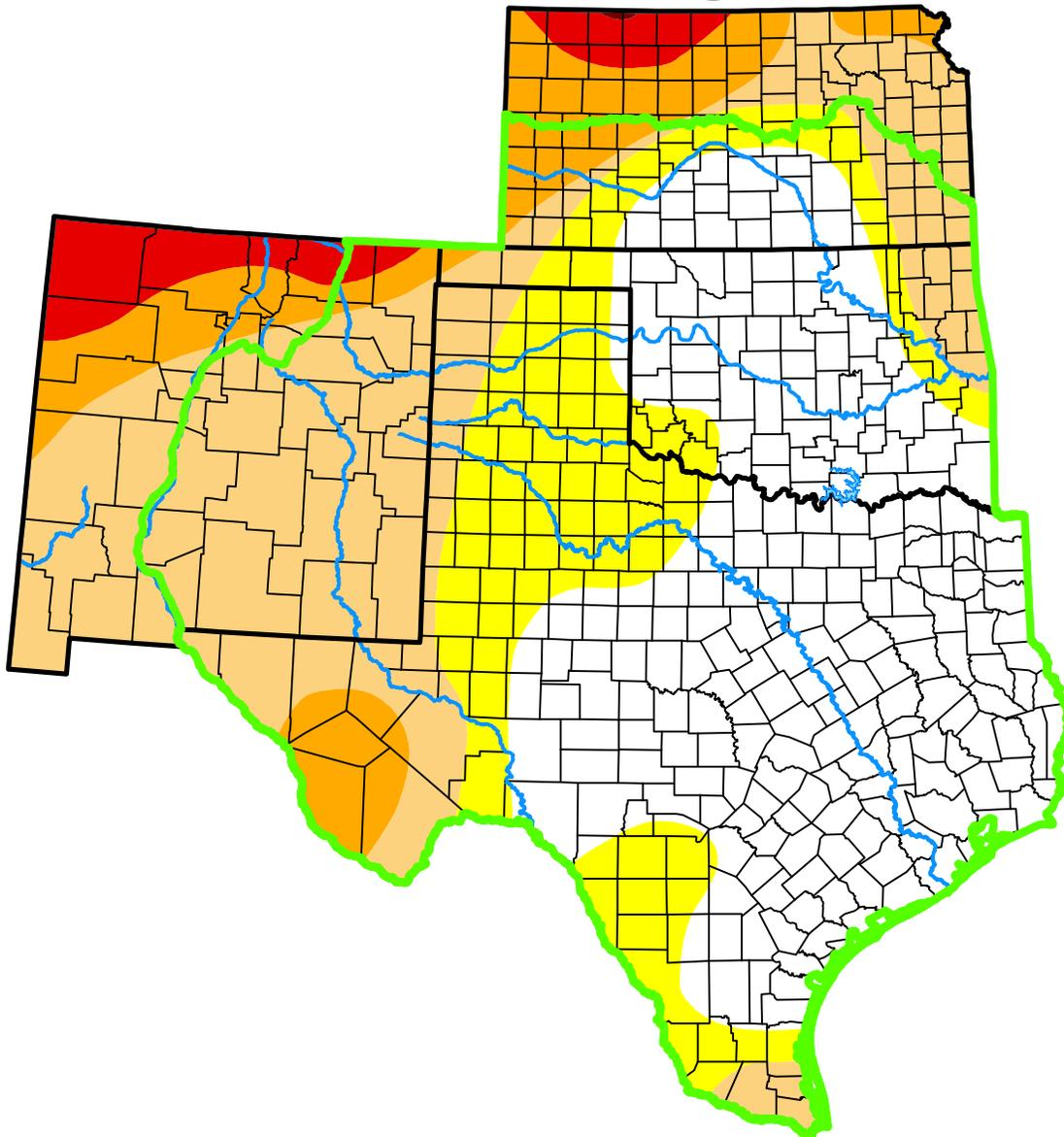


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	49.33	50.67	30.33	5.20	0.36	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-08-2002</i>	37.08	62.92	30.65	4.84	0.35	0.02
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-16-2002</i>	58.13	41.87	35.49	21.84	12.87	1.02
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	37.24	62.76	52.05	18.23	7.19	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	27.99	72.01	33.20	6.49	1.04	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-16-2001</i>	46.34	53.66	28.62	12.63	0.00	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

***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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