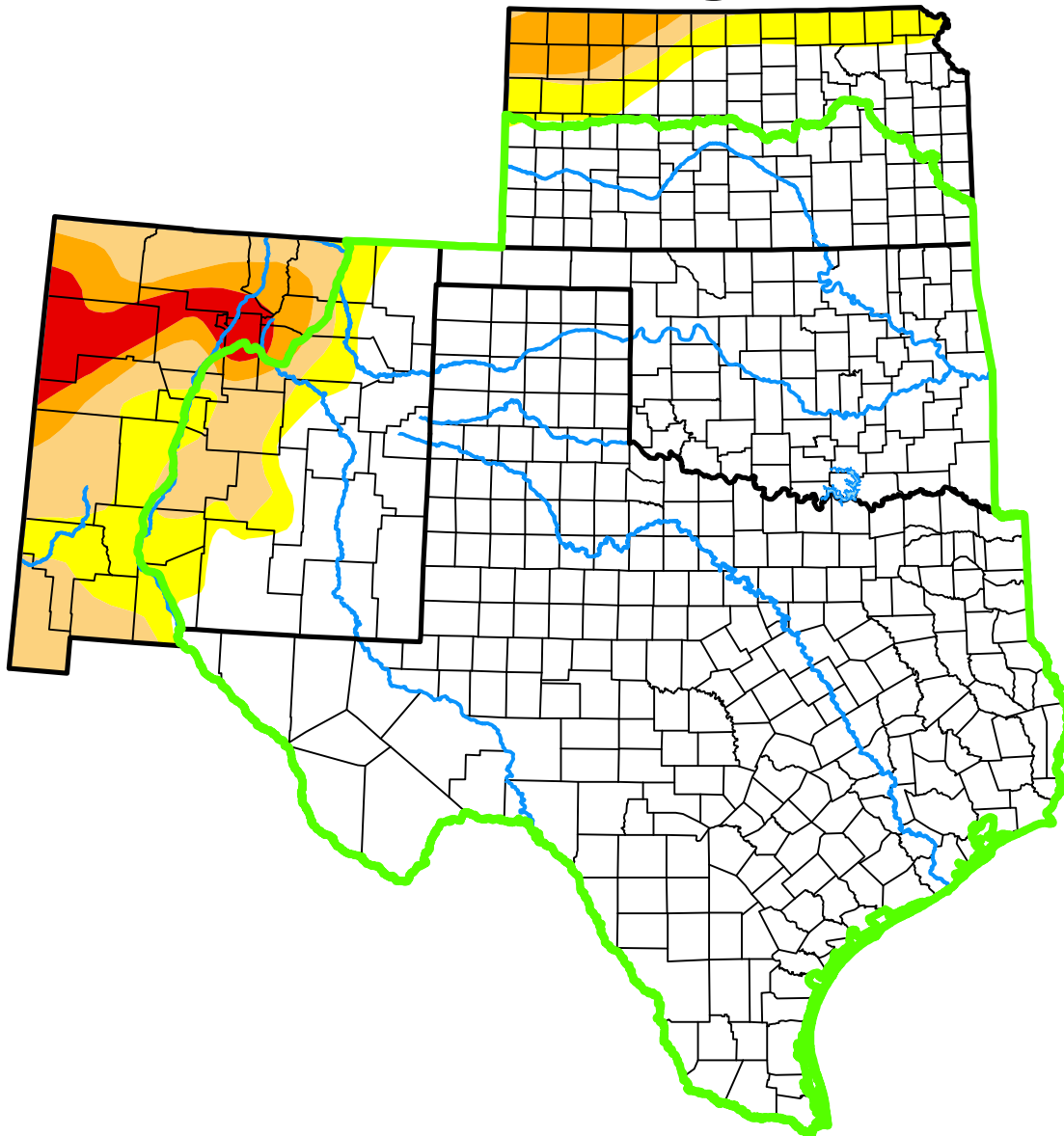


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

February 22, 2005
 (Released Thursday, Feb. 24, 2005)
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	94.60	5.40	2.58	0.28	0.07	0.00
Last Week <i>02-15-2005</i>	94.60	5.40	2.58	0.28	0.07	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-23-2004</i>	94.24	5.76	3.52	1.03	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	94.03	5.97	3.73	0.86	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	88.77	11.23	5.50	2.22	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-24-2004</i>	48.06	51.94	41.15	29.37	18.88	6.32

(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>

Author:

Richard Heim
 NCEI/NOAA

