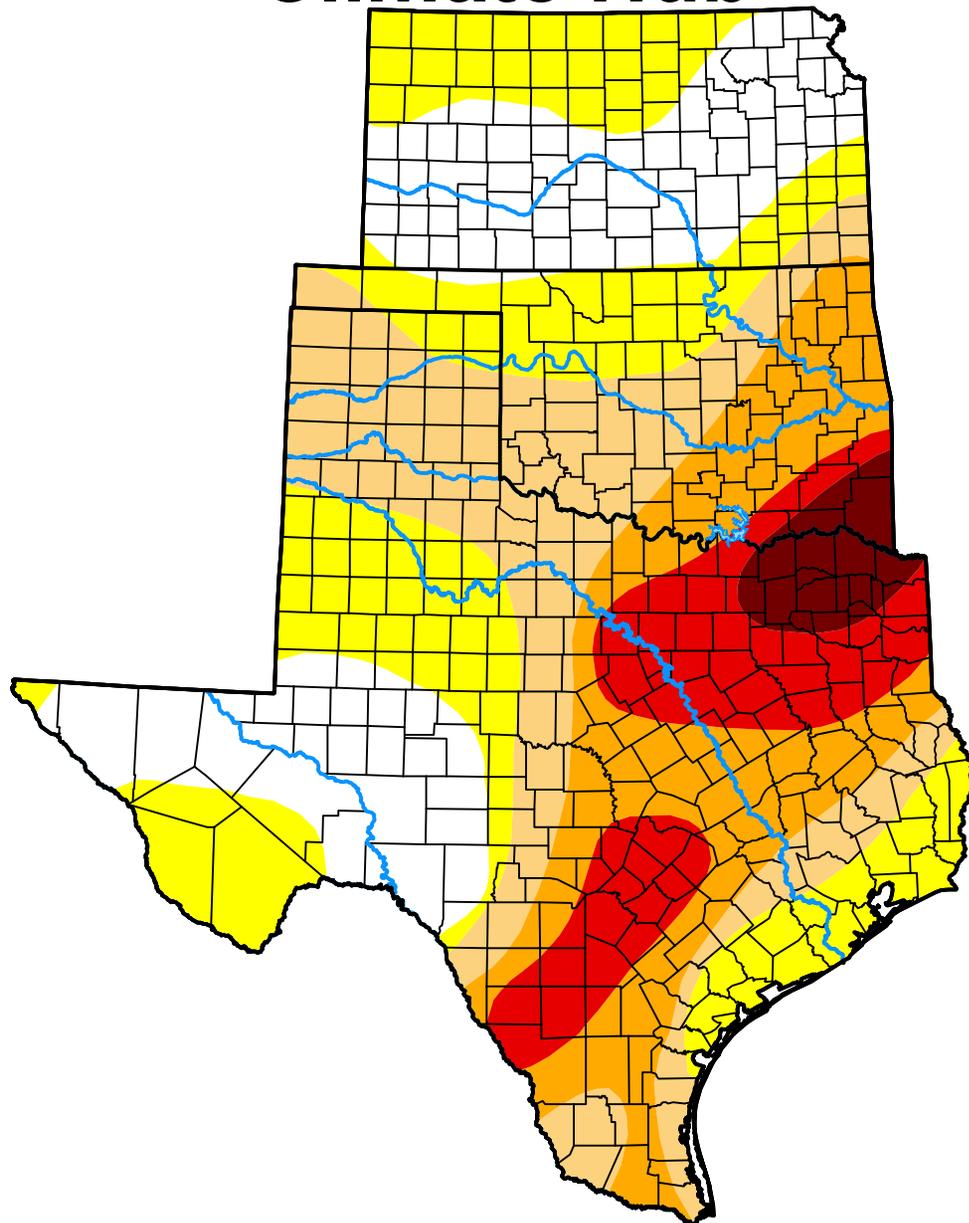


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.40	77.60	50.97	30.42	13.82	3.05
Last Week <i>12-13-2005</i>	22.72	77.28	50.52	25.87	6.61	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2005</i>	68.49	31.51	17.05	5.76	0.82	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	93.18	6.82	2.46	1.25	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	65.26	34.74	16.69	4.09	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2004</i>	93.18	6.82	2.46	1.25	0.00	0.00

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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