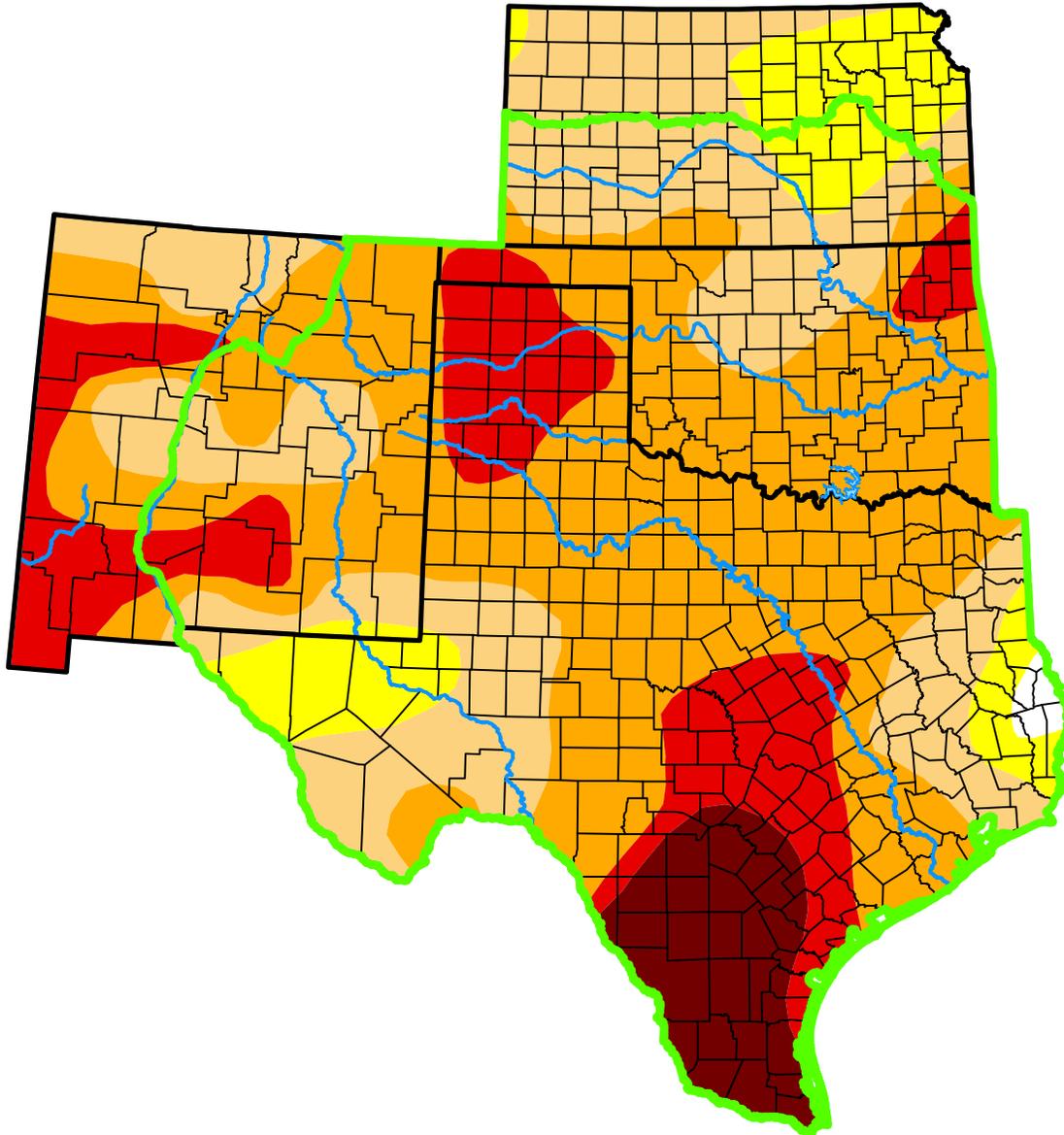


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

**March 21, 2006**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.57	6.96	24.29	46.52	14.01	7.65
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-14-2006</i>	0.70	2.04	21.73	34.41	32.05	9.06
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-20-2005</i>	18.06	31.00	22.09	15.74	10.21	2.89
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	15.99	30.52	23.48	15.39	11.22	3.40
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	64.63	18.87	12.62	3.88	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-22-2005</i>	91.72	6.60	1.67	0.01	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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