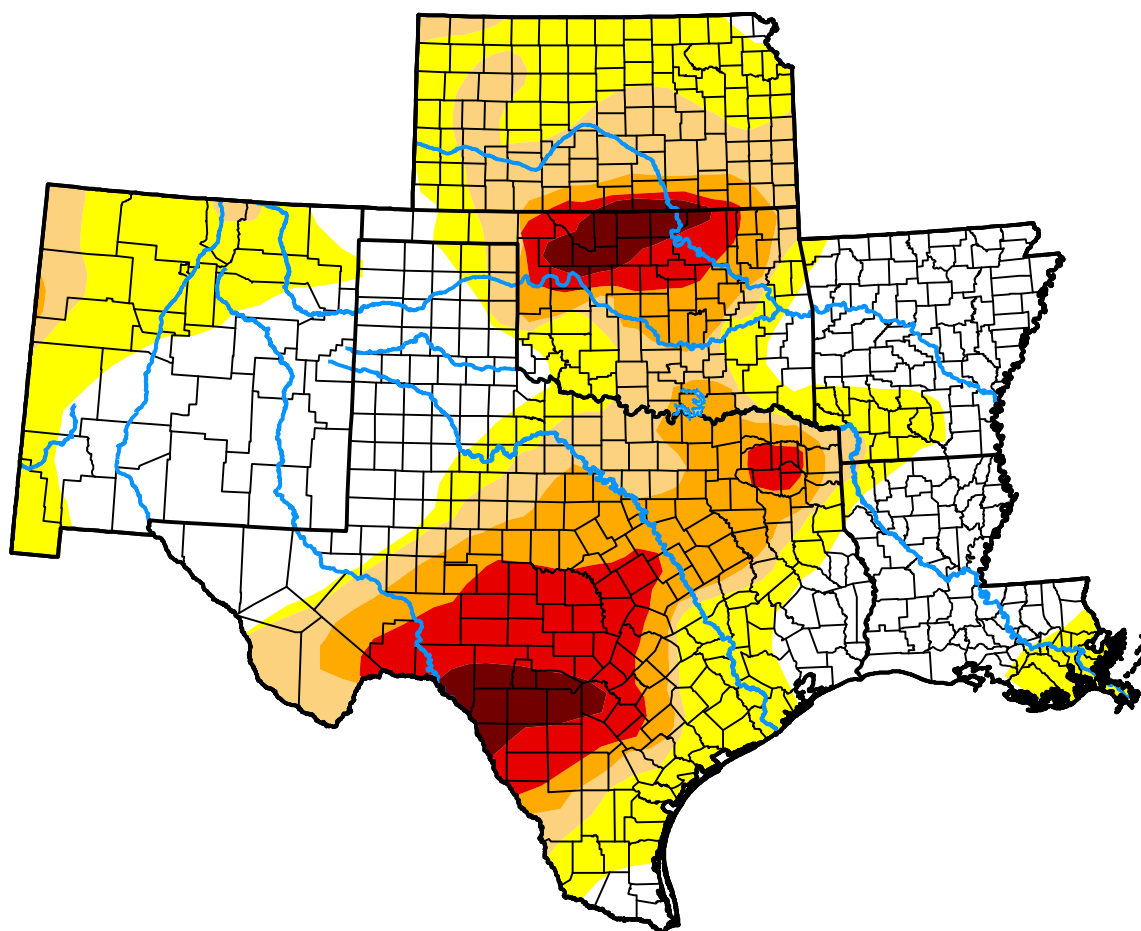


U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	36.24	63.76	37.79	22.63	11.01	2.87
Last Week <i>12-05-2006</i>	38.09	61.91	35.03	20.58	10.60	0.82
3 Months Ago <i>09-12-2006</i>	25.70	74.30	51.82	32.12	20.23	6.79
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	16.08	83.92	49.05	27.70	11.56	2.88
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	30.82	69.18	42.19	23.67	10.23	0.68
One Year Ago <i>12-13-2005</i>	16.66	83.34	48.77	20.78	5.14	0.00

Intensity:

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