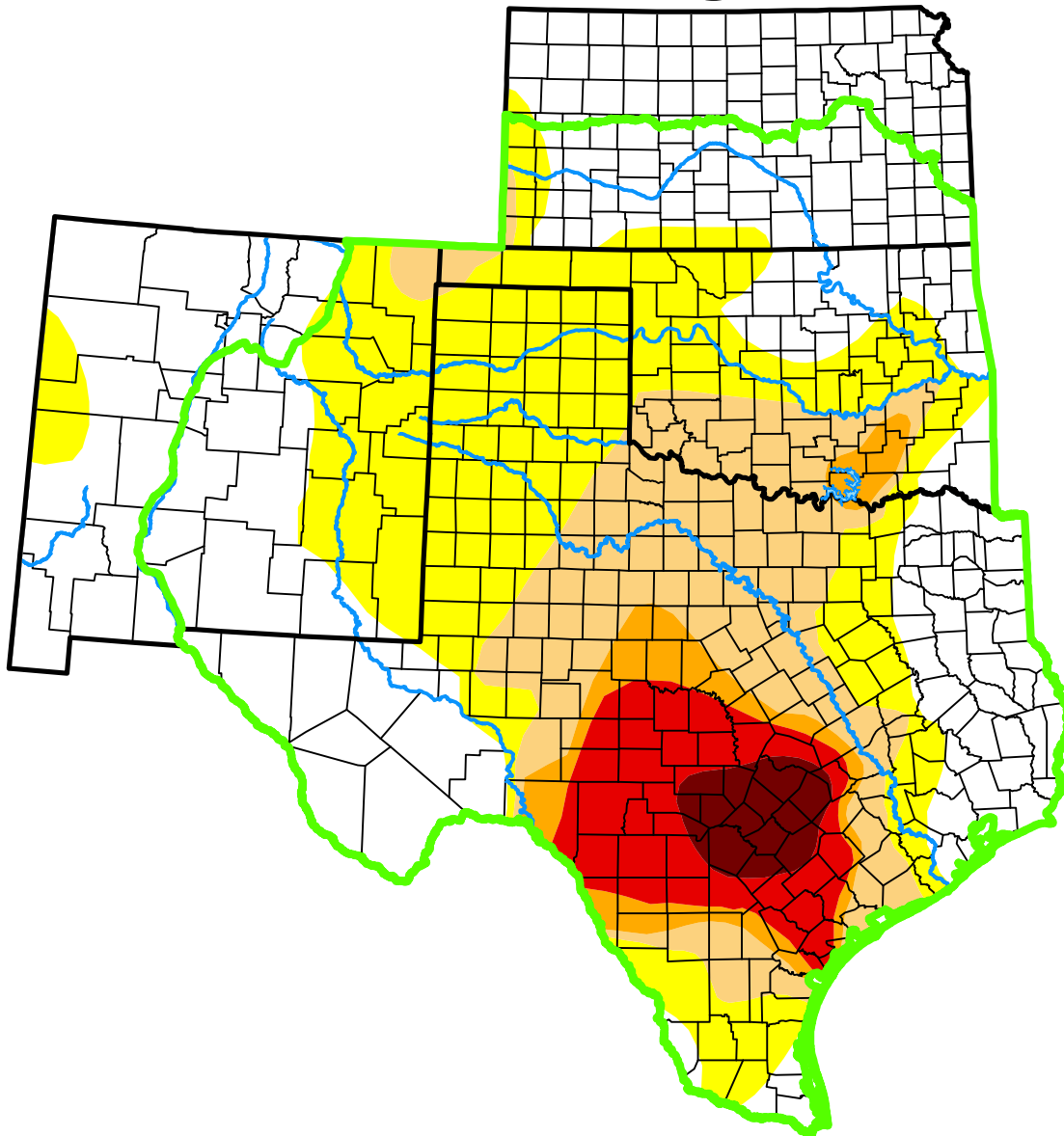


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

January 20, 2009
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 36.06 | 63.94 | 32.62 | 14.11 | 9.66 | 2.50 |
| Last Week <i>01-13-2009</i> | 37.32 | 62.68 | 30.92 | 13.12 | 9.07 | 2.50 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>10-21-2008</i> | 74.57 | 25.43 | 11.96 | 7.07 | 2.72 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i> | 55.60 | 44.40 | 17.22 | 9.56 | 5.47 | 2.50 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i> | 69.61 | 30.39 | 14.85 | 6.49 | 2.19 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>01-22-2008</i> | 38.51 | 61.49 | 18.37 | 0.00 | 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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