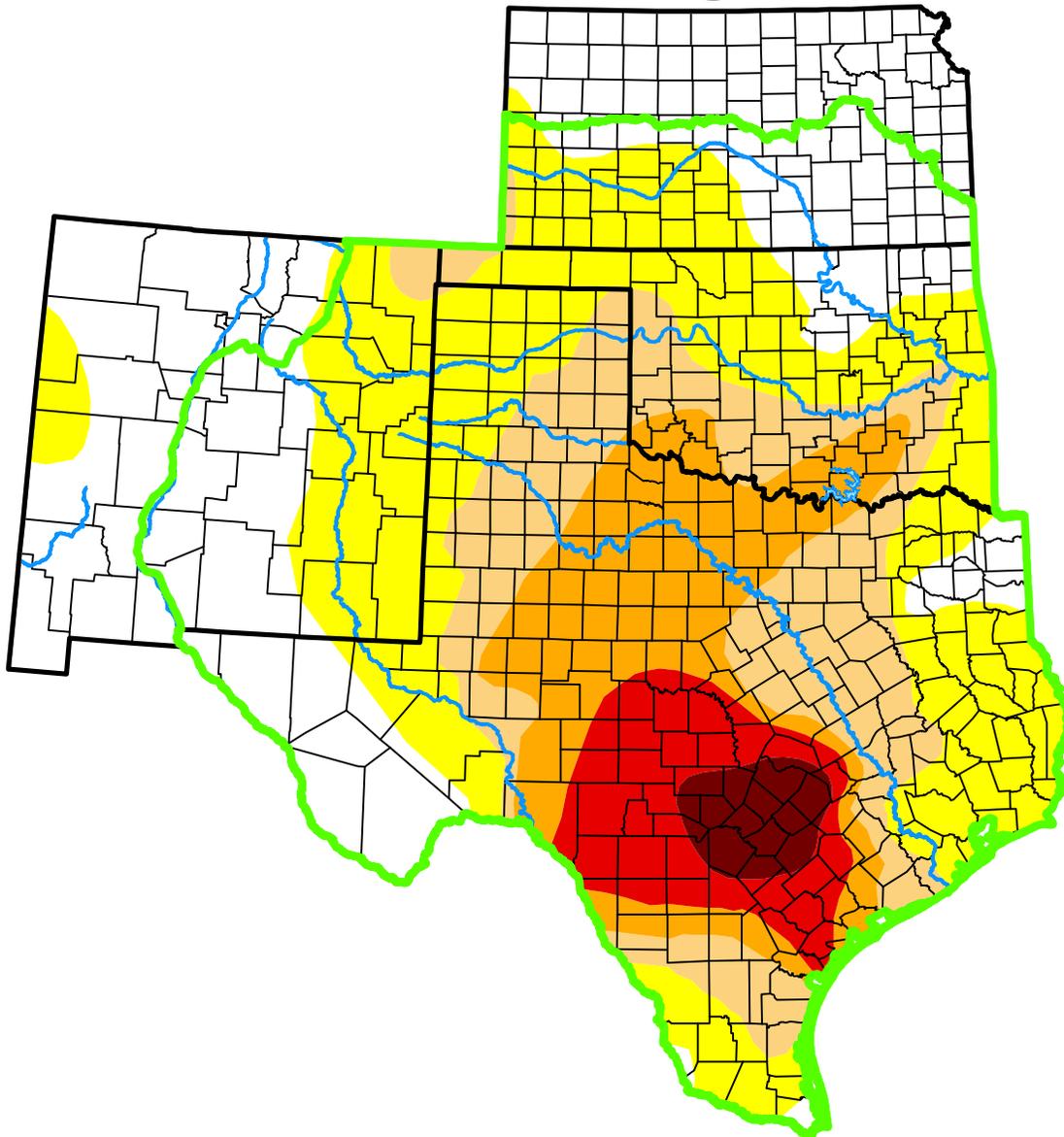


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.91	79.09	44.20	24.58	9.93	2.50
Last Week <i>01-20-2009</i>	36.06	63.94	32.62	14.11	9.66	2.50
3 Months Ago <i>10-28-2008</i>	68.69	31.31	14.77	9.15	3.03	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>01-29-2008</i>	30.74	69.26	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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