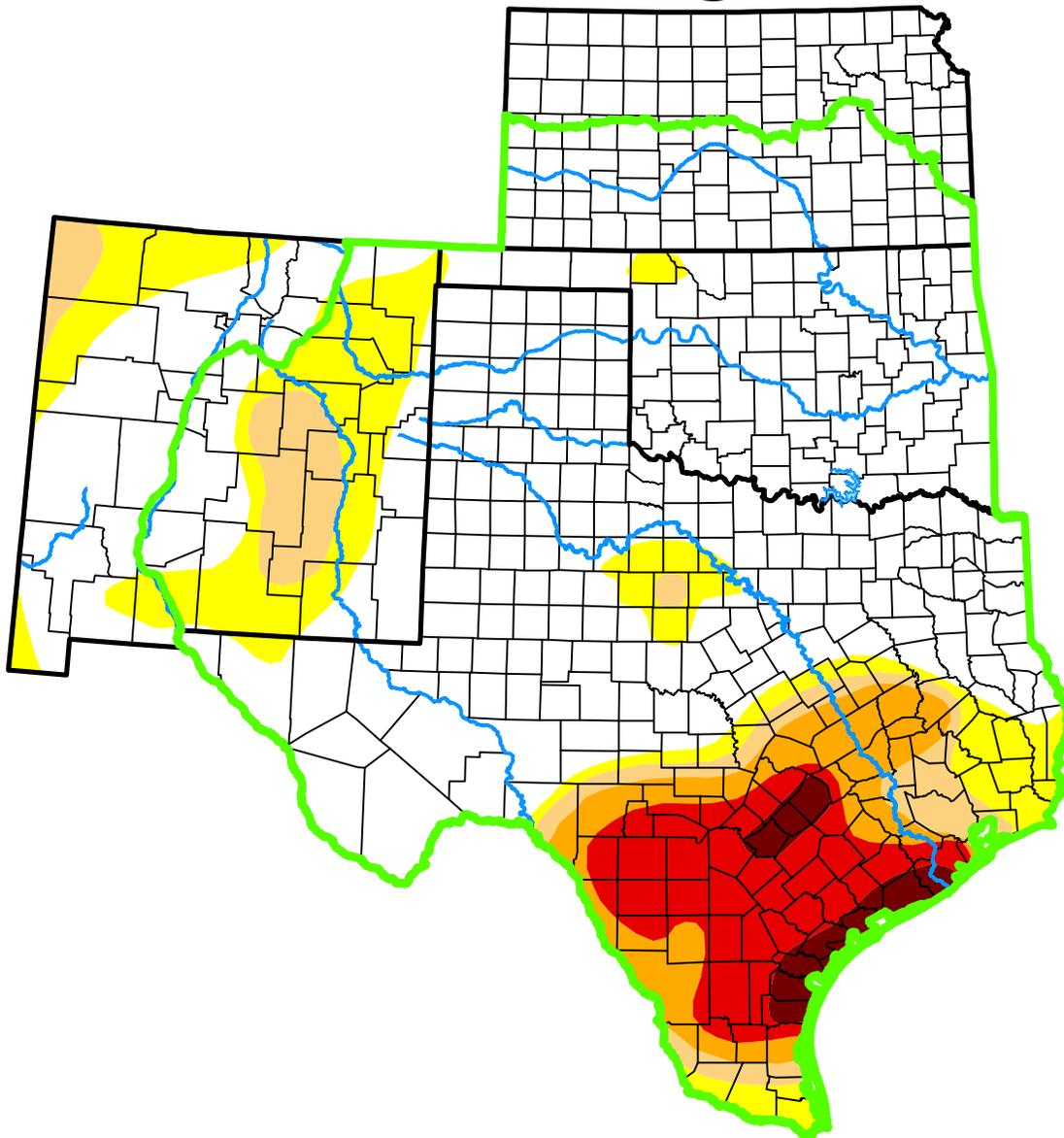


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

**September 15, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	67.56	11.61	5.64	5.65	7.50	2.03
<b>Last Week</b> <i>09-08-2009</i>	60.33	15.28	7.21	2.16	5.34	9.68
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>06-16-2009</i>	33.25	27.17	20.04	9.58	5.35	4.61
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.60	27.18	7.66	4.09	2.96	2.50
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	69.61	15.54	8.36	4.30	2.19	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>09-16-2008</i>	72.38	12.27	9.93	3.97	1.44	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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