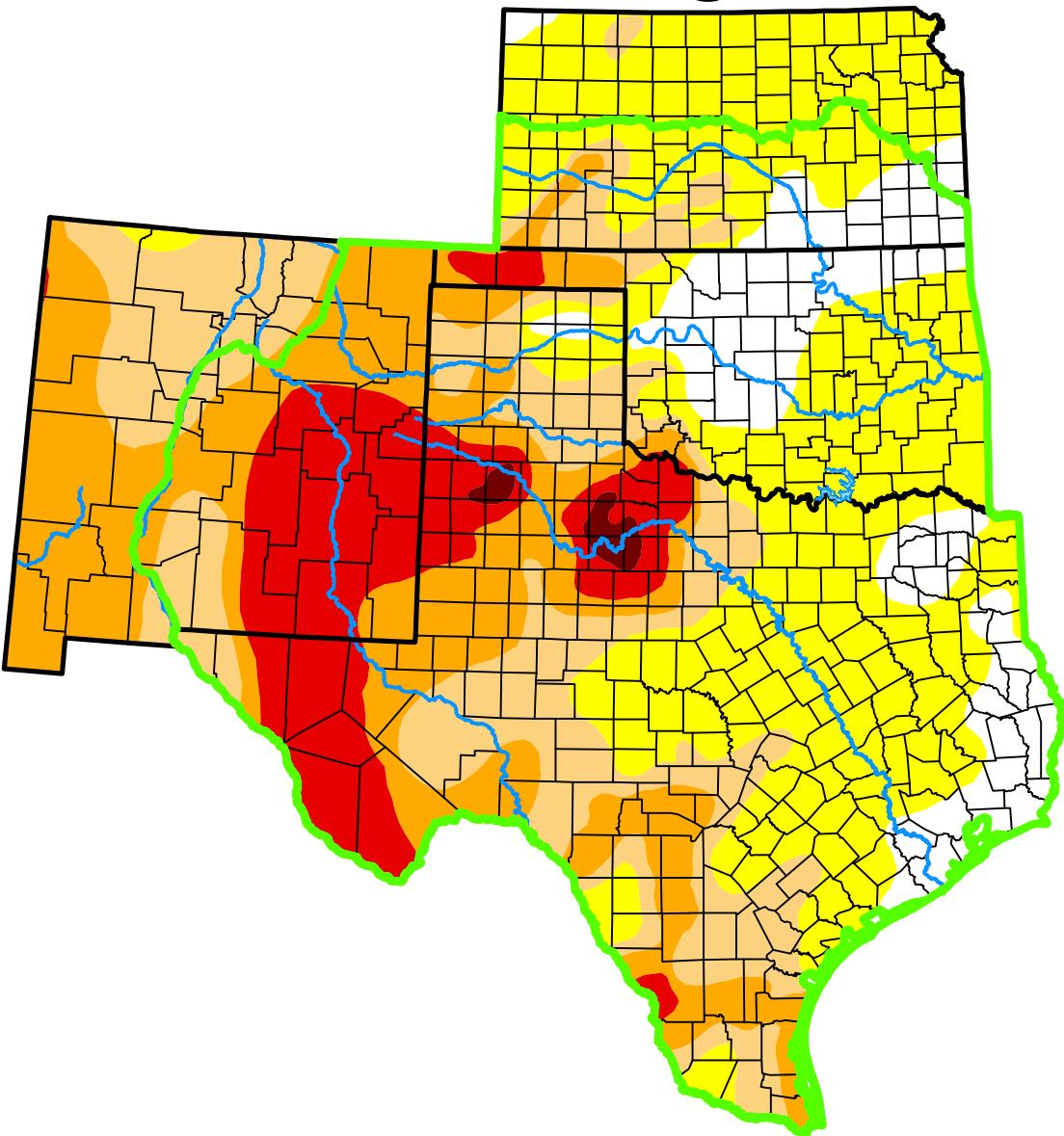


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



May 22, 2012

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	12.72	33.52	19.15	19.30	14.62	0.69
Last Week 05-15-2012	28.85	18.54	18.00	19.30	14.29	1.03
3 Months Ago 02-21-2012	7.75	7.90	20.66	28.76	23.65	11.28
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	2.88	3.17	16.40	23.79	31.51	22.25
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	0.00	0.02	1.23	10.42	15.15	73.18
One Year Ago 05-24-2011	7.56	4.00	6.38	15.90	29.31	36.85

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

### Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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