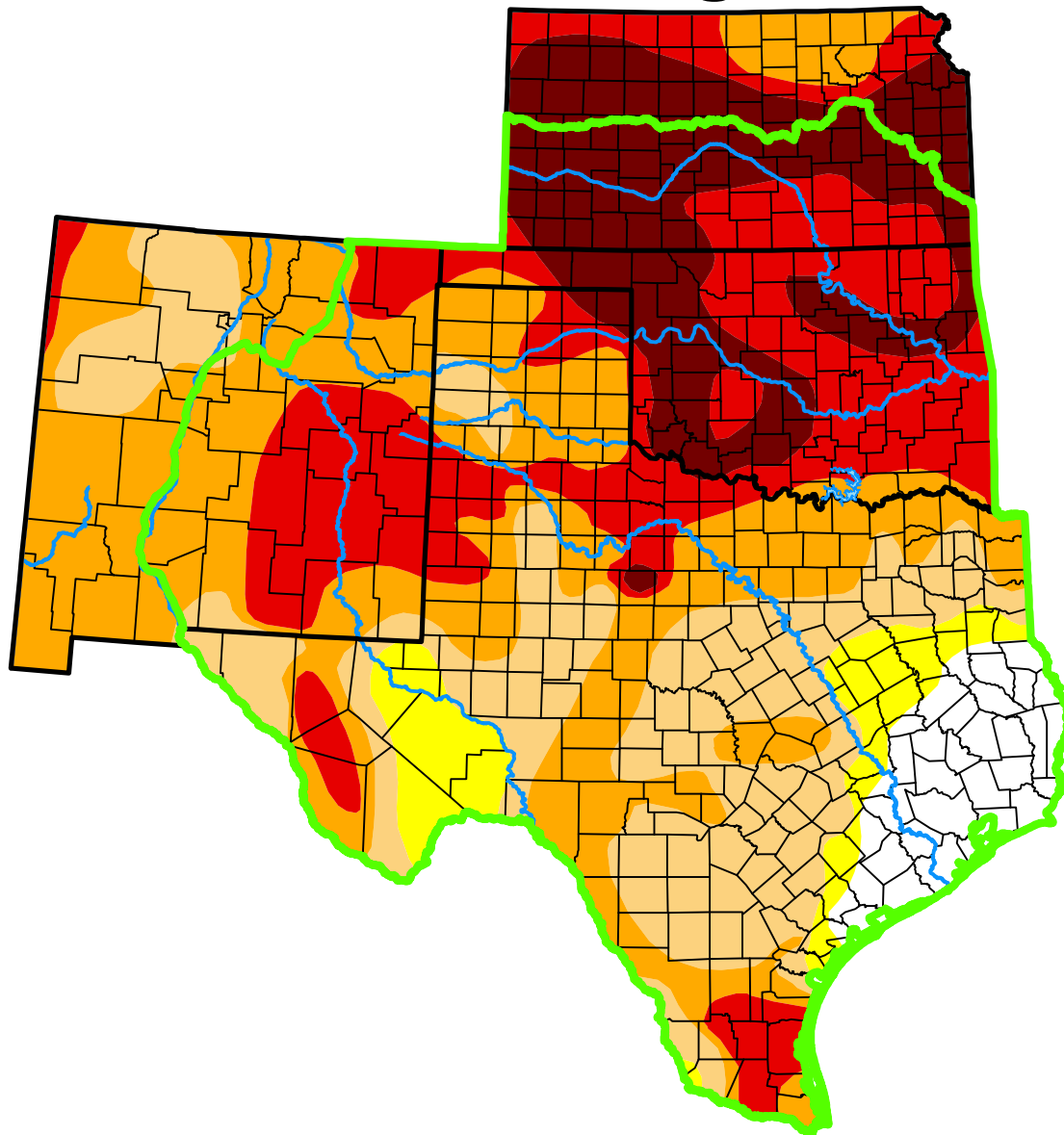


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	6.68	6.14	21.51	26.76	25.36	13.55
Last Week <i>08-07-2012</i>	6.86	8.08	22.61	24.28	30.95	7.22
3 Months Ago <i>05-15-2012</i>	28.85	18.54	18.00	19.30	14.29	1.03
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	2.88	3.17	16.40	23.79	31.51	22.25
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	0.00	0.02	1.23	10.42	15.15	73.18
One Year Ago <i>08-16-2011</i>	0.04	0.14	2.76	9.45	20.51	67.09

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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