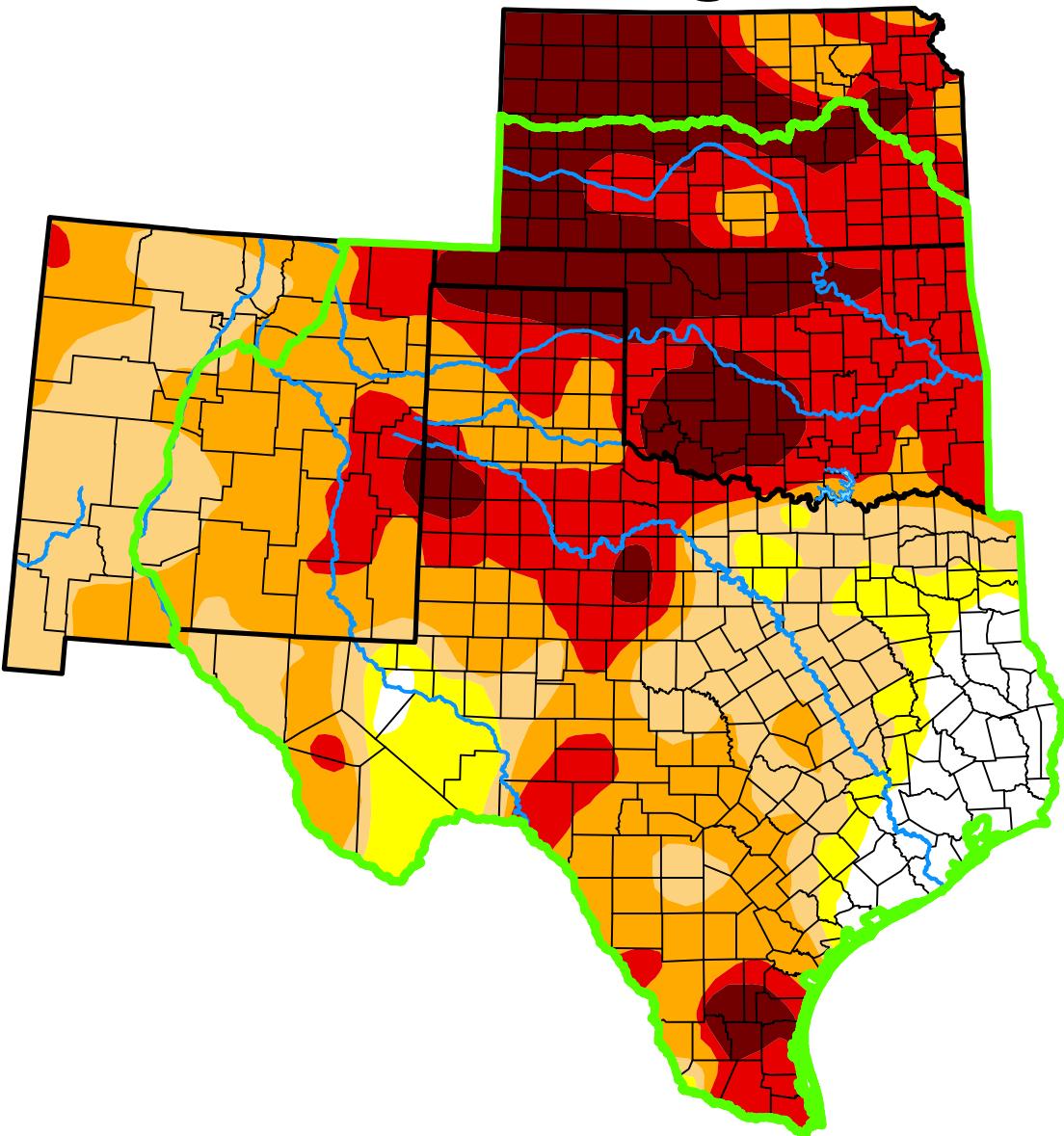


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



September 18, 2012  
(Released Thursday, Sep. 20, 2012)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|   | None  | D0-D4  | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|---|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Current                                 | 6.79  | 93.21  | 85.61 | 69.22 | 41.21 | 14.11 |
| Last Week<br>09-11-2012                 | 4.38  | 95.62  | 85.84 | 69.34 | 41.29 | 15.02 |
| 3 Months Ago<br>06-19-2012              | 11.26 | 88.74  | 67.88 | 33.25 | 10.82 | 0.00  |
| Start of<br>Calendar Year<br>01-03-2012 | 2.88  | 97.12  | 93.95 | 77.55 | 53.77 | 22.25 |
| Start of<br>Water Year<br>09-27-2011    | 0.00  | 100.00 | 99.98 | 98.75 | 88.33 | 73.18 |
| One Year Ago<br>09-20-2011              | 0.00  | 100.00 | 99.98 | 98.56 | 89.51 | 72.99 |

(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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