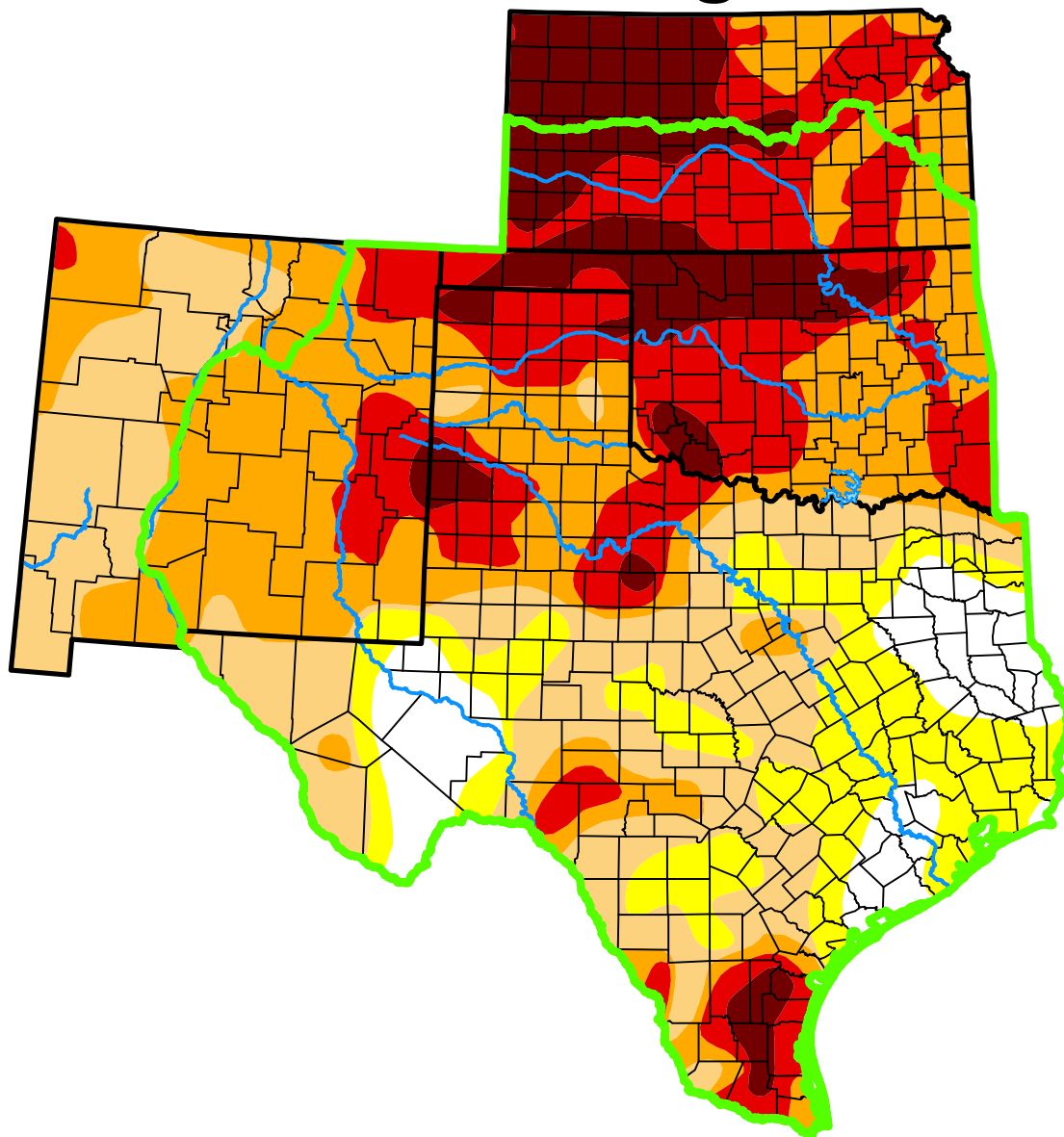


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**October 23, 2012**

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	8.51	14.97	18.81	26.79	21.35	9.57
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-16-2012</i>	10.29	12.42	19.59	26.72	21.42	9.57
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-24-2012</i>	7.44	10.44	24.62	30.49	25.04	1.96
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	2.88	3.17	16.40	23.79	31.51	22.25
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	5.50	7.31	14.58	30.19	28.12	14.30
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-25-2011</i>	0.04	0.11	1.45	11.68	27.23	59.49

(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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