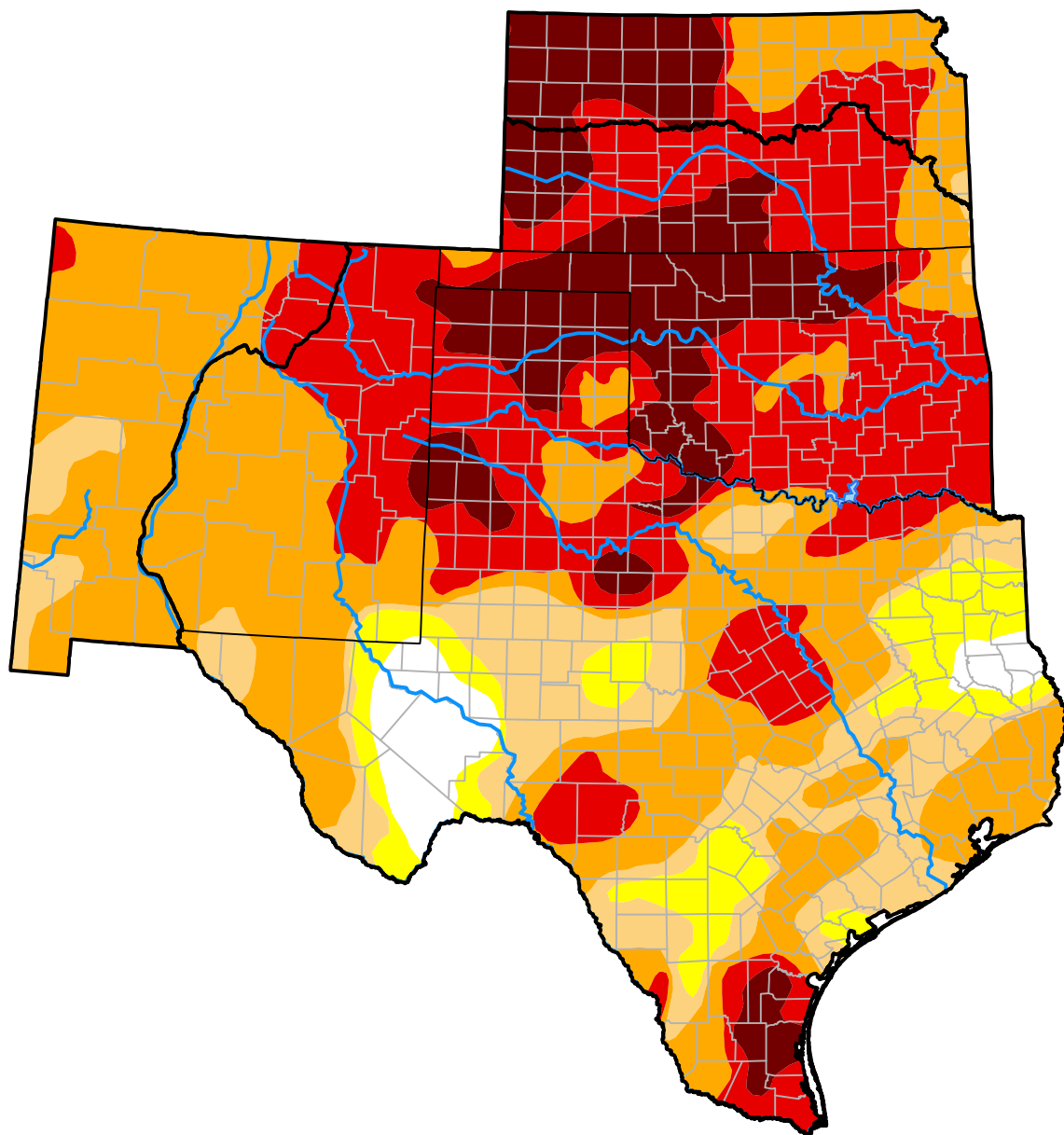


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**December 4, 2012**  
*(Released Thursday, Dec. 6, 2012)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 3.60 | 7.05  | 15.09 | 38.18 | 25.63 | 10.45 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>11-29-2012</i>              | 3.60 | 8.04  | 16.90 | 37.23 | 24.27 | 9.97  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-06-2012</i>           | 5.98 | 10.04 | 26.48 | 28.00 | 21.17 | 8.32  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 4.58 | 3.24  | 16.00 | 26.67 | 28.11 | 21.41 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2012</i>    | 5.30 | 7.05  | 22.35 | 32.98 | 22.69 | 9.63  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-08-2011</i>           | 4.14 | 2.21  | 11.69 | 16.97 | 34.63 | 30.36 |

### 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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