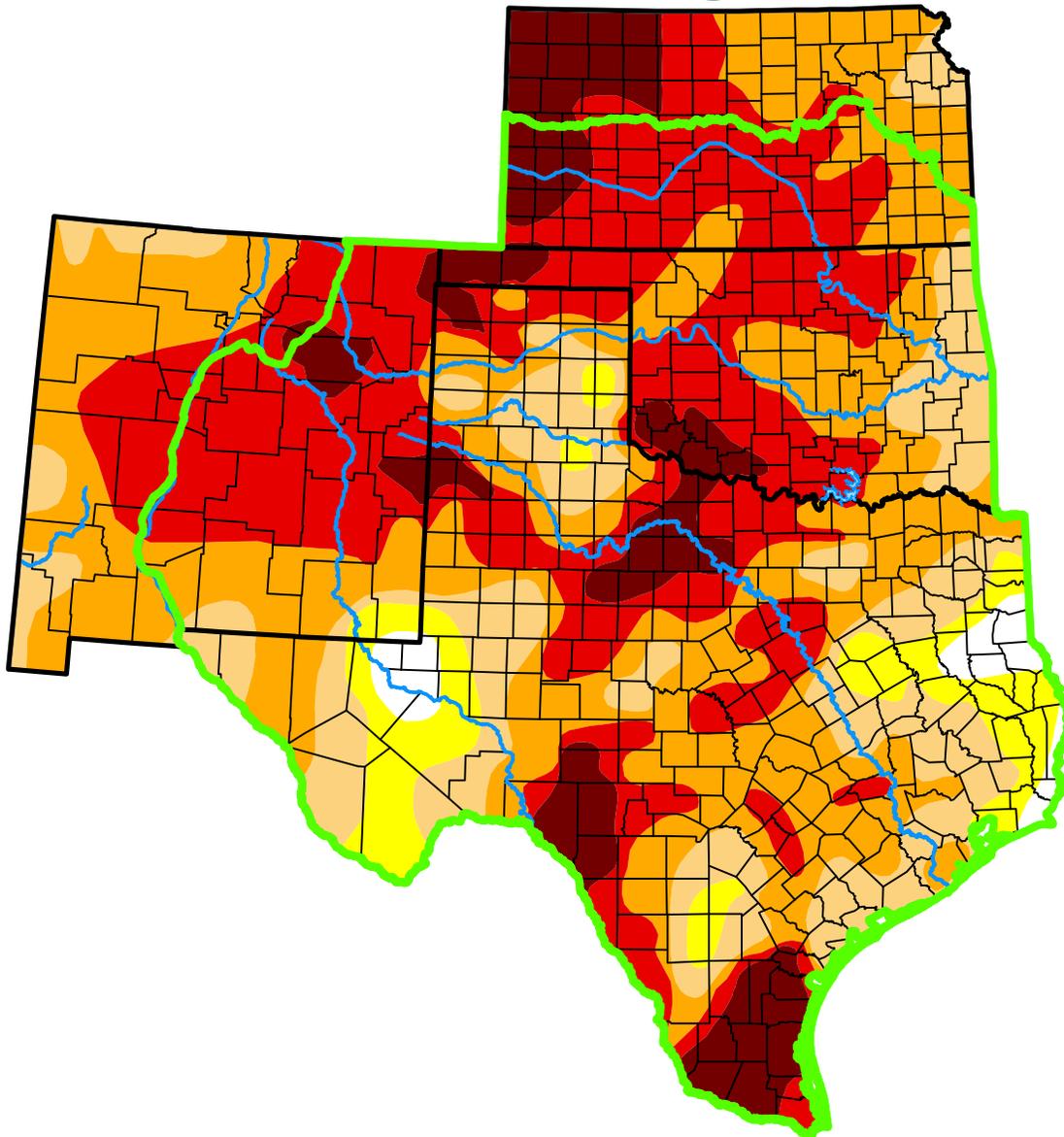


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

**March 19, 2013**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	2.25	97.75	90.56	71.93	43.06	9.89
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-12-2013</i>	7.00	93.00	85.61	68.64	40.74	9.10
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-18-2012</i>	2.74	97.26	92.63	77.81	49.26	14.69
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2013</i>	1.83	98.17	91.85	78.58	51.15	16.33
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	5.50	94.50	87.19	72.60	42.42	14.30
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-20-2012</i>	16.48	83.52	73.39	51.77	31.67	13.86

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

**Intensity:**



*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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