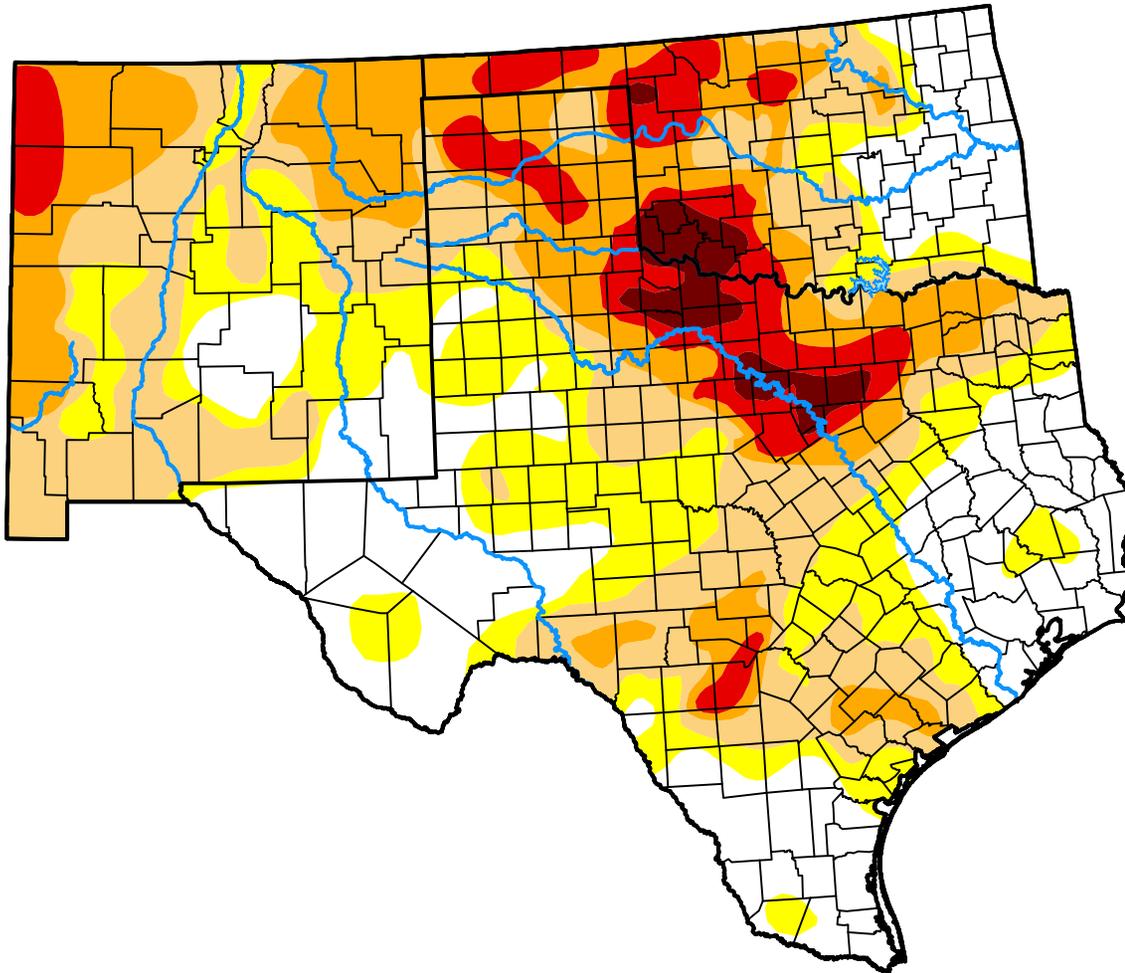


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**December 16, 2014**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 18, 2014)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 26.75 | 73.25 | 52.25 | 27.60 | 10.14 | 2.37 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-09-2014</i>              | 26.47 | 73.53 | 51.98 | 27.54 | 10.14 | 2.37 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-16-2014</i>           | 13.88 | 86.12 | 61.74 | 37.32 | 11.25 | 1.39 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 24.42 | 75.58 | 51.33 | 23.89 | 5.17  | 0.82 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 22.55 | 77.45 | 56.30 | 34.05 | 11.89 | 2.28 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-17-2013</i>           | 22.54 | 77.46 | 53.57 | 25.78 | 5.71  | 1.05 |

**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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