

# U.S. Drought Monitor

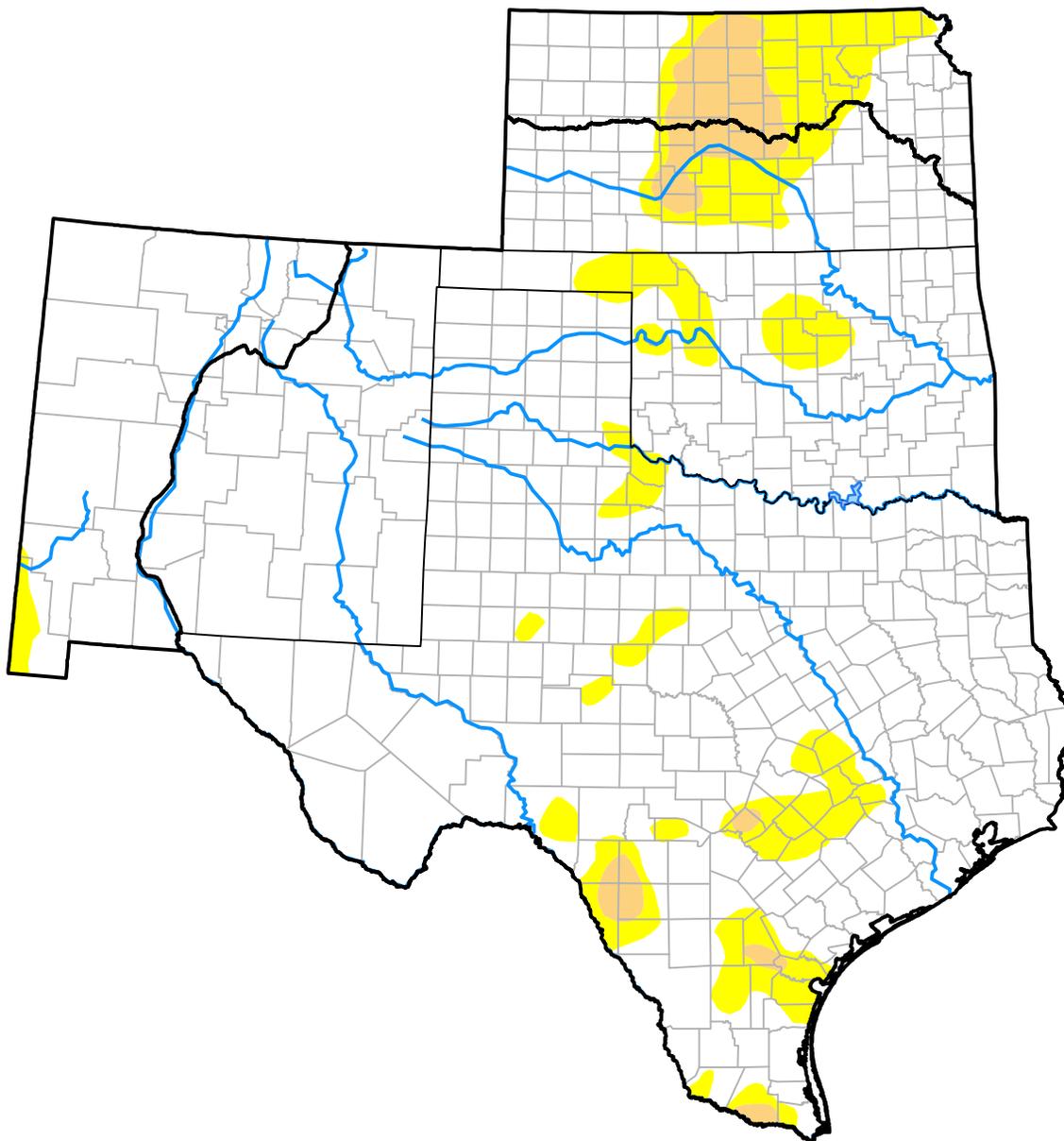
## Southern Plains RDEWS

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	91.53	8.47	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-10-2017</i>	81.77	18.23	4.59	0.53	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-18-2017</i>	72.25	27.75	6.42	0.70	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2017</i>	65.81	34.19	17.53	9.68	0.87	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2016</i>	78.11	21.89	4.30	0.47	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-18-2016</i>	54.35	45.65	10.83	0.45	0.00	0.00



**Intensity:**

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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