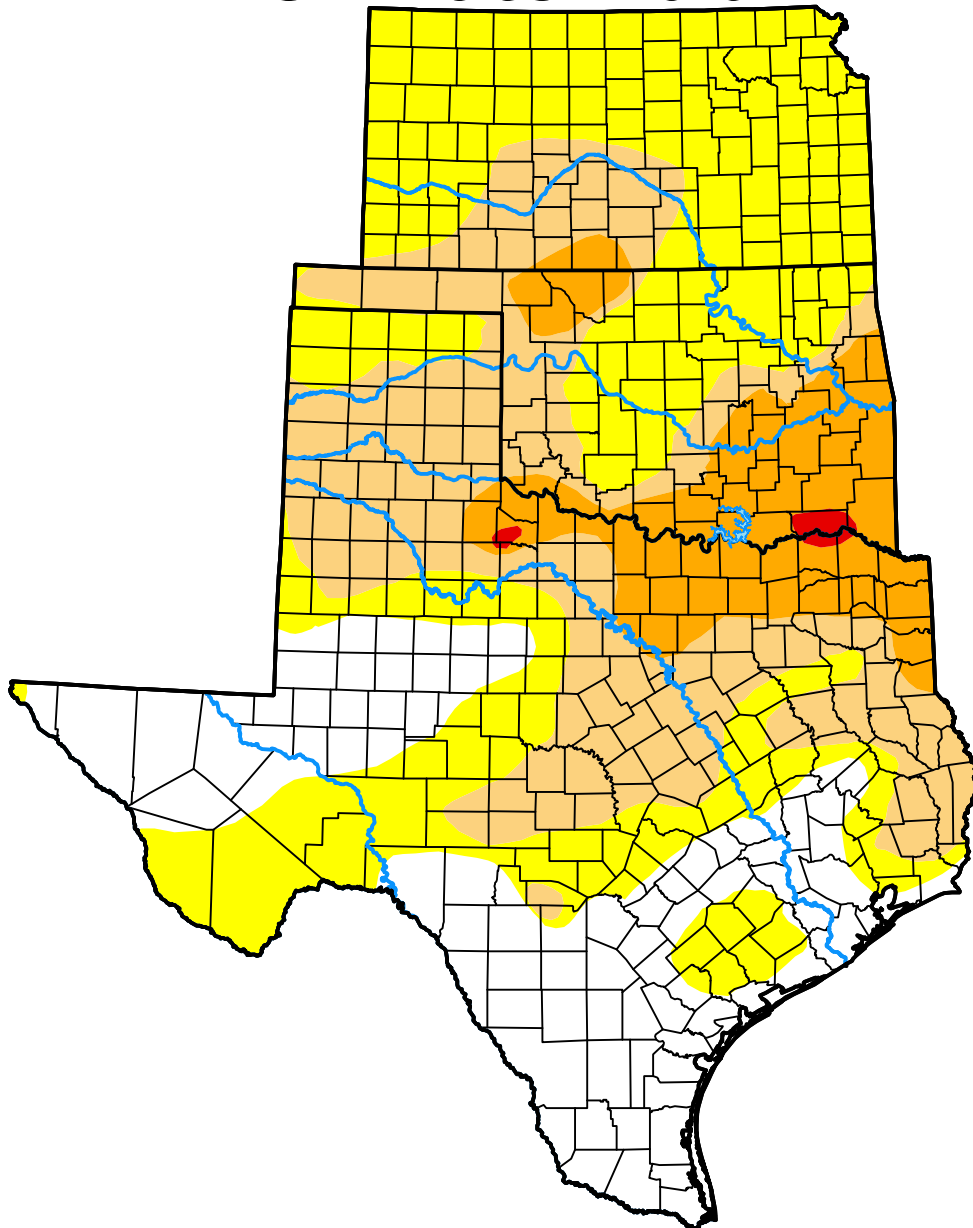


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	22.95	38.55	26.28	11.86	0.36	0.00
Last Week 12-12-2017	18.32	51.79	17.33	11.56	1.01	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-19-2017	69.83	23.71	5.92	0.54	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	56.13	19.88	10.73	12.31	0.95	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	67.42	27.81	4.47	0.29	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 12-20-2016	61.81	15.16	12.01	10.47	0.55	0.00

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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