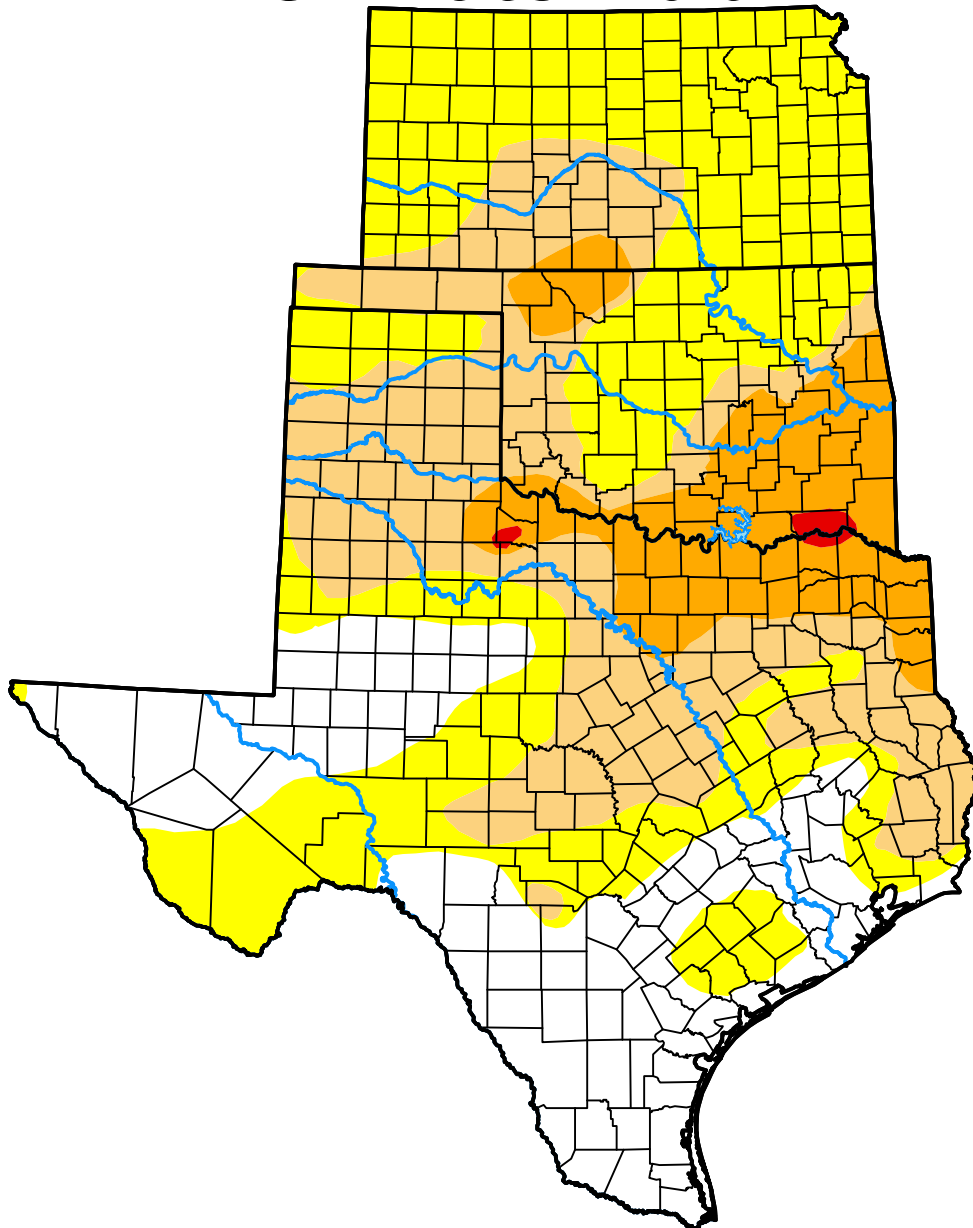


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.95	77.05	38.50	12.22	0.36	0.00
Last Week <i>12-12-2017</i>	18.32	81.68	29.89	12.57	1.01	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2017</i>	69.83	30.17	6.46	0.54	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2017</i>	56.13	43.87	23.99	13.27	0.95	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2017</i>	67.42	32.58	4.77	0.29	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2016</i>	61.81	38.19	23.03	11.02	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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