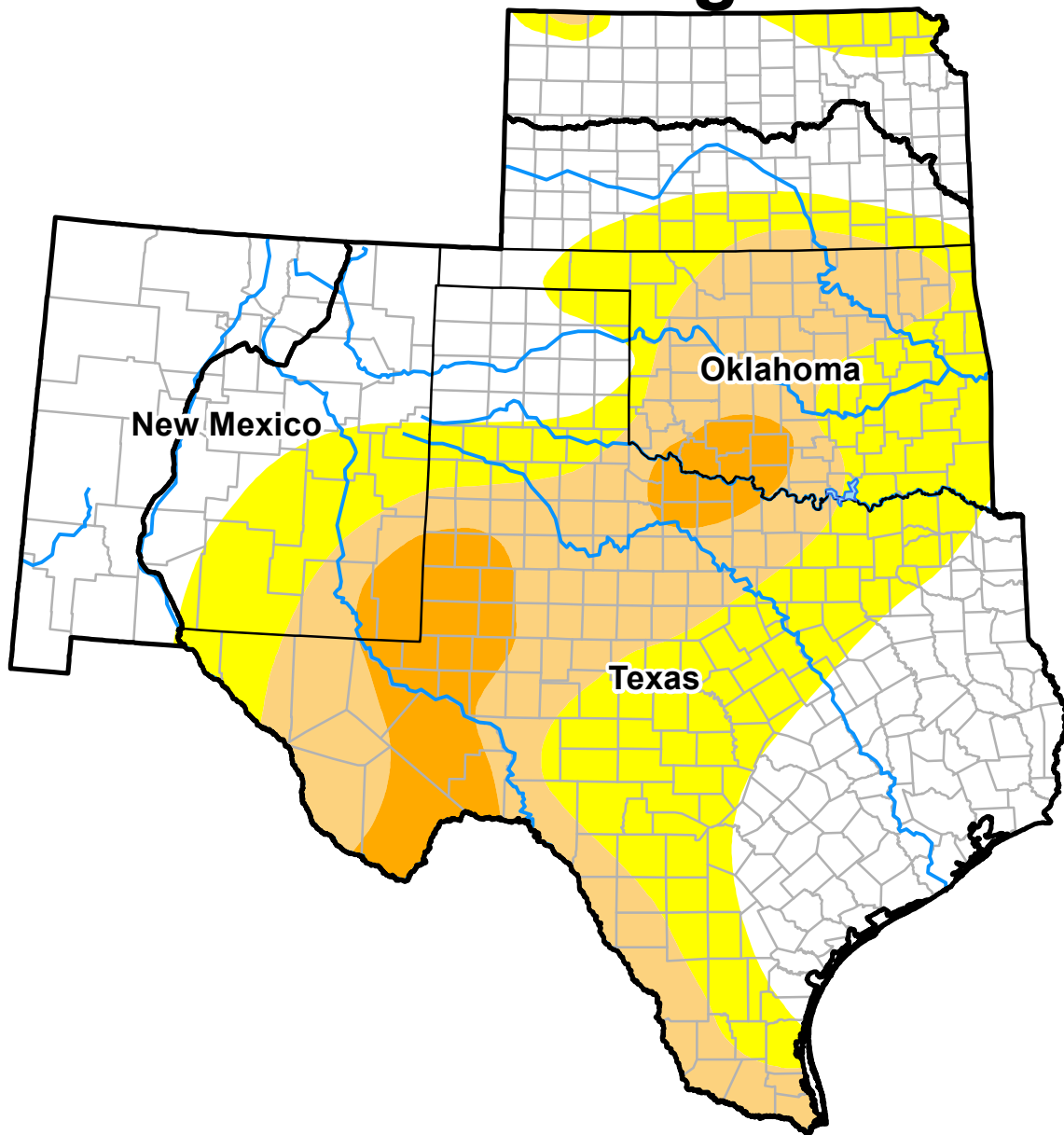


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	44.72	27.04	21.15	7.10	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-28-2001</i>	37.82	26.01	23.78	11.76	0.63	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-05-2001</i>	84.28	9.62	4.48	1.62	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2001</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2000</i>	4.67	11.95	22.40	53.07	7.91	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-05-2000</i>	6.67	27.81	30.51	26.01	7.88	1.12

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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