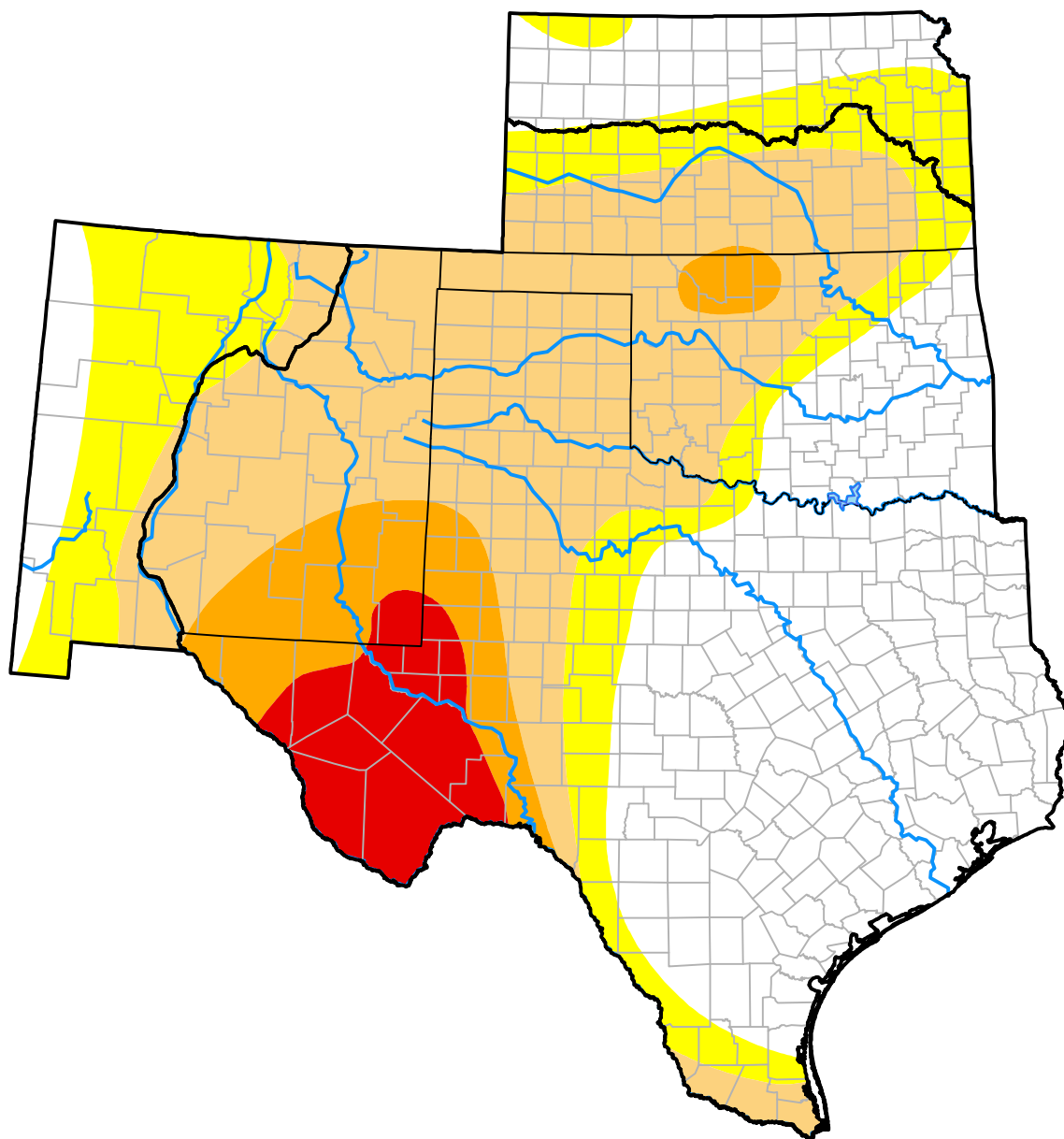


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.04	14.95	29.88	8.34	6.80	0.00
Last Week <i>12-13-2001</i>	39.14	14.83	31.78	7.08	7.17	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2001</i>	43.18	26.75	19.40	10.67	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2001</i>	68.19	21.50	9.34	0.97	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2001</i>	46.30	25.39	17.64	10.67	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2000</i>	65.84	22.08	11.10	0.97	0.00	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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