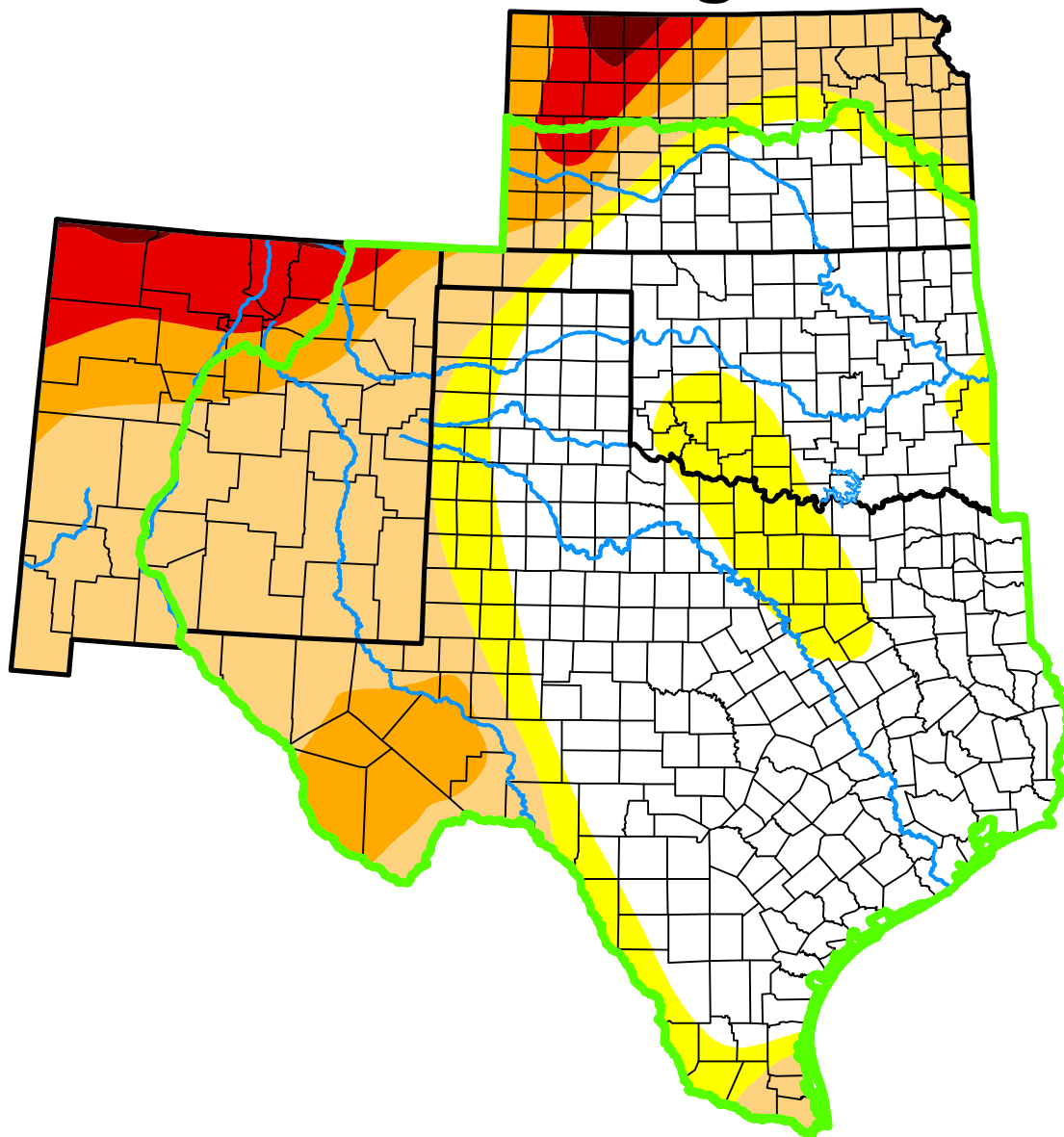


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS

### and Surrounding Areas



**September 24, 2002**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 57.26 | 14.06 | 20.97 | 7.11  | 0.59  | 0.01 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-17-2002</i>              | 53.47 | 17.37 | 20.45 | 7.92  | 0.74  | 0.05 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-25-2002</i>           | 35.51 | 15.41 | 14.46 | 16.87 | 16.26 | 1.49 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 37.24 | 10.70 | 33.82 | 11.04 | 7.19  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2001</i>    | 46.36 | 24.38 | 18.19 | 11.07 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-25-2001</i>           | 46.36 | 24.38 | 18.19 | 11.07 | 0.00  | 0.00 |

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

#### 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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