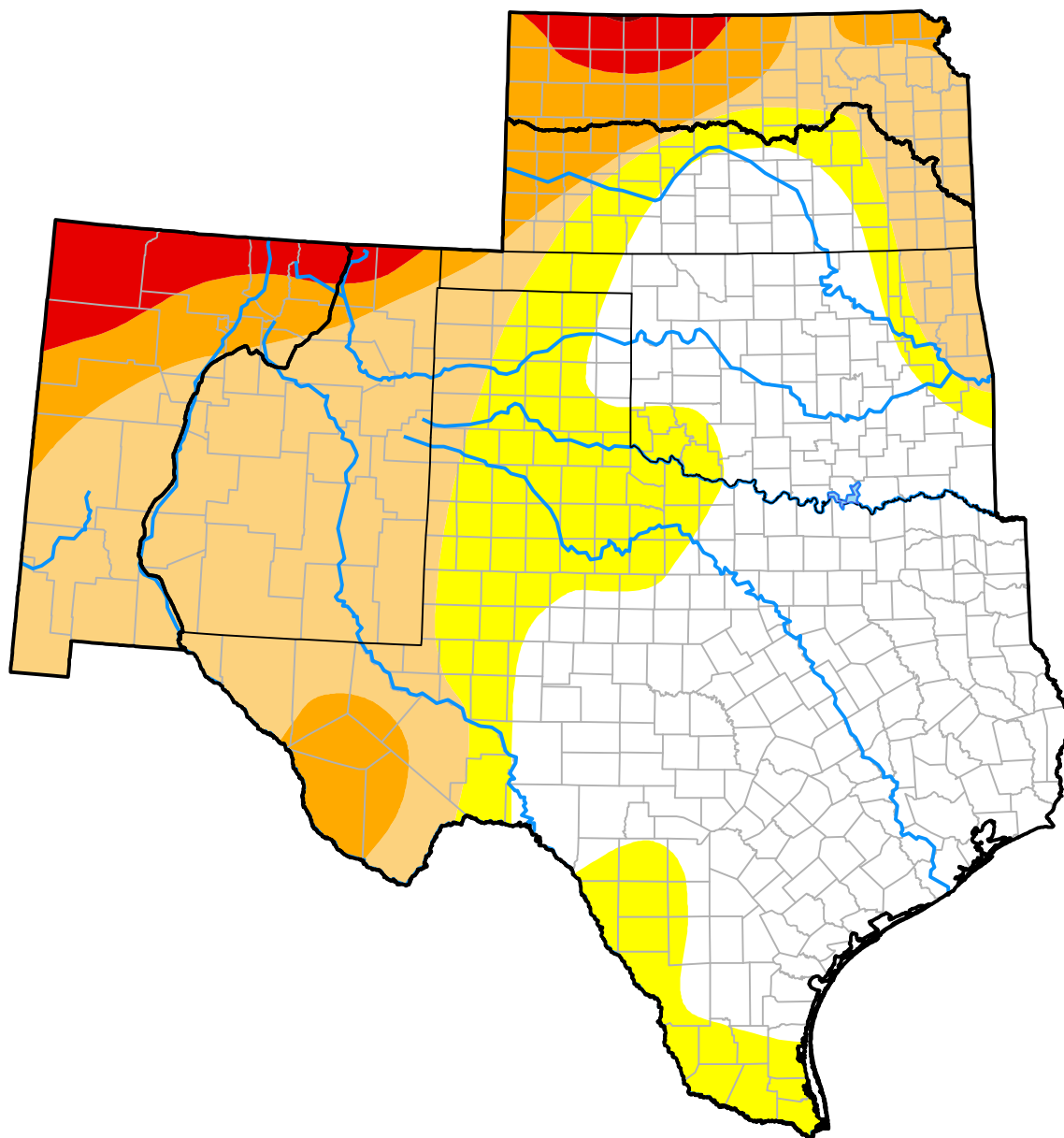


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	45.06	54.94	37.53	10.26	3.56	0.00
Last Week <i>10-17-2002</i>	44.17	55.83	38.53	10.00	3.45	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-25-2002</i>	46.63	53.37	44.16	28.85	20.61	5.99
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	38.02	61.98	44.37	17.45	6.93	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	26.44	73.56	41.49	10.80	3.14	0.14
One Year Ago <i>10-25-2001</i>	42.71	57.29	37.70	14.76	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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