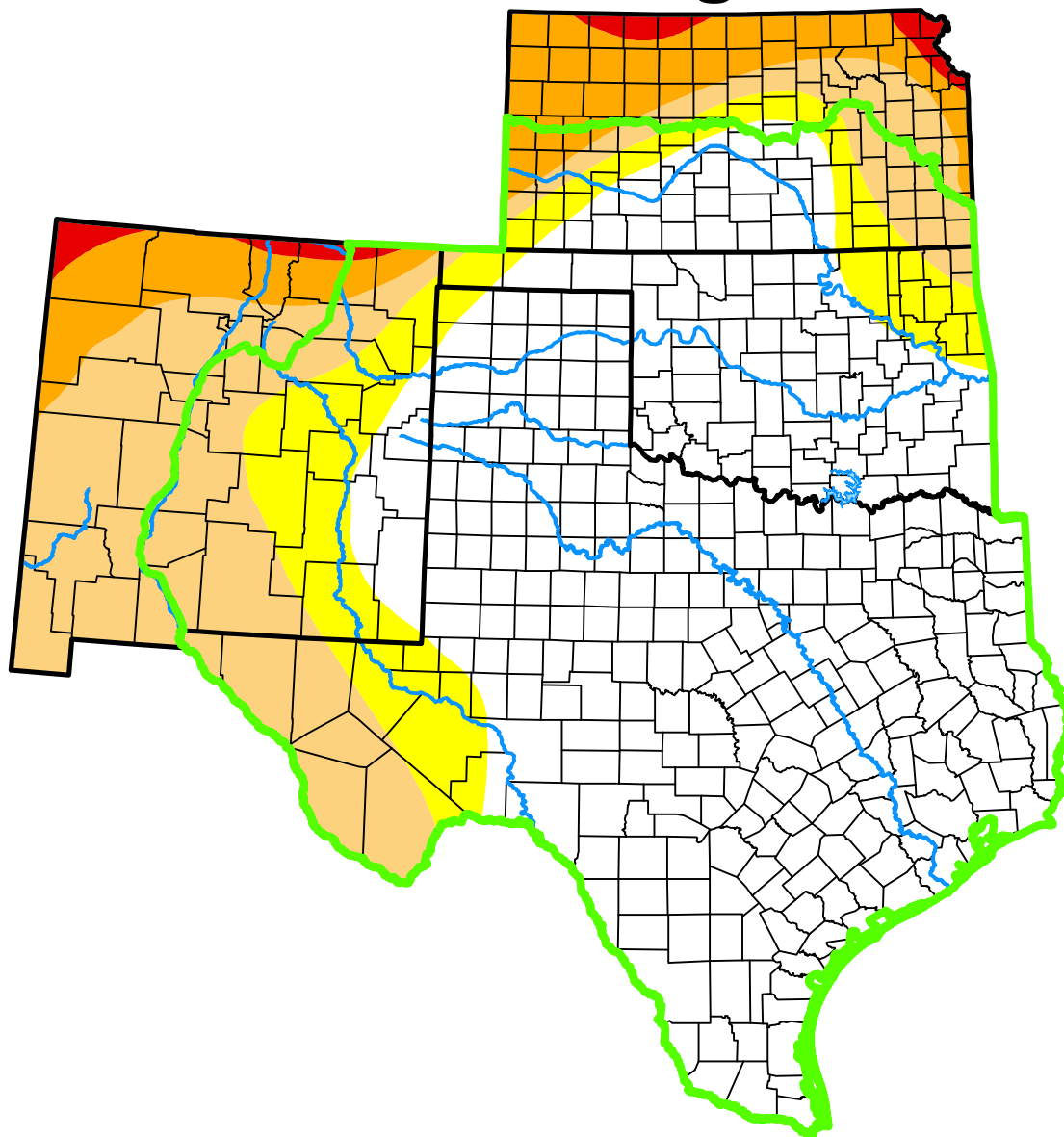


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS

### and Surrounding Areas



**January 14, 2003**

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 72.67 | 12.87 | 13.15 | 1.21  | 0.11 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-07-2003</i>              | 72.38 | 14.56 | 11.65 | 1.25  | 0.17 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>10-15-2002</i>           | 49.33 | 20.34 | 25.13 | 4.84  | 0.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 75.48 | 11.78 | 11.47 | 1.16  | 0.12 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 27.99 | 38.81 | 26.71 | 5.45  | 1.03 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>01-15-2002</i>           | 37.73 | 10.15 | 33.81 | 11.16 | 7.14 | 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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