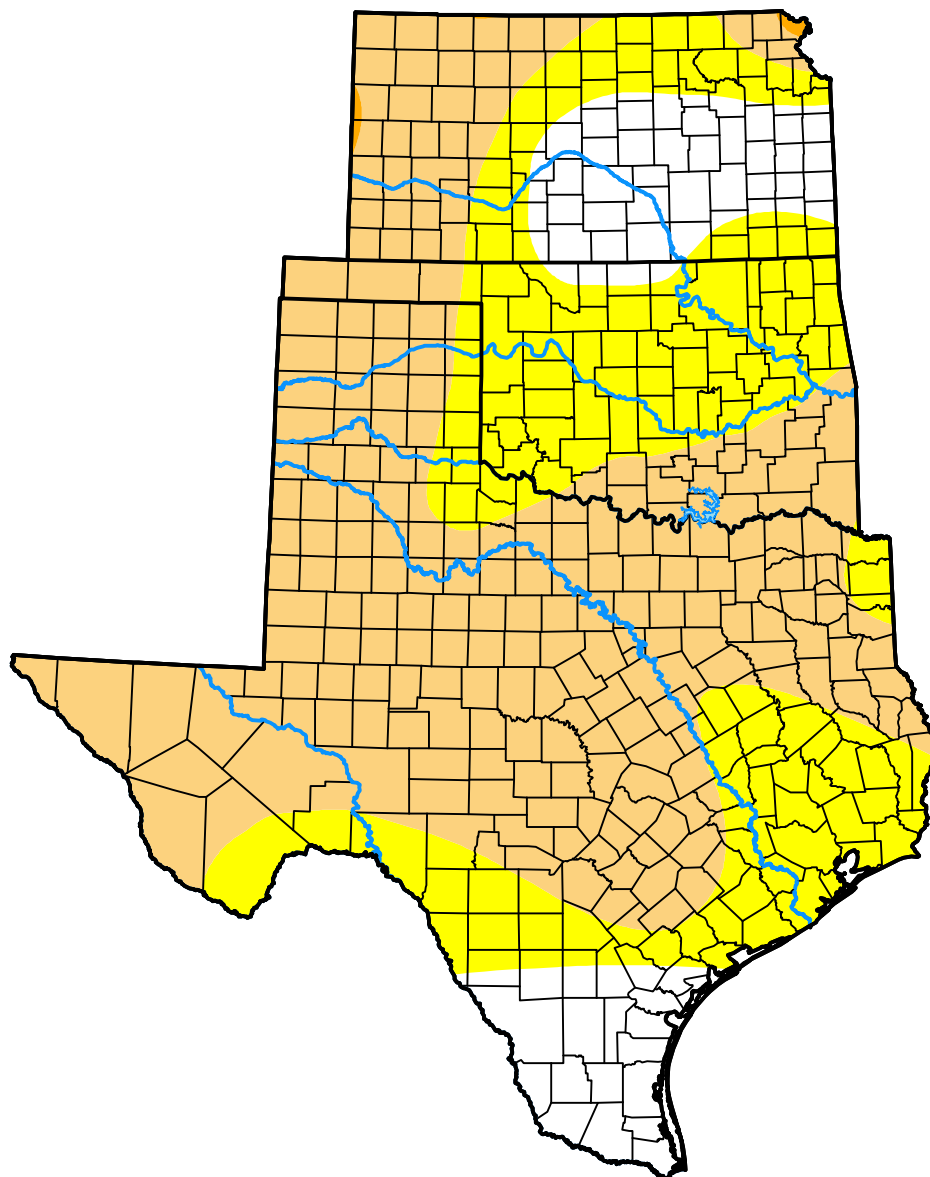


*U.S. Drought Monitor*  
**USDA Southern Plains  
Climate Hub**

**May 13, 2003**  
(Released Thursday, May. 15, 2003)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



**Intensity:**



*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>*

**Author:**

Richard Tinker  
CPC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP



**droughtmonitor.unl.edu**