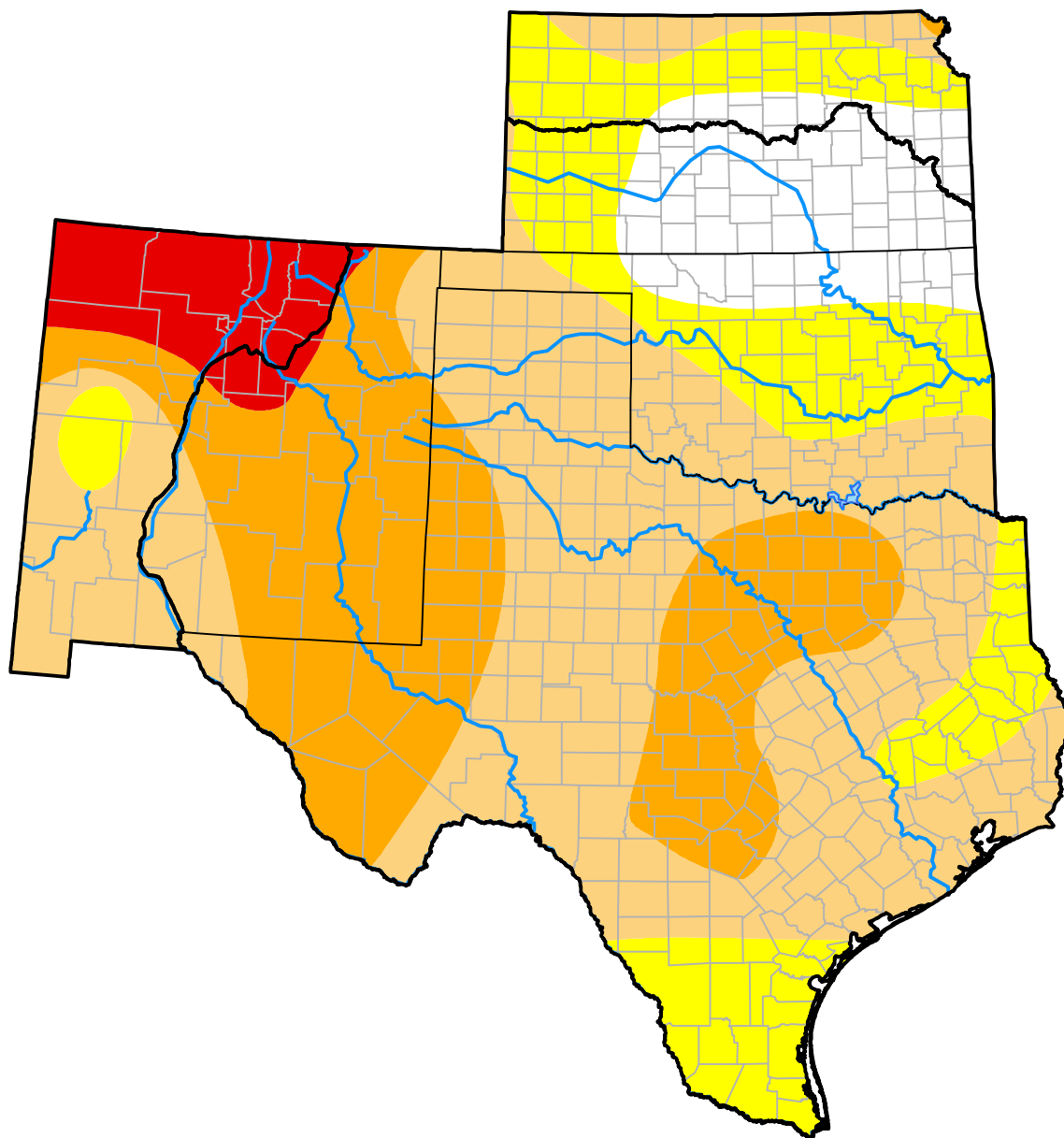


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	2.99	15.04	46.56	29.21	6.19	0.00
Last Week <i>05-15-2003</i>	5.29	24.82	60.10	4.82	4.97	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-20-2003</i>	65.75	10.83	17.49	4.58	1.36	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	66.97	9.57	19.38	3.26	0.82	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	26.44	32.07	30.68	7.66	3.00	0.14
One Year Ago <i>05-23-2002</i>	25.69	13.31	22.00	14.95	24.05	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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