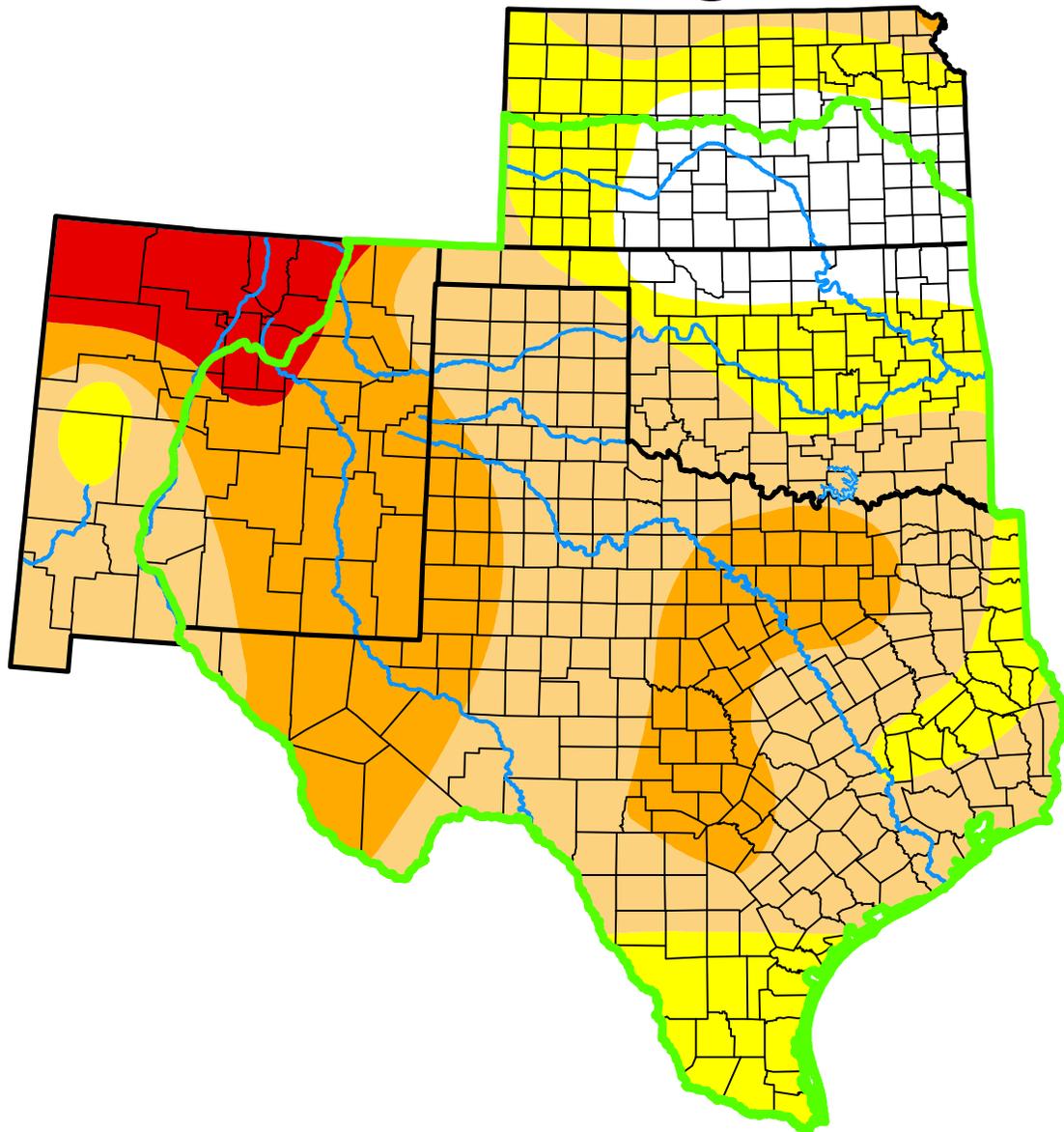


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	9.97	16.99	43.13	29.01	0.91	0.00
Last Week <i>05-13-2003</i>	10.28	26.76	59.38	3.46	0.11	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-18-2003</i>	72.46	14.91	11.21	1.34	0.08	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	75.48	11.78	11.47	1.16	0.12	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	27.99	38.81	26.71	5.45	1.03	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-21-2002</i>	29.82	14.82	24.10	16.57	14.68	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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