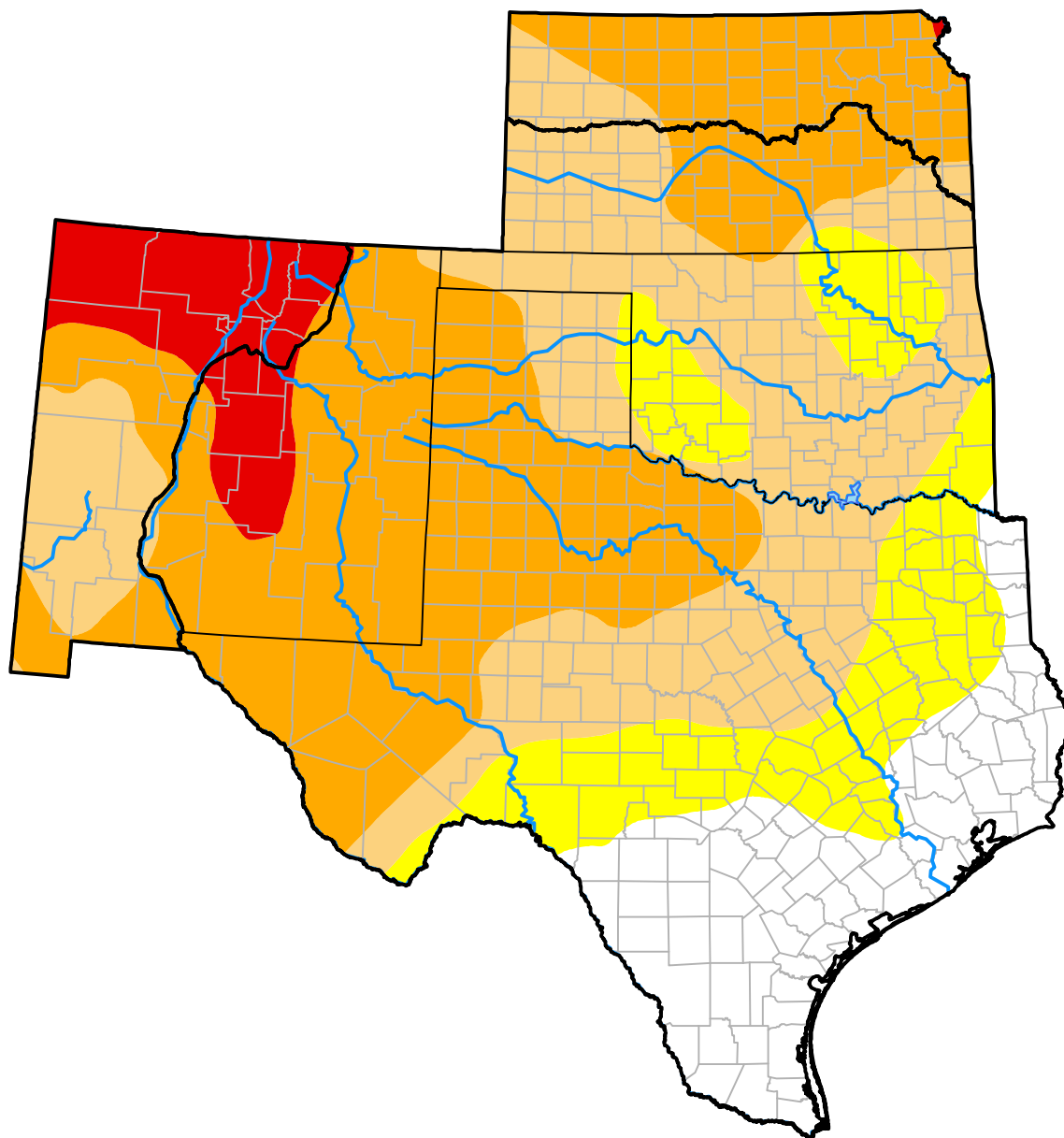


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**August 12, 2003**  
*(Released Thursday, Aug. 14, 2003)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 16.37 | 16.47 | 27.53 | 32.16 | 7.48 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-07-2003</i>              | 17.23 | 18.24 | 32.36 | 25.22 | 6.95 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-15-2003</i>           | 5.29  | 24.82 | 60.10 | 4.82  | 4.97 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2003</i> | 66.97 | 9.57  | 19.38 | 3.26  | 0.82 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2002</i>    | 26.44 | 32.07 | 30.68 | 7.66  | 3.00 | 0.14 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-15-2002</i>           | 52.25 | 12.71 | 20.56 | 5.37  | 5.43 | 3.68 |

### 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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