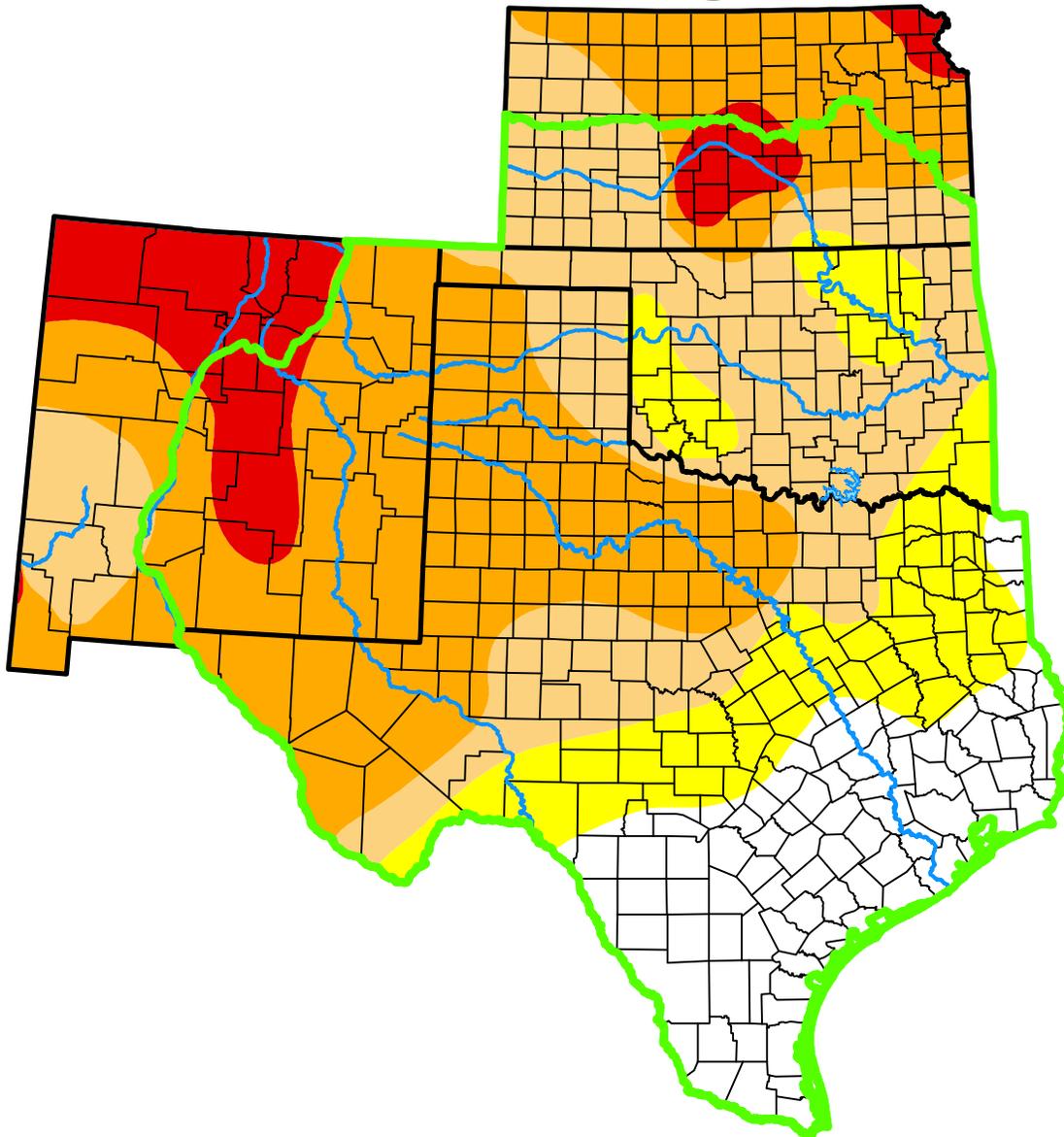


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	18.92	81.08	64.61	37.81	4.56	0.00
Last Week <i>08-12-2003</i>	16.98	83.02	65.64	36.19	2.35	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2003</i>	9.97	90.03	73.04	29.91	0.91	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	75.48	24.52	12.75	1.28	0.12	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	27.99	72.01	33.20	6.49	1.04	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-20-2002</i>	62.60	37.40	23.20	7.32	4.24	1.00

(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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