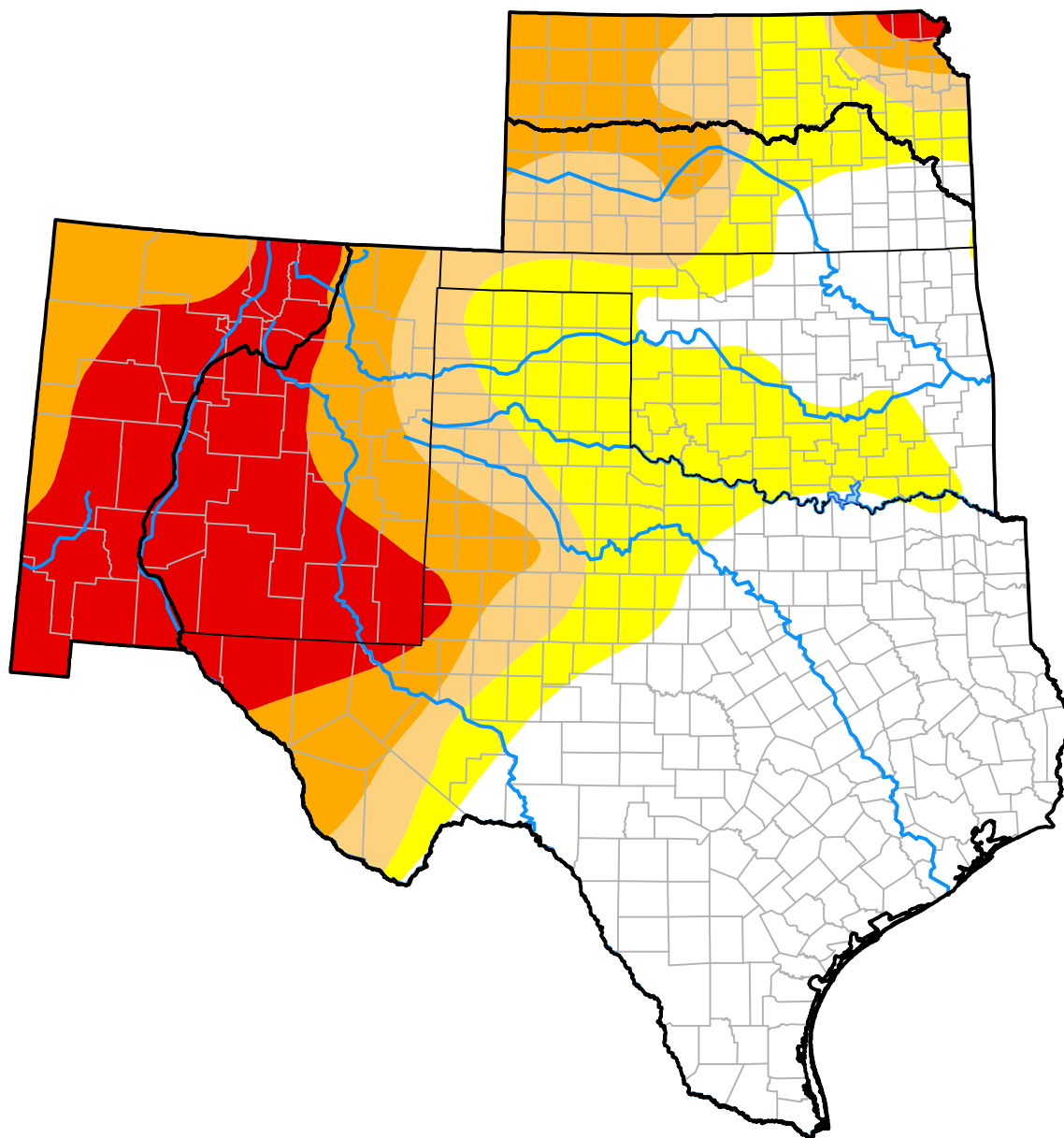


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.83	17.53	7.54	12.56	19.54	0.00
Last Week <i>10-02-2003</i>	37.43	21.98	8.39	11.13	21.07	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-10-2003</i>	50.56	16.79	13.45	12.47	6.71	0.02
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>10-02-2003</i>	37.43	21.98	8.39	11.13	21.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-10-2002</i>	32.00	28.29	29.69	6.61	3.39	0.02

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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