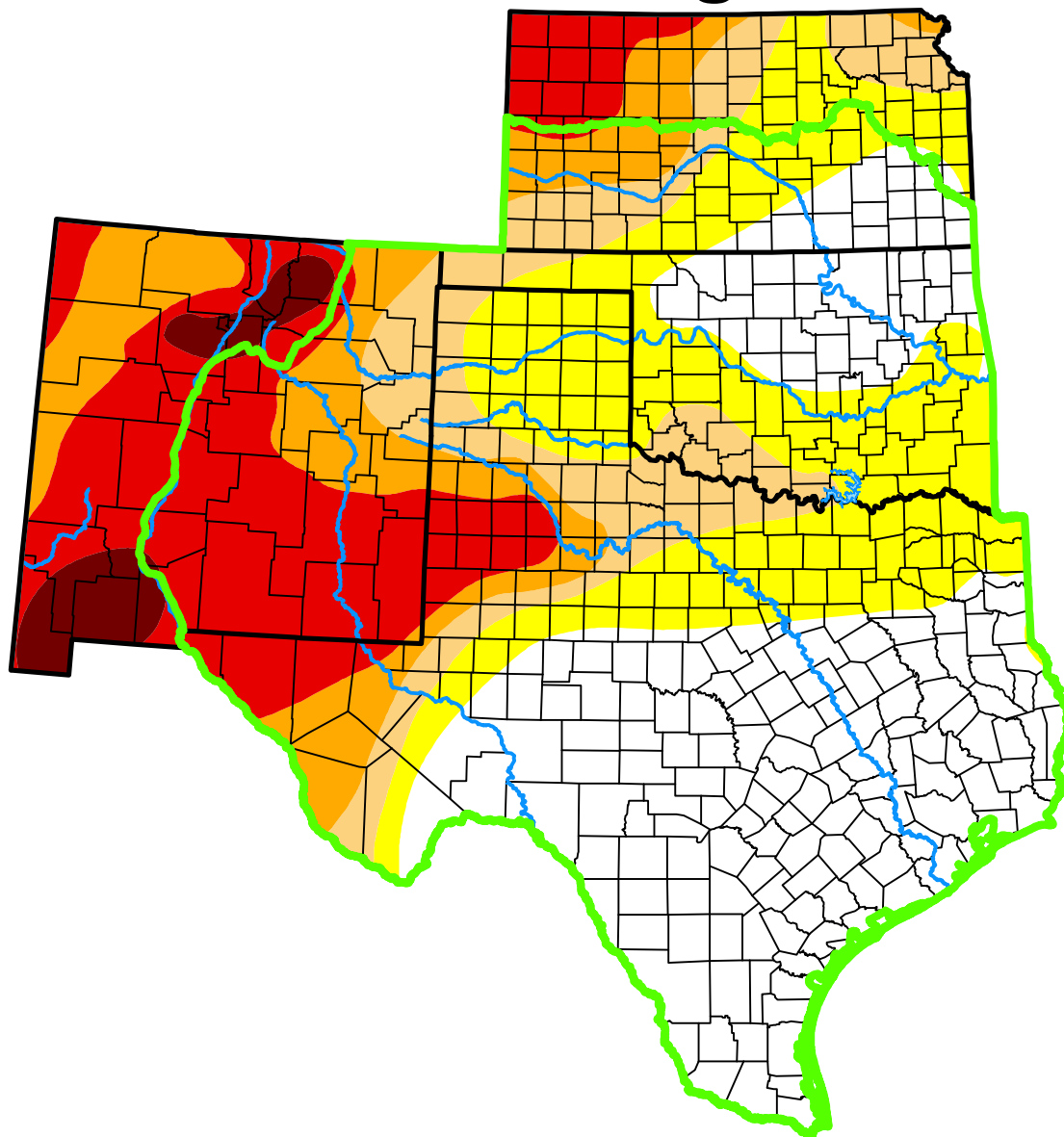


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



October 28, 2003

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.23	57.77	34.05	22.22	13.00	0.09
Last Week <i>10-21-2003</i>	49.17	50.83	29.05	21.38	11.91	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-29-2003</i>	25.93	74.07	60.35	19.12	1.77	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>09-30-2003</i>	39.82	60.18	34.64	22.29	10.89	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-29-2002</i>	68.95	31.05	23.96	4.09	0.14	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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