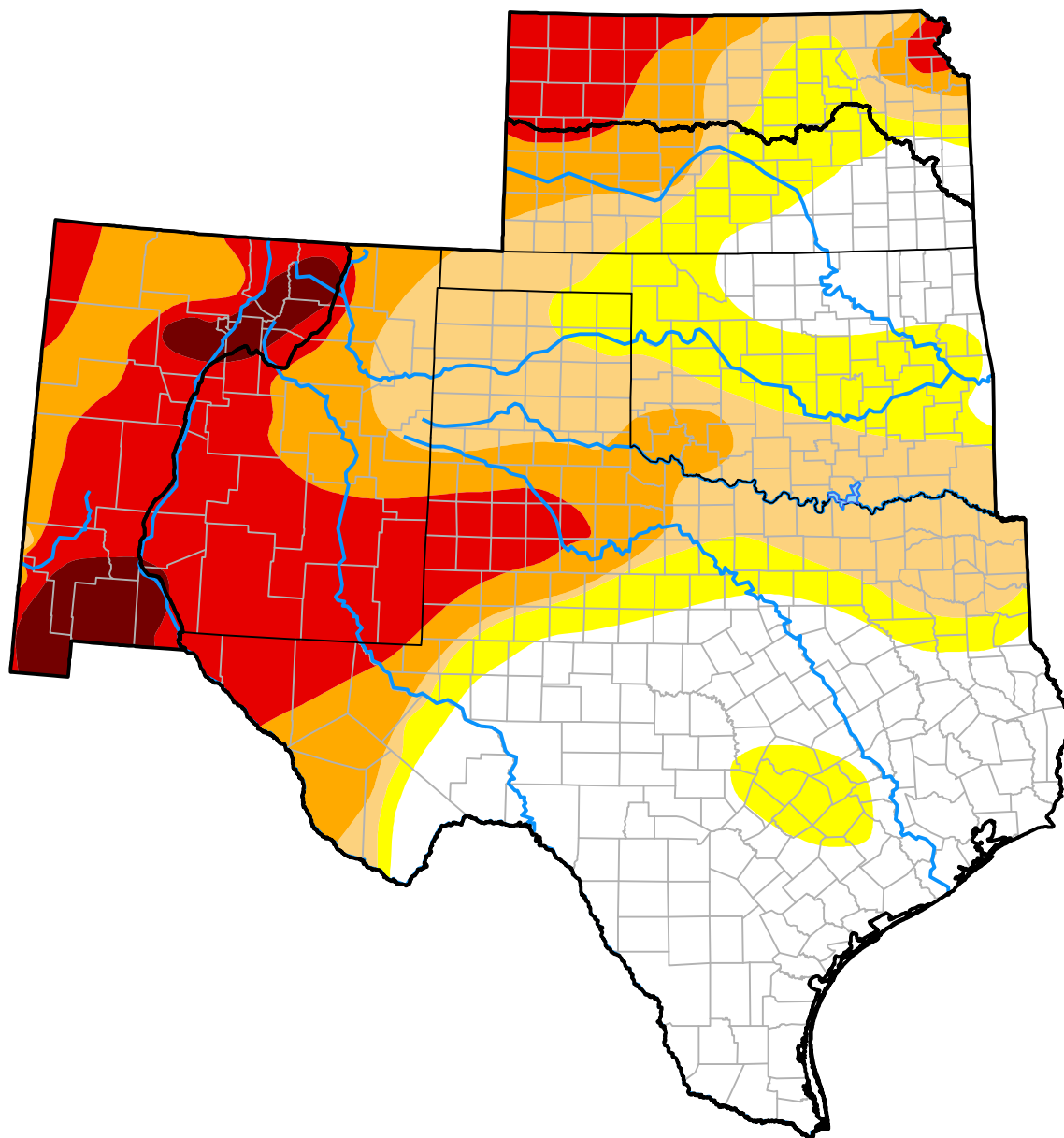


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	33.78	13.57	16.24	14.75	18.21	3.45
Last Week <i>12-04-2003</i>	36.18	12.60	16.31	13.53	18.05	3.33
3 Months Ago <i>09-11-2003</i>	21.94	21.13	23.20	23.02	10.71	0.00
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>12-12-2002</i>	65.38	9.48	19.25	5.08	0.81	0.00

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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