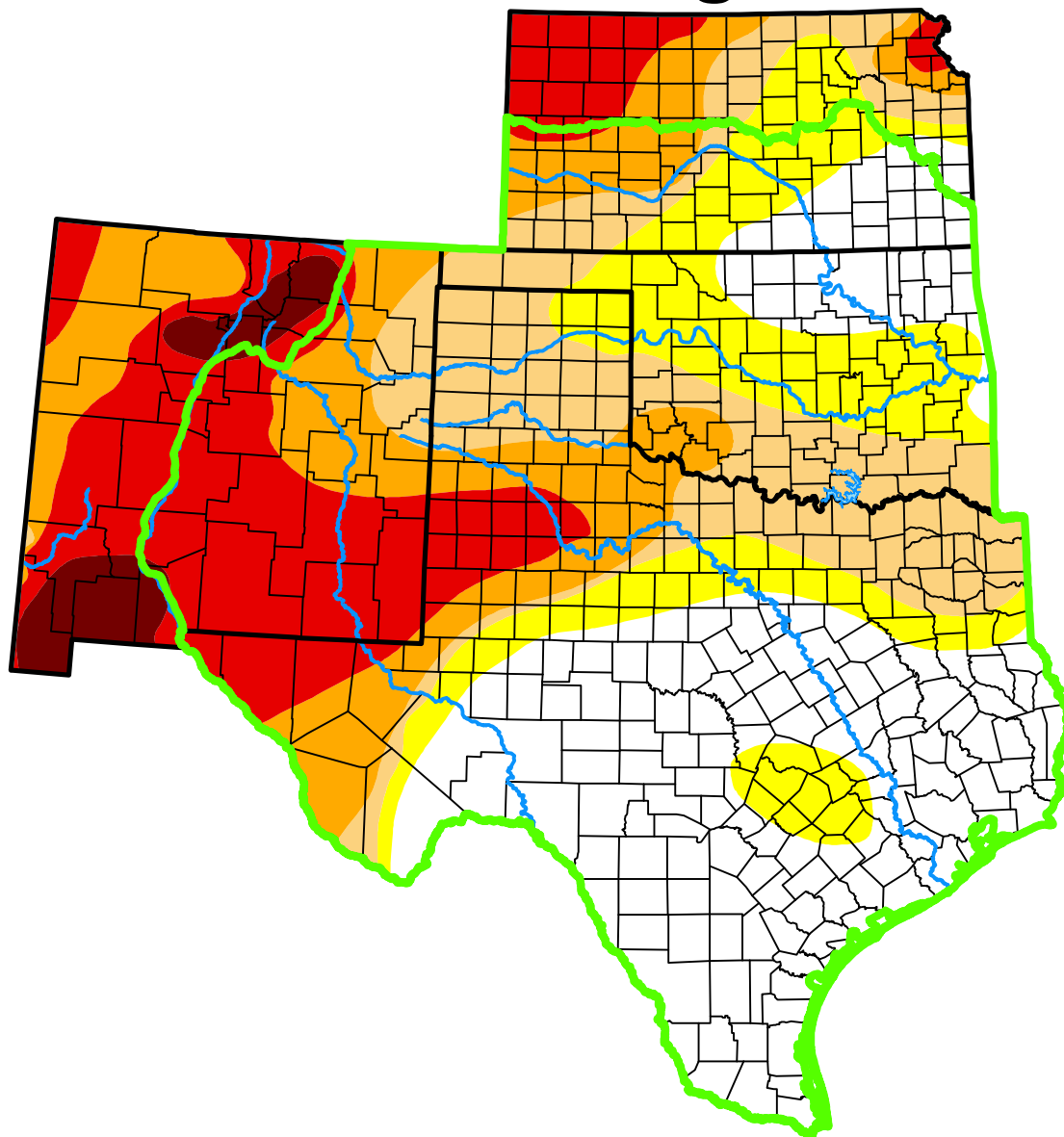


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.86	16.87	18.39	13.53	13.23	0.12
Last Week <i>12-02-2003</i>	40.38	15.97	18.50	12.29	12.83	0.02
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2003</i>	22.76	23.70	27.23	20.98	5.33	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	75.48	11.78	11.47	1.16	0.12	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	39.82	25.54	12.35	11.40	10.89	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-10-2002</i>	73.87	11.63	13.26	1.13	0.12	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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