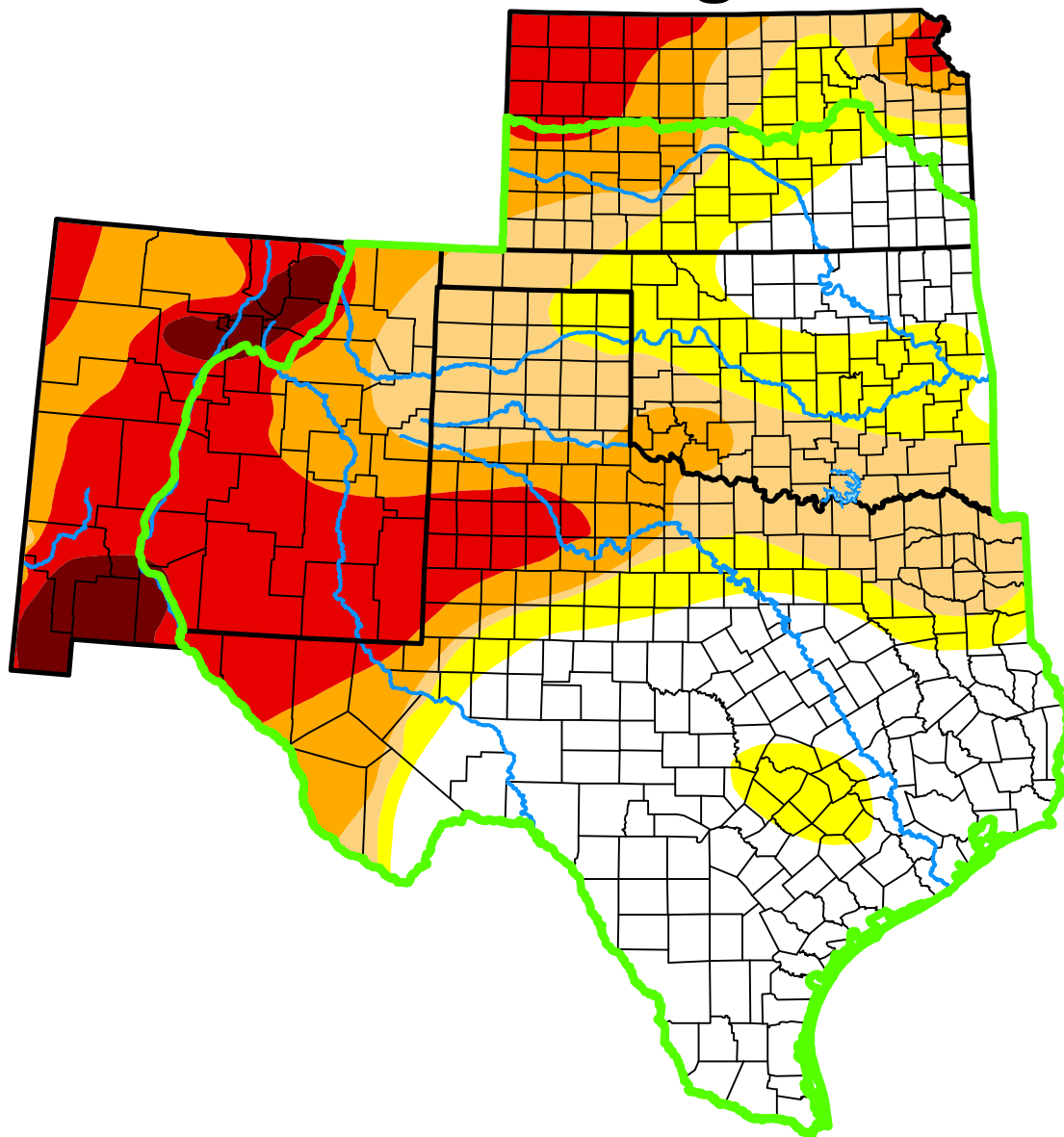


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	37.86	62.14	45.27	26.89	13.35	0.12
Last Week <i>12-02-2003</i>	40.38	59.62	43.65	25.14	12.85	0.02
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2003</i>	22.76	77.24	53.54	26.30	5.33	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>12-10-2002</i>	73.87	26.13	14.51	1.25	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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