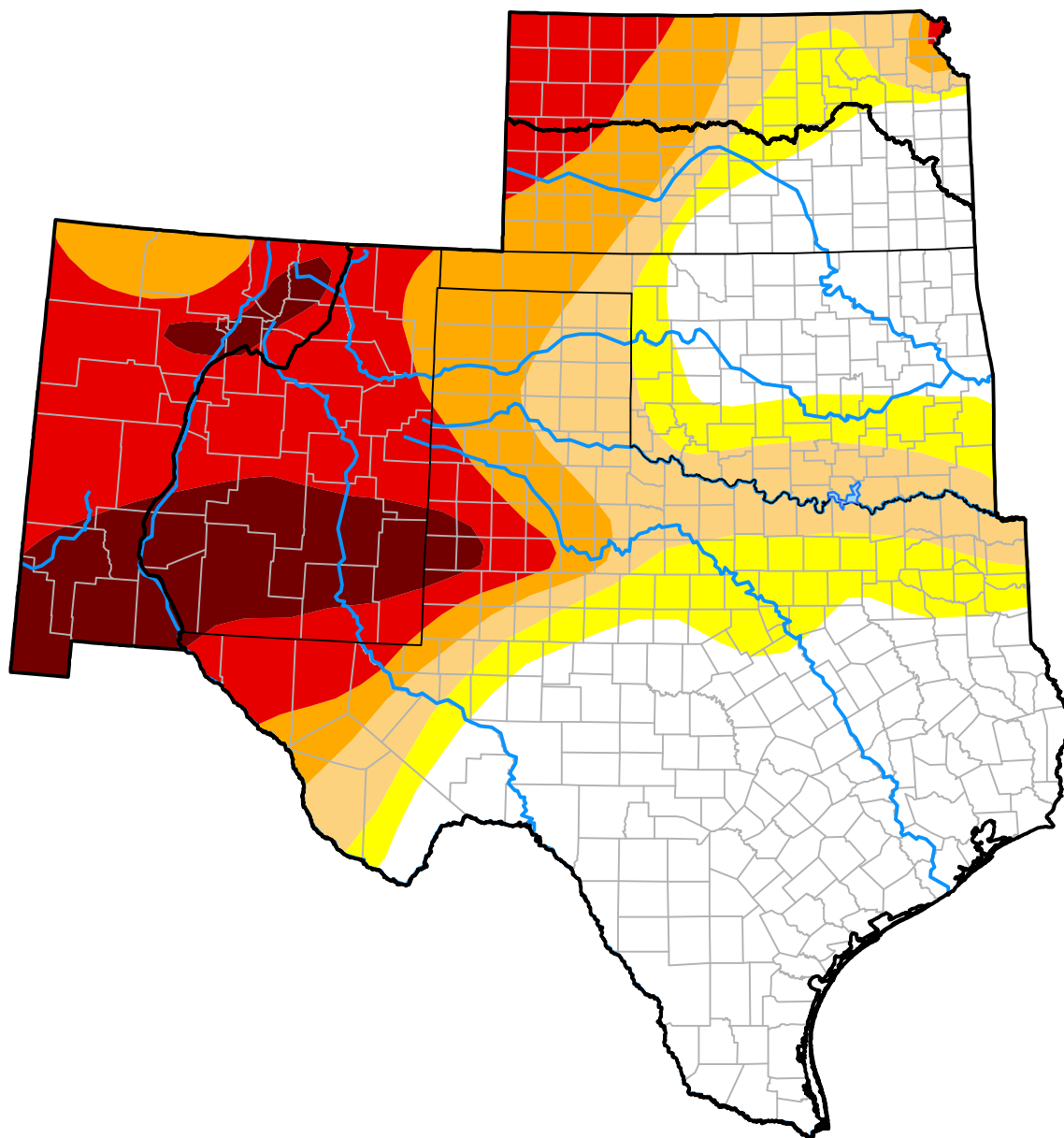


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	38.79	11.17	12.08	9.40	18.31	10.25
Last Week <i>02-12-2004</i>	38.39	11.53	11.90	9.26	18.67	10.25
3 Months Ago <i>11-20-2003</i>	34.71	13.68	17.19	12.58	18.67	3.16
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	31.46	15.80	12.03	15.20	19.42	6.09
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>02-20-2003</i>	65.75	10.83	17.49	4.58	1.36	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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