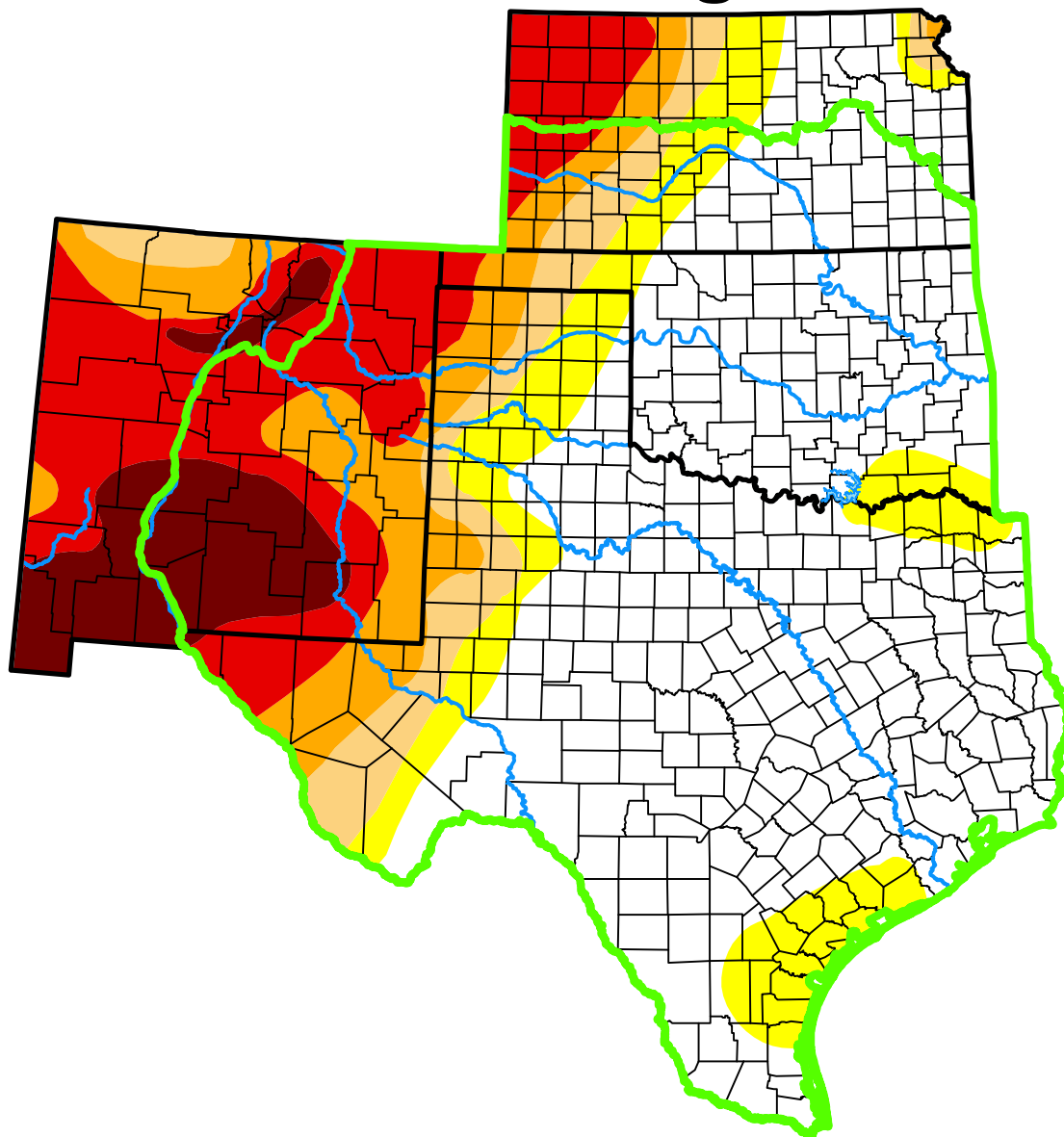


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	60.25	39.75	28.08	22.00	13.75	4.37
Last Week <i>03-02-2004</i>	52.59	47.41	33.32	24.32	14.56	4.37
3 Months Ago <i>12-09-2003</i>	37.86	62.14	45.27	26.89	13.35	0.12
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	36.64	63.36	45.50	31.67	15.39	2.11
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>03-11-2003</i>	56.22	43.78	9.19	1.15	0.06	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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