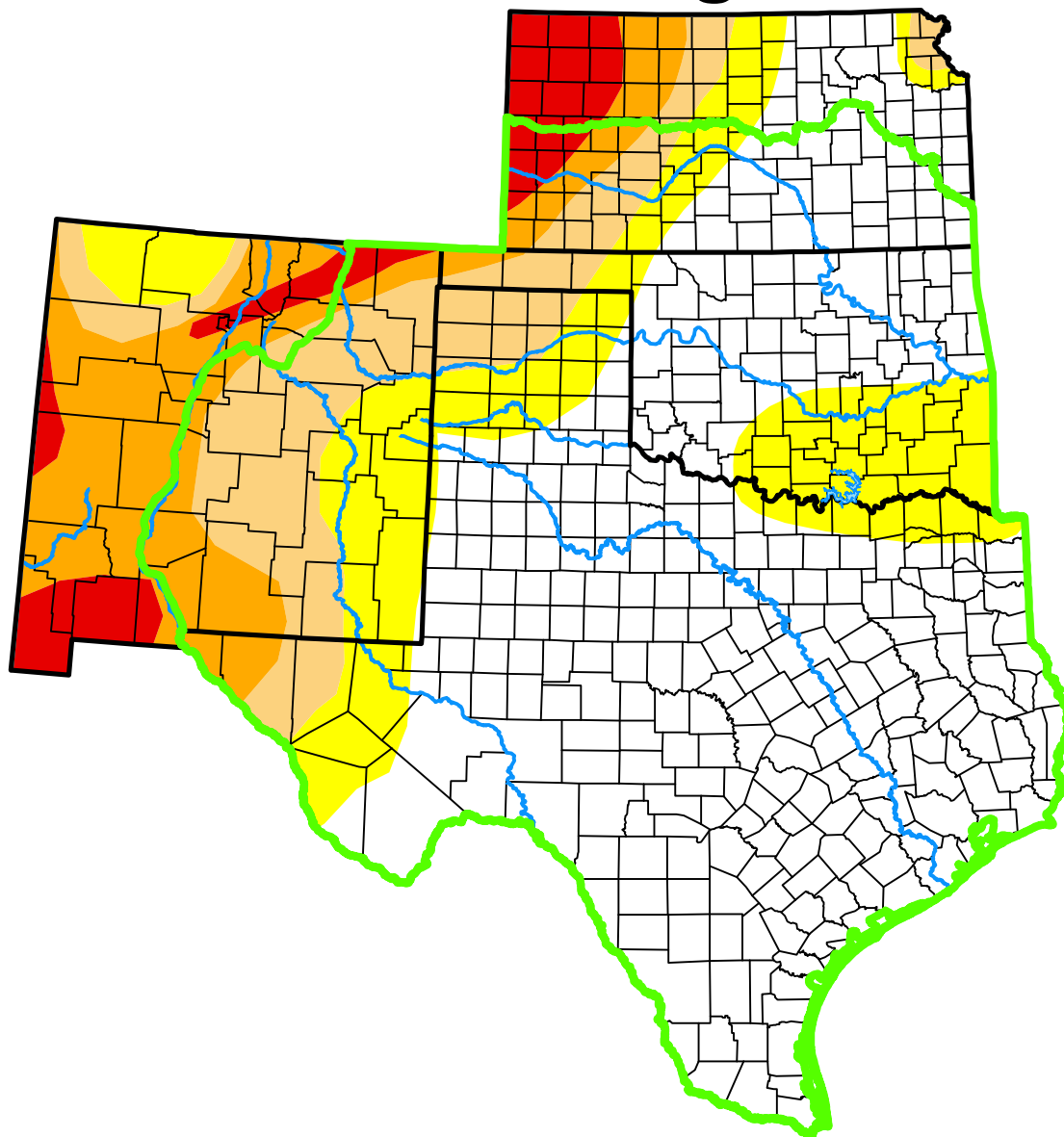


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



April 20, 2004

(Released Thursday, Apr. 22, 2004)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	64.96	17.01	11.81	5.11	1.12	0.00
Last Week <i>04-13-2004</i>	68.43	13.53	11.81	5.11	1.12	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-20-2004</i>	43.57	14.67	12.86	10.04	13.27	5.59
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	36.64	17.86	13.83	16.29	13.28	2.11
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>04-22-2003</i>	47.23	43.94	8.44	0.39	0.00	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>

Author:

Michael Hayes
National Drought Mitigation Center



droughtmonitor.unl.edu