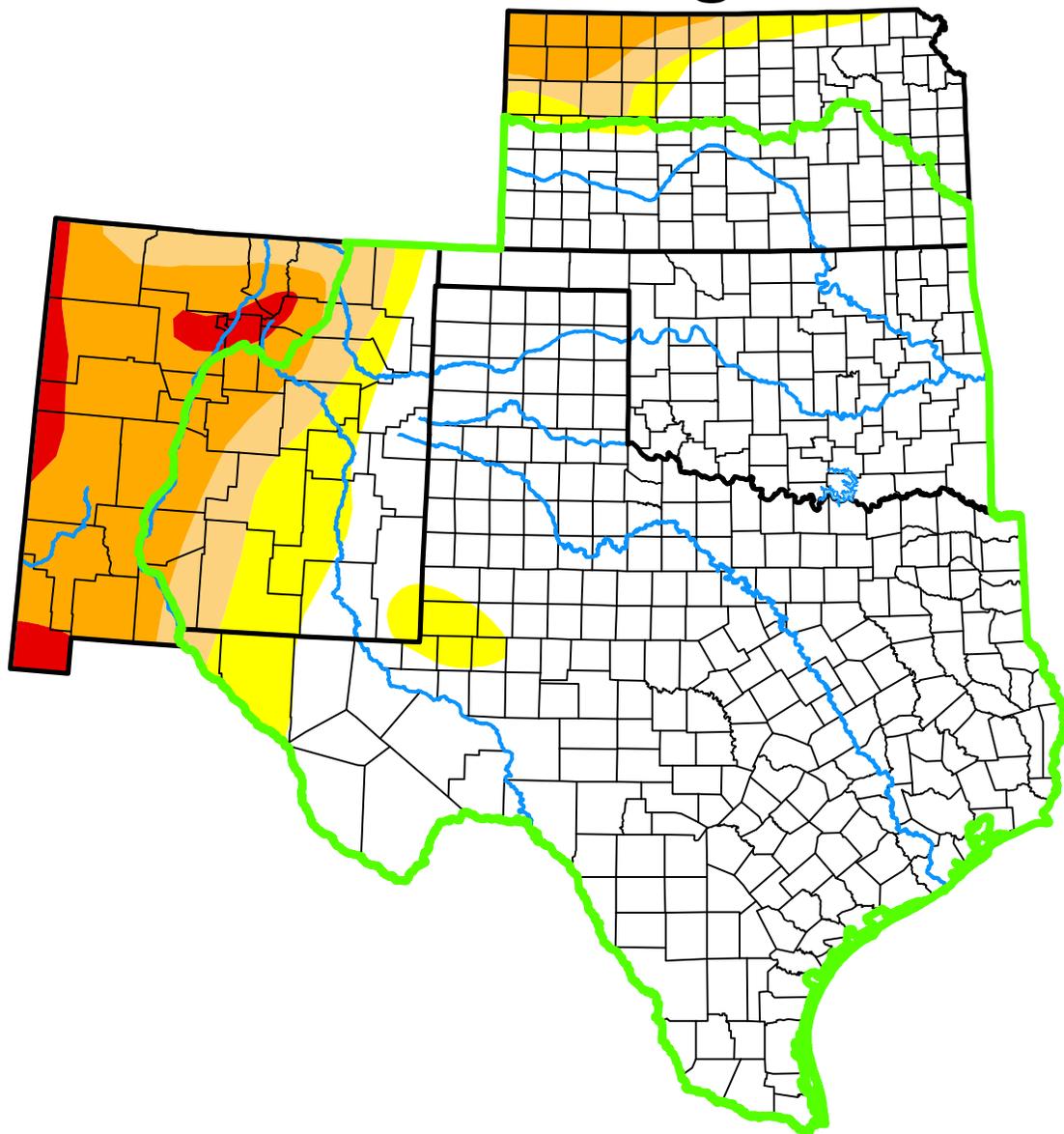


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	87.42	12.58	5.96	2.22	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-10-2004</i>	82.40	17.60	9.24	4.27	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-18-2004</i>	66.31	33.69	13.75	6.11	0.80	0.00
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>08-19-2003</i>	18.92	81.08	64.61	37.81	4.56	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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