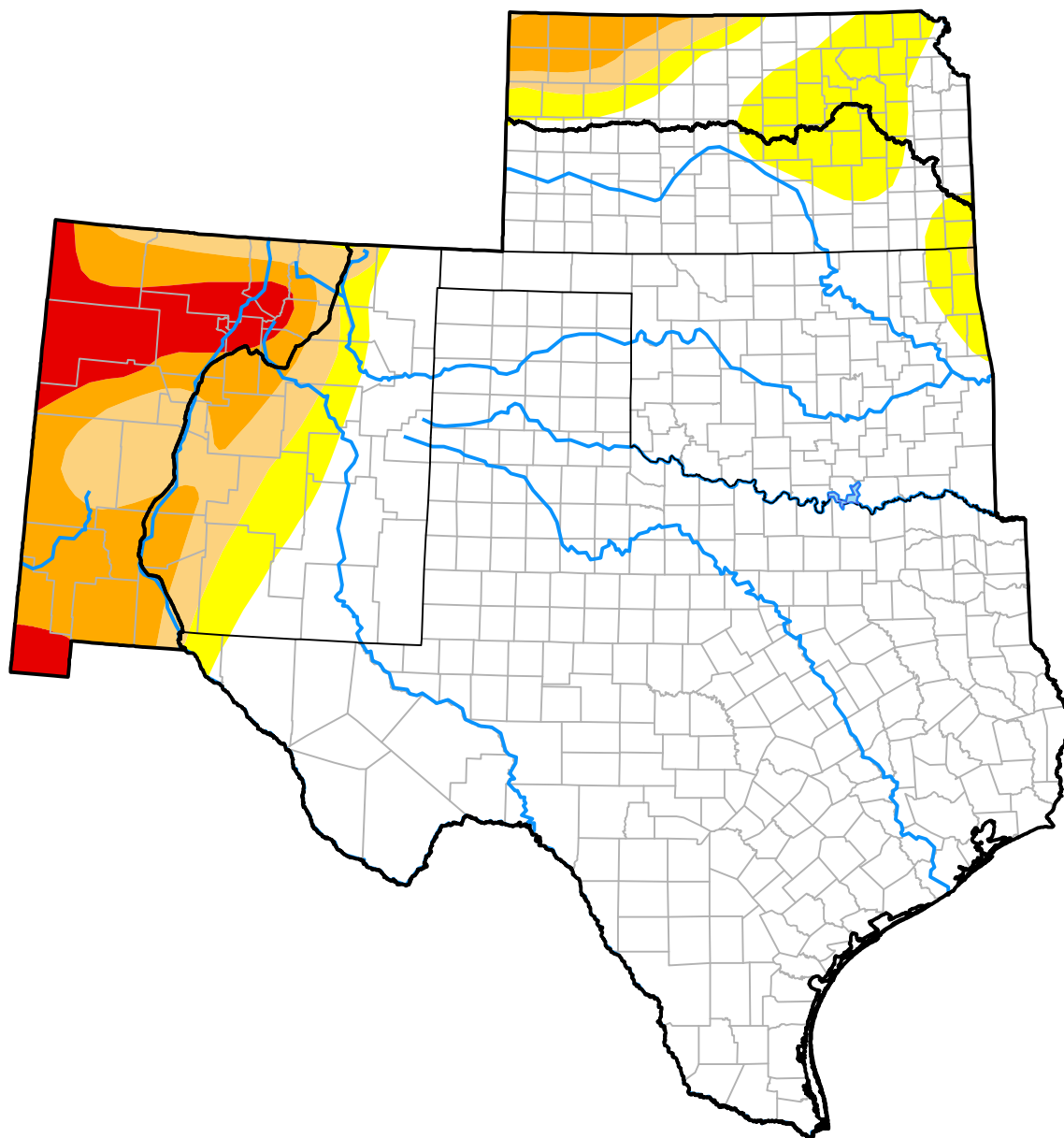


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	79.35	20.65	17.09	11.40	3.93	0.00
Last Week <i>10-07-2004</i>	75.30	24.70	18.18	13.46	2.05	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-15-2004</i>	58.06	41.94	25.77	18.39	2.79	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	31.46	68.54	52.74	40.71	25.50	6.09
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	76.41	23.59	18.07	13.46	2.05	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2003</i>	44.16	55.84	37.64	31.98	21.47	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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