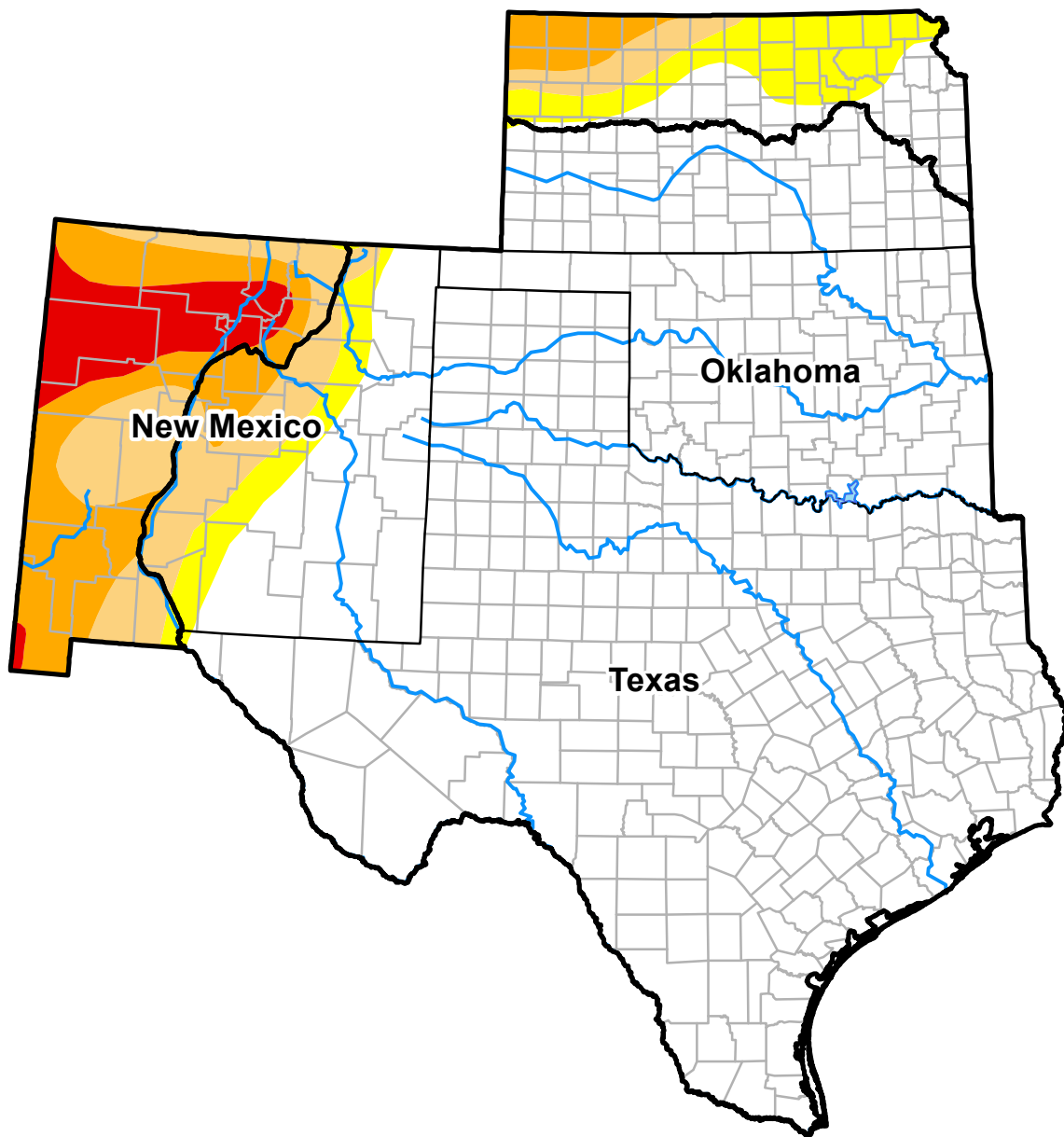


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	94.03	5.97	3.73	0.90	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>11-23-2004</i>	94.24	5.76	3.52	1.03	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-31-2004</i>	88.74	11.26	5.79	2.22	0.00	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>09-28-2004</i>	88.77	11.23	5.50	2.22	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-02-2003</i>	40.38	59.62	43.65	25.14	12.85	0.02

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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