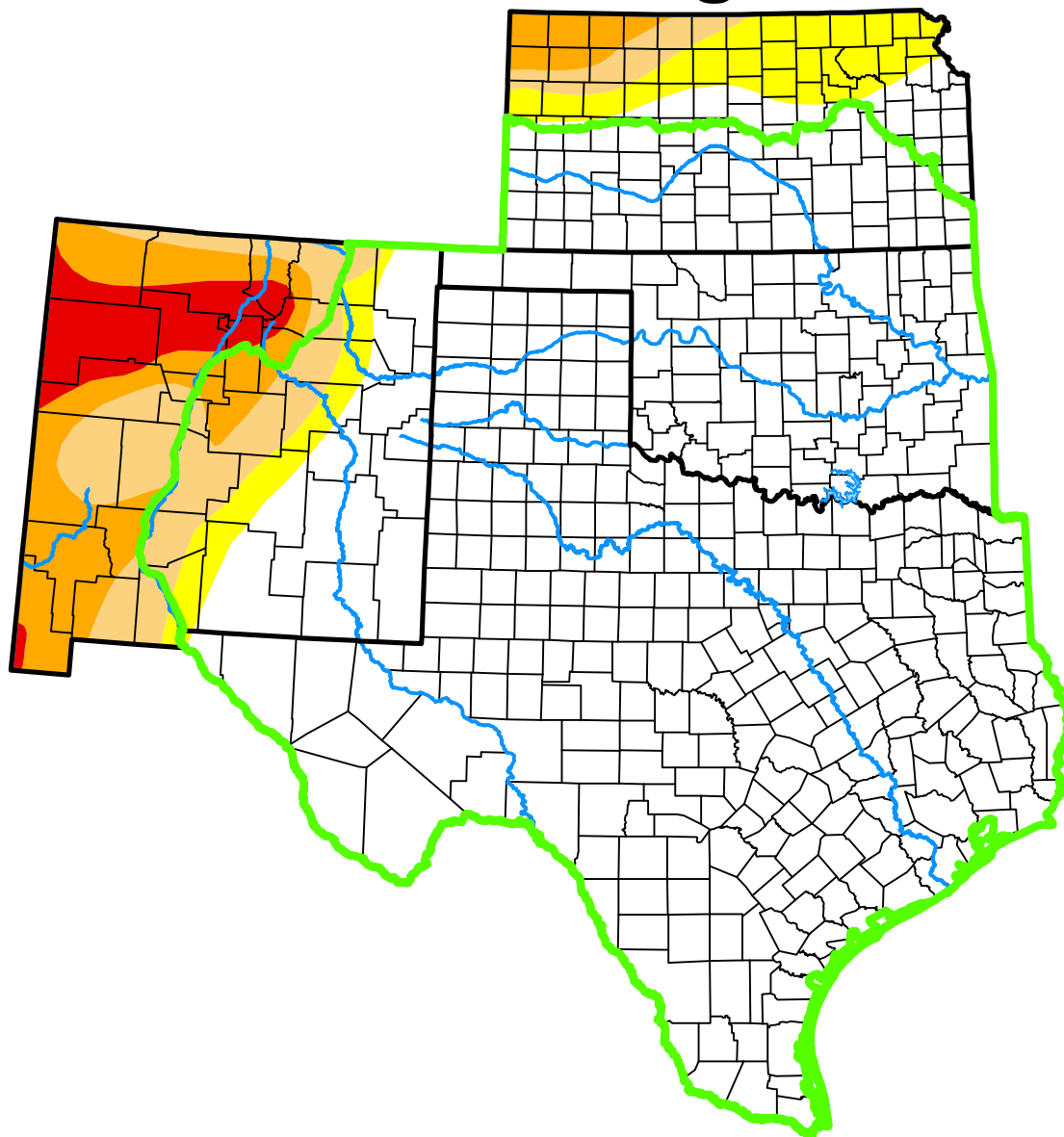


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	94.03	2.24	2.87	0.86	0.00	0.00
Last Week 12-14-2004	94.03	2.24	2.87	0.86	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-21-2004	83.03	11.20	3.56	2.22	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-30-2003	36.64	17.86	13.83	16.29	13.28	2.11
Start of Water Year 09-28-2004	88.77	5.73	3.28	2.22	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 12-23-2003	35.92	18.68	18.45	13.39	11.38	2.18

(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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