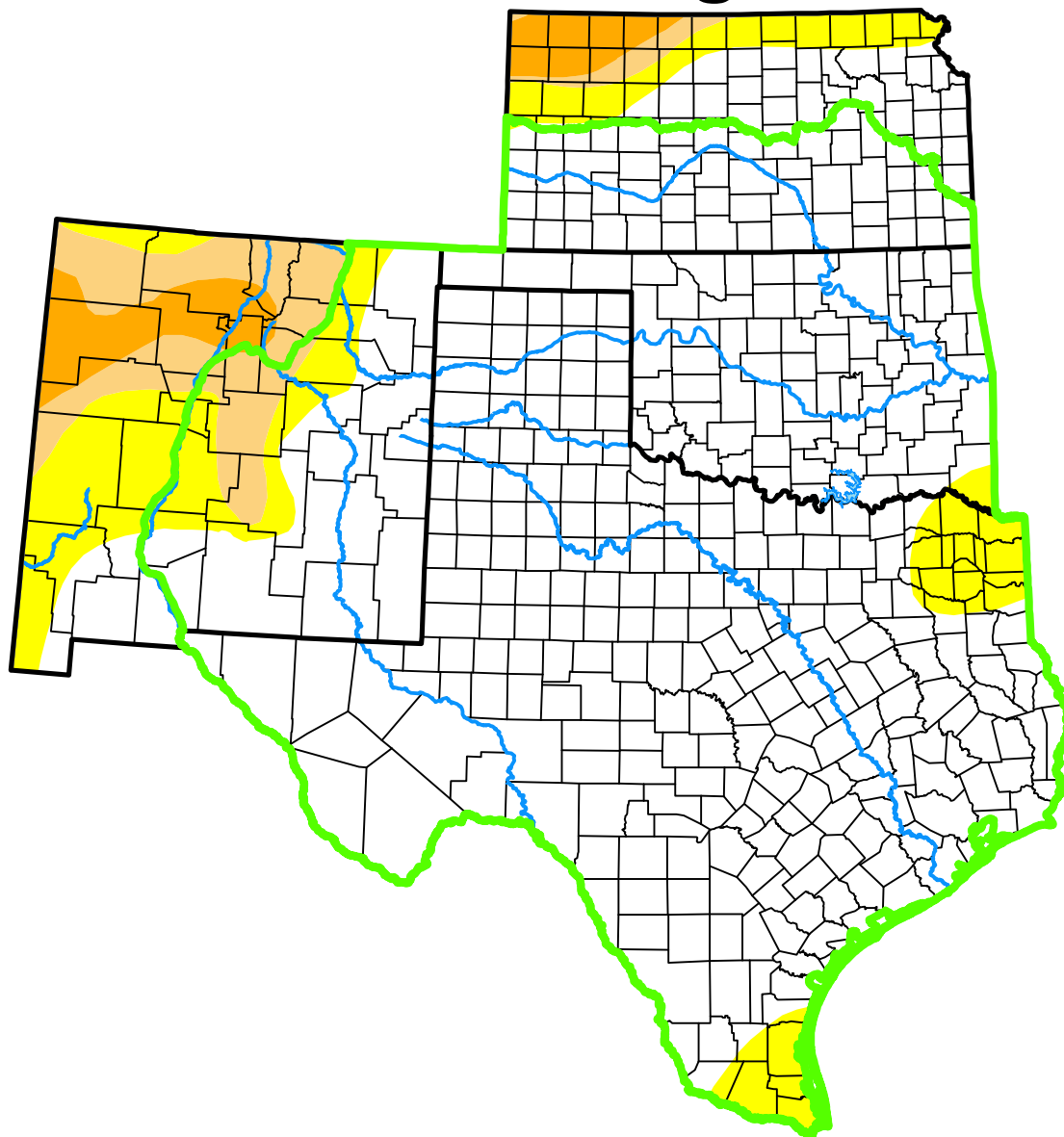


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**March 22, 2005**

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 91.72 | 8.28  | 1.68  | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-15-2005</i>                  | 91.82 | 8.18  | 1.68  | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-21-2004</i>               | 94.03 | 5.97  | 3.73  | 0.86  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 94.03 | 5.97  | 3.73  | 0.86  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 88.77 | 11.23 | 5.50  | 2.22  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-23-2004</i>               | 60.40 | 39.60 | 25.51 | 20.30 | 13.13 | 4.37 |

(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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