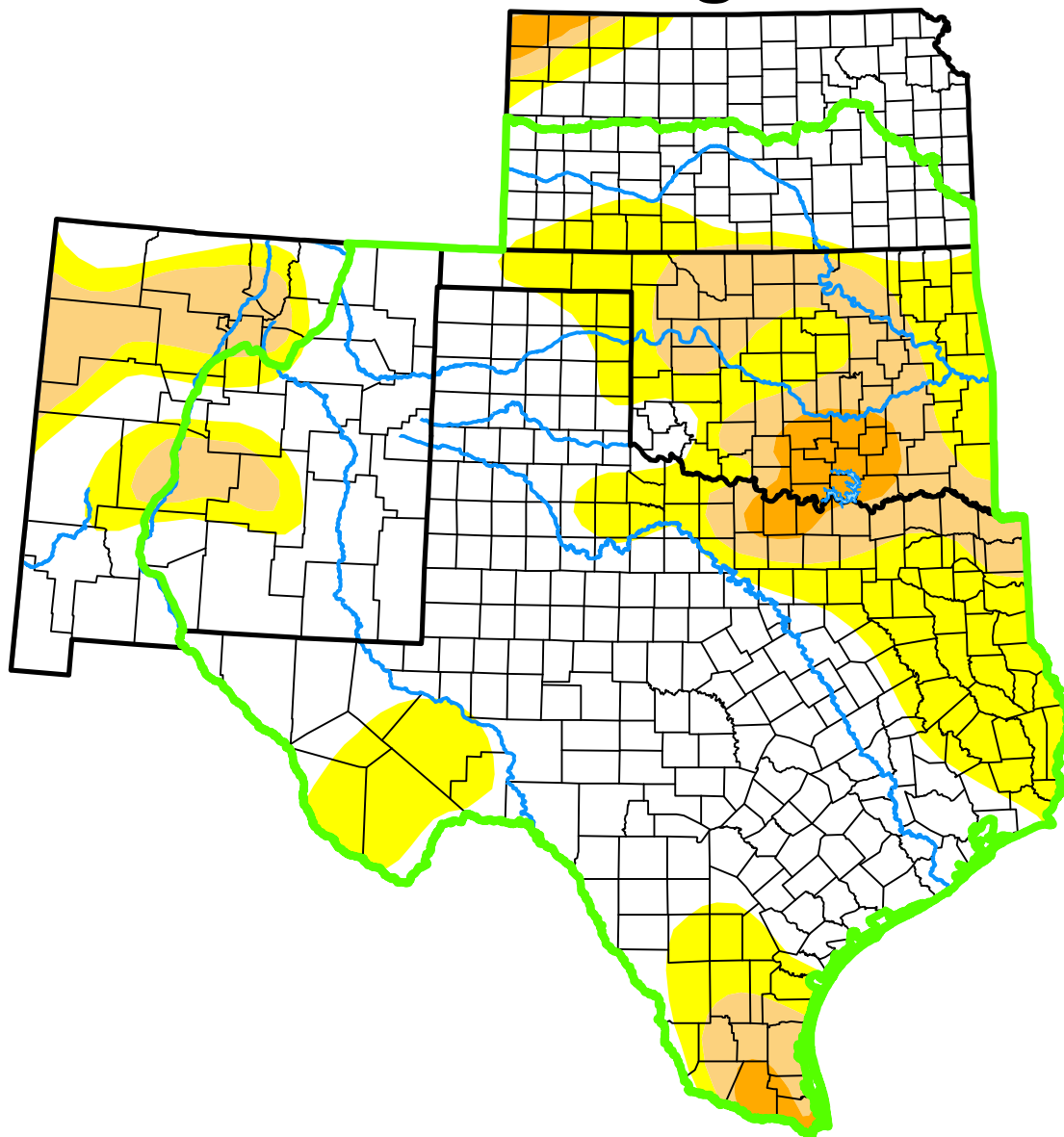


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	60.41	39.59	14.30	2.86	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-10-2005</i>	46.71	53.29	15.85	3.29	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-15-2005</i>	94.60	5.40	2.58	0.28	0.07	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	94.03	5.97	3.73	0.86	0.00	0.00
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>05-18-2004</i>	66.31	33.69	13.75	6.11	0.80	0.00

(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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