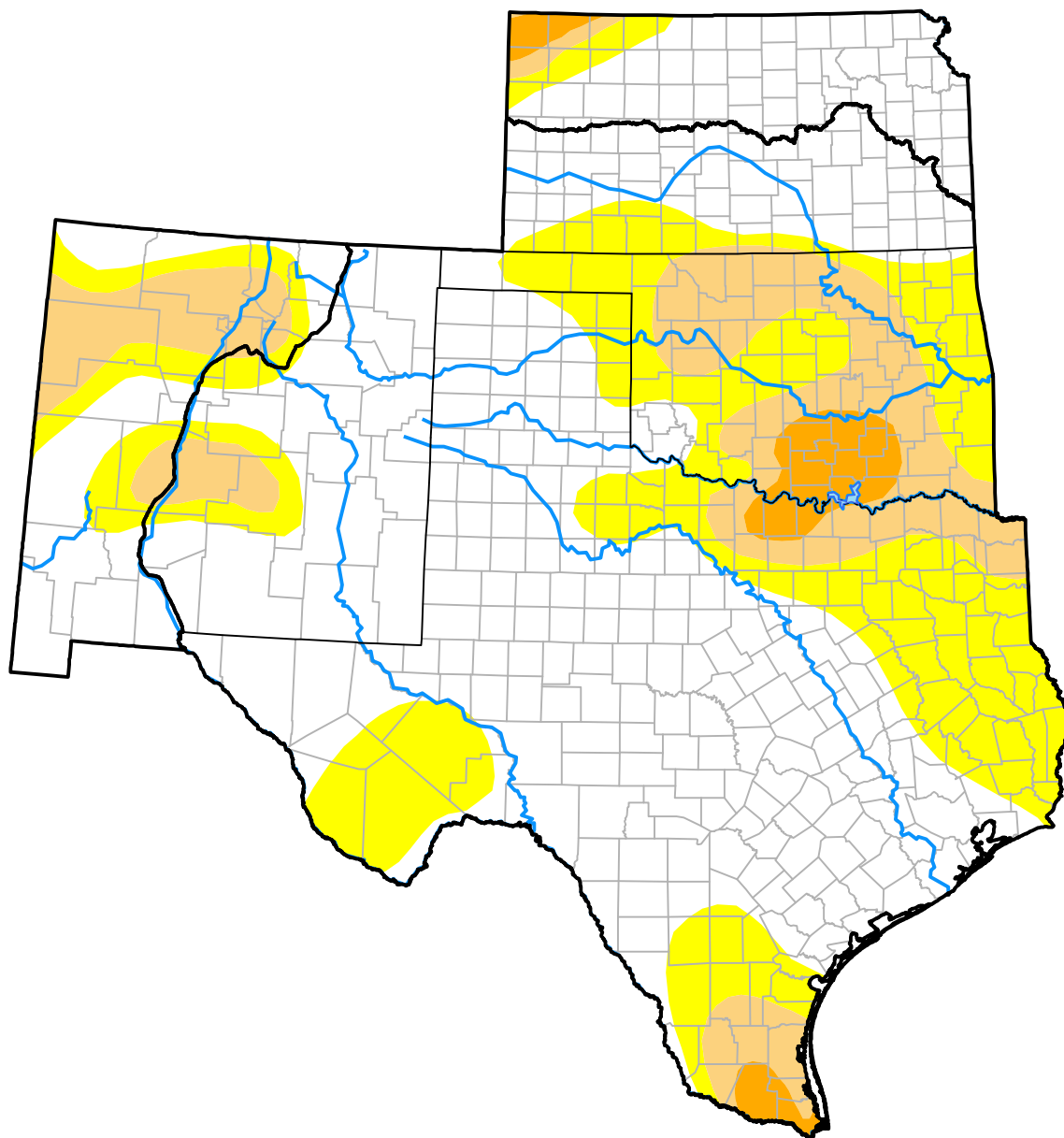


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.90	43.10	17.33	2.76	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-12-2005</i>	47.58	52.42	19.27	3.73	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-17-2005</i>	82.08	17.92	12.86	5.25	2.26	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	81.49	18.51	16.25	9.88	3.44	0.00
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>05-20-2004</i>	58.34	41.66	22.11	13.60	3.11	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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