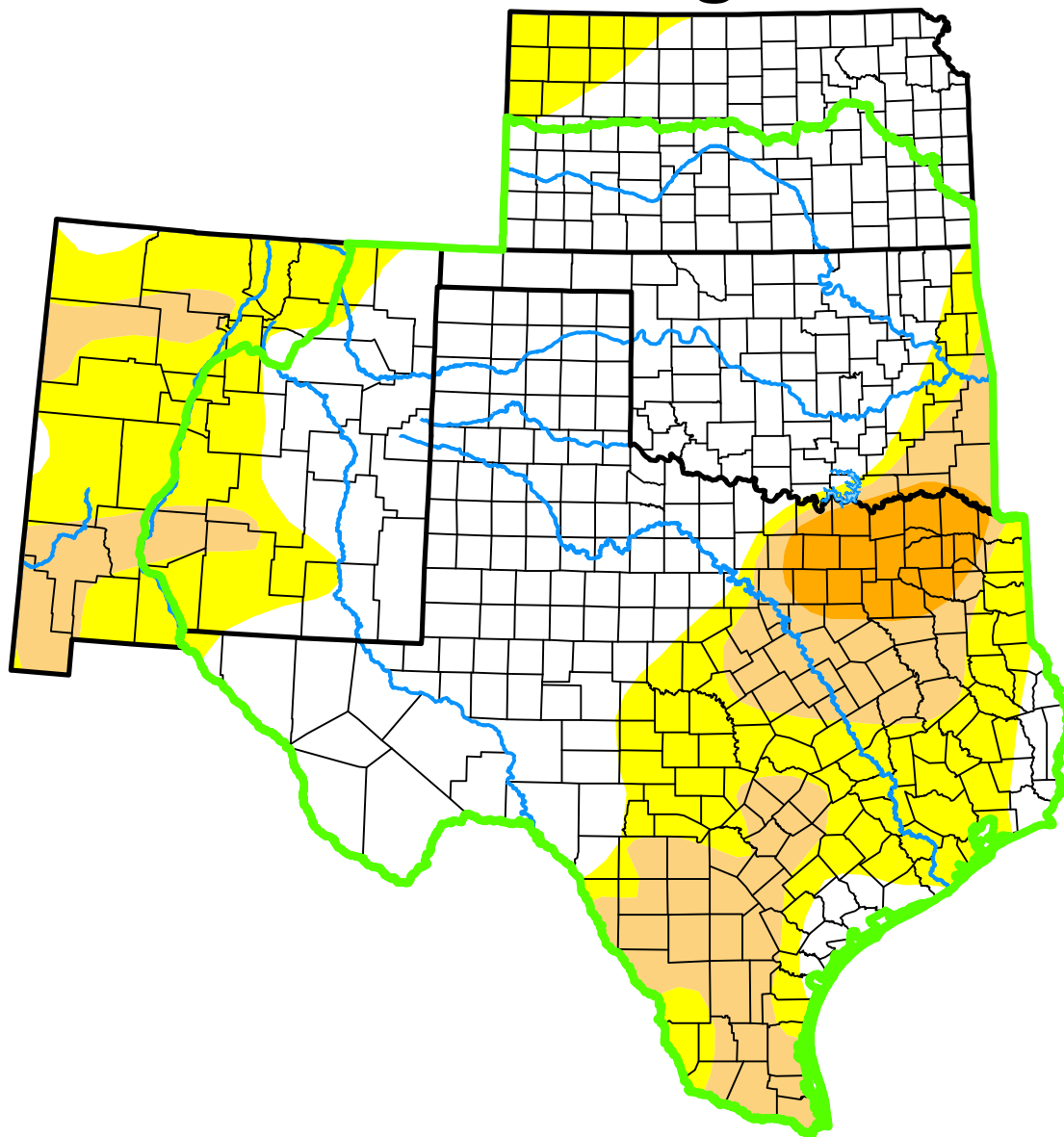


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	61.59	20.29	14.41	3.71	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-11-2005</i>	58.71	21.57	14.81	4.91	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-19-2005</i>	48.54	16.62	21.25	10.64	2.95	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	94.03	2.24	2.87	0.86	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	64.63	18.87	12.62	3.88	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-19-2004</i>	90.14	5.36	2.96	1.54	0.00	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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