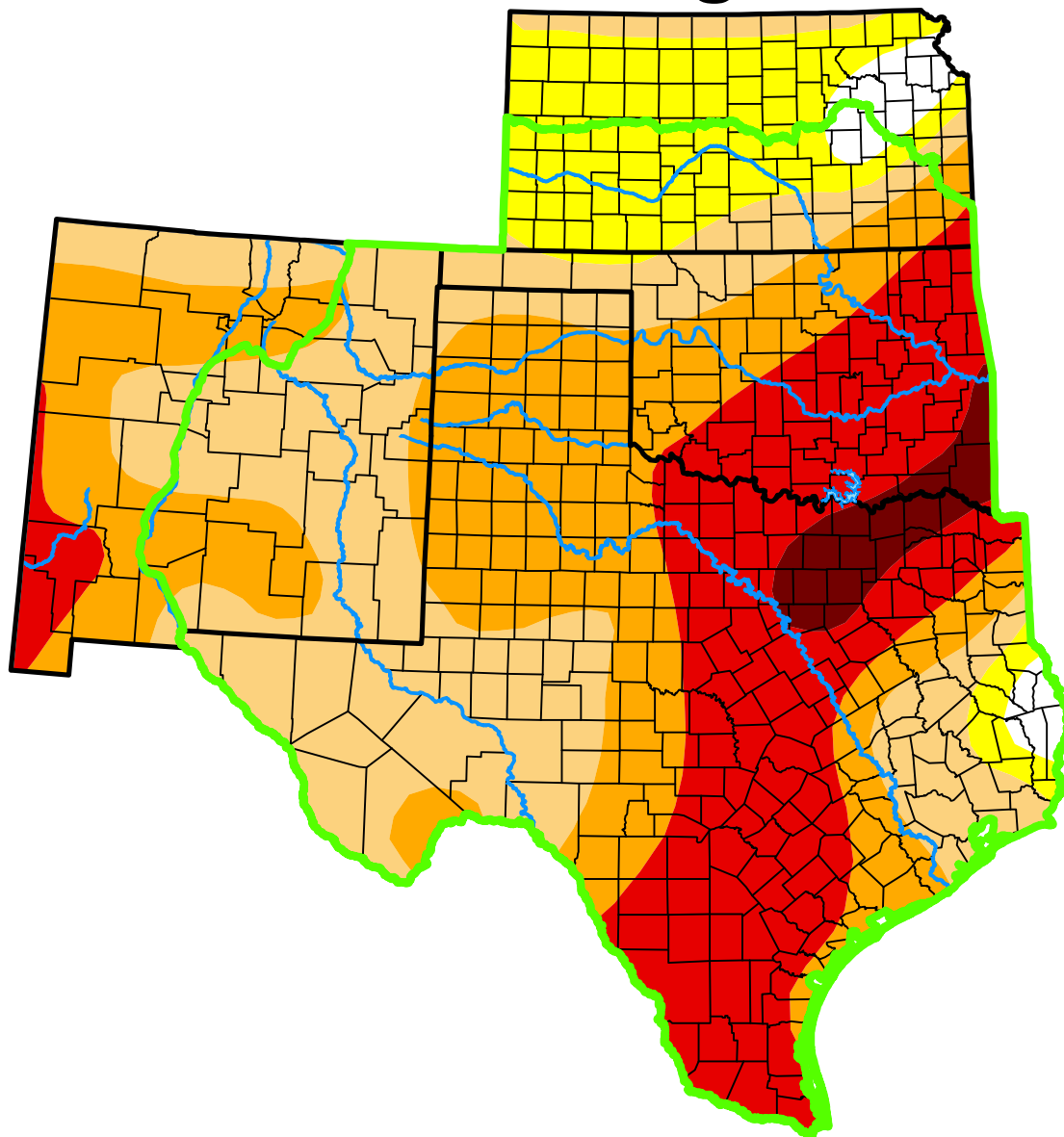


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.25	7.48	31.88	28.61	27.25	3.52
Last Week <i>02-14-2006</i>	1.25	9.02	34.45	26.02	25.93	3.32
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2005</i>	38.45	29.11	13.17	16.62	2.65	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	15.99	30.52	23.48	15.39	11.22	3.40
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>02-22-2005</i>	94.60	2.82	2.29	0.21	0.07	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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