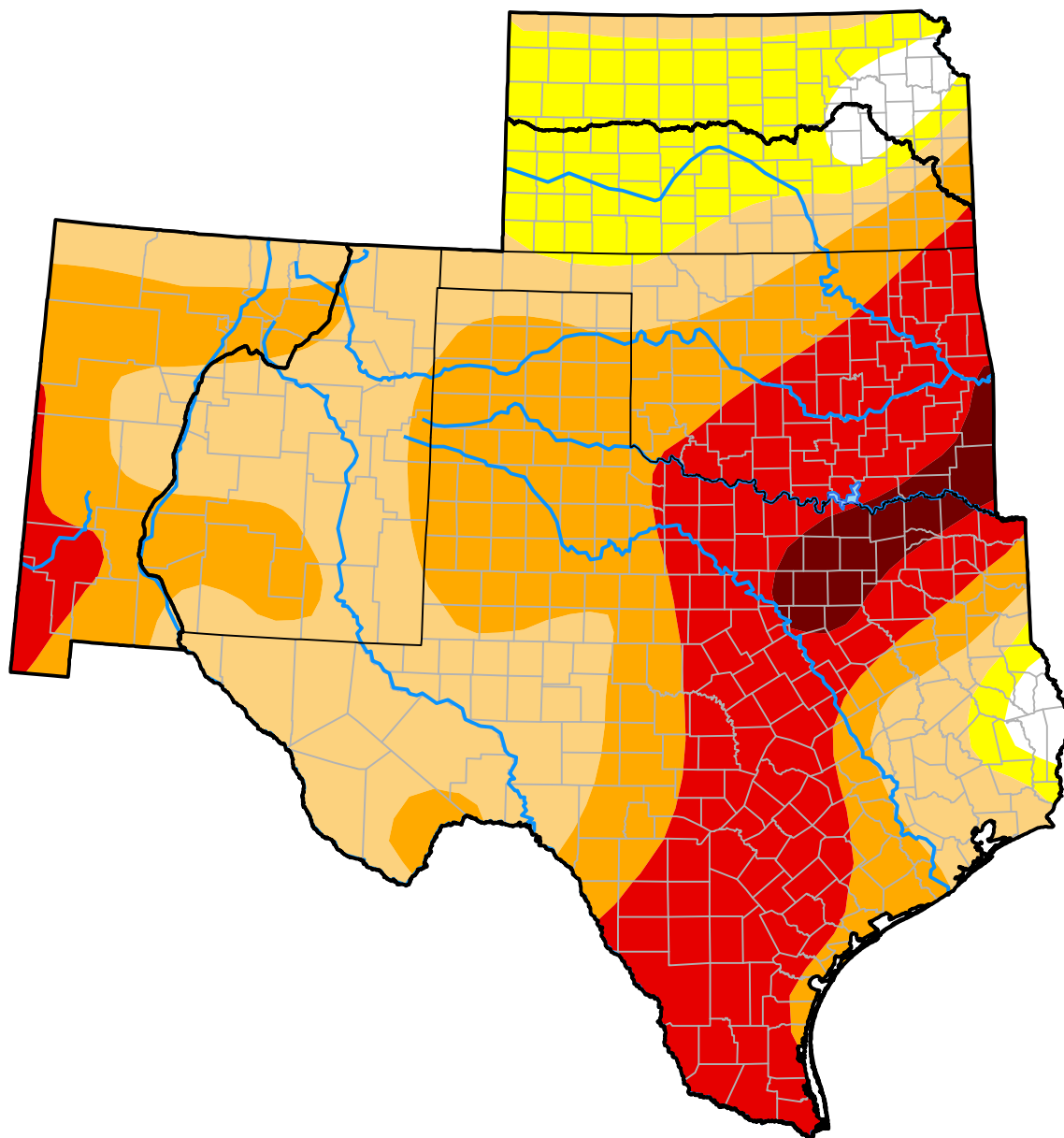


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.74	99.26	97.97	65.12	31.15	3.40
Last Week <i>02-16-2006</i>	0.74	99.26	97.48	59.64	29.73	3.20
3 Months Ago <i>11-24-2005</i>	28.72	71.28	34.73	18.57	2.55	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	7.80	92.20	54.82	28.74	14.09	3.28
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	53.54	46.46	20.76	3.74	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-24-2005</i>	82.08	17.92	12.55	4.94	2.26	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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