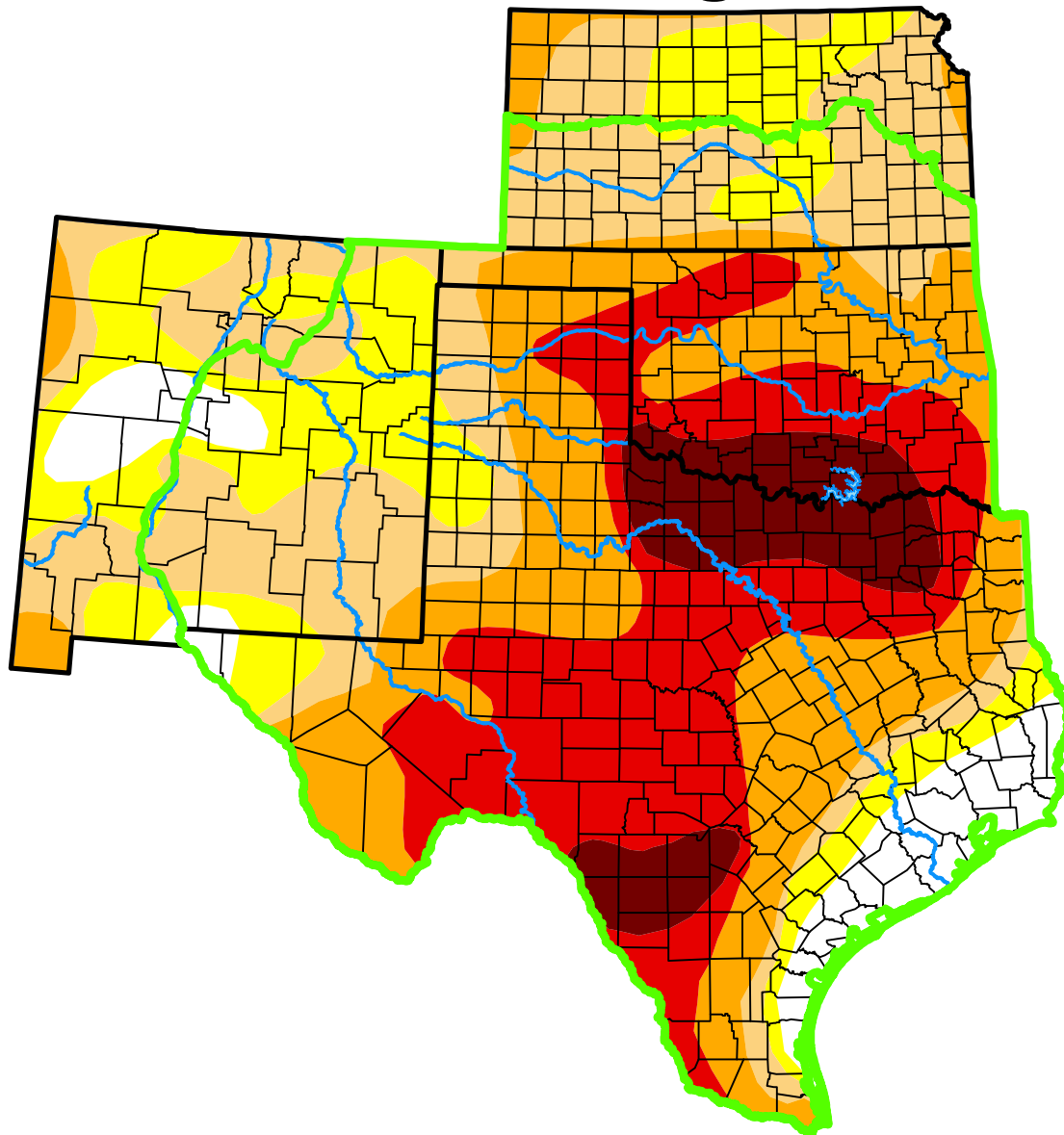


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	6.41	11.79	20.86	27.63	24.34	8.97
Last Week <i>08-08-2006</i>	5.57	12.53	24.51	21.85	27.56	7.98
3 Months Ago <i>05-16-2006</i>	10.63	29.45	17.53	16.74	20.91	4.74
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>08-16-2005</i>	69.93	13.20	9.56	6.61	0.69	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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