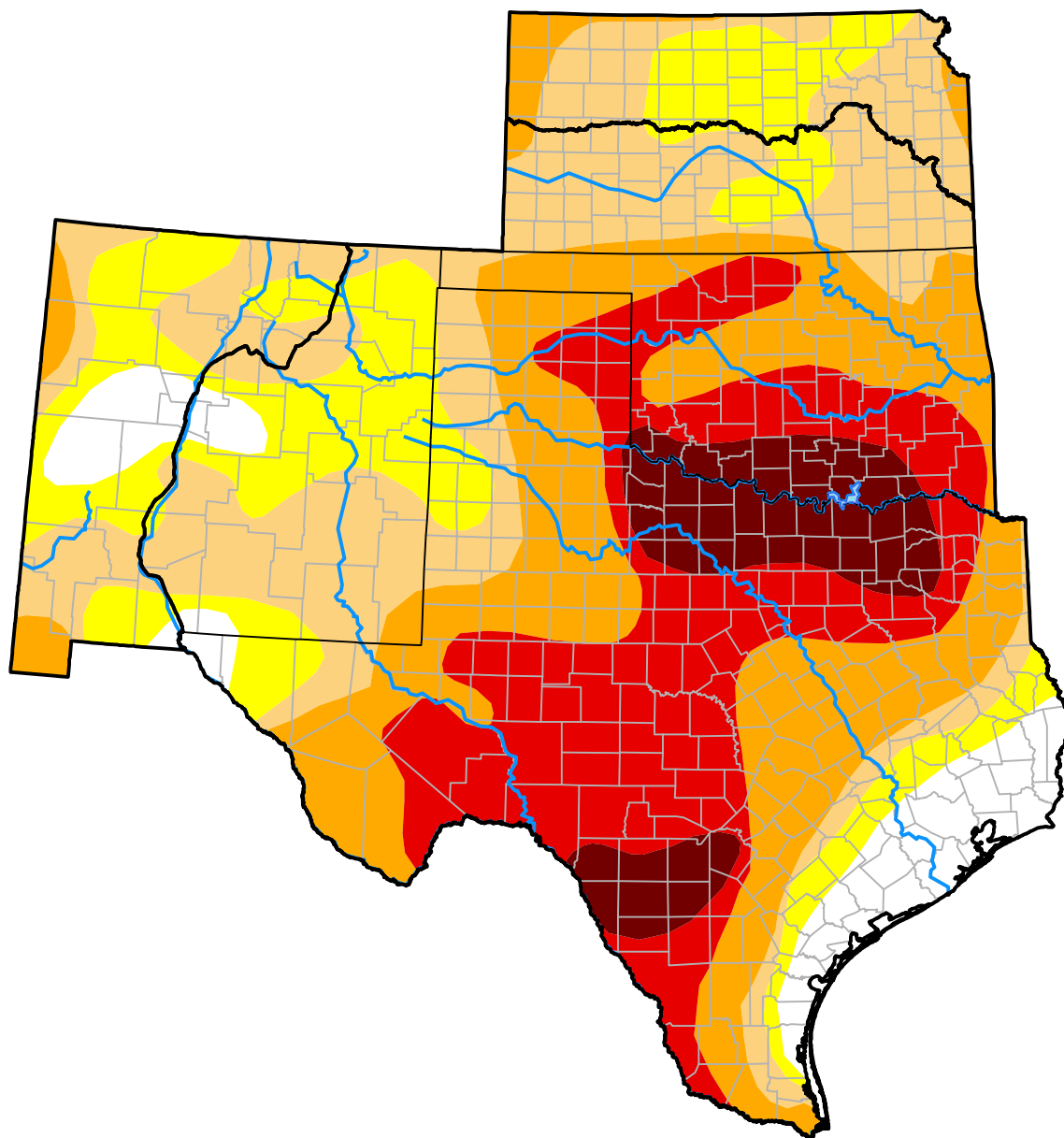


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	8.16	91.84	76.79	58.91	32.10	8.64
Last Week <i>08-10-2006</i>	5.41	94.59	77.06	55.58	34.26	7.69
3 Months Ago <i>05-18-2006</i>	8.32	91.68	65.27	48.15	31.91	5.34
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>08-18-2005</i>	59.69	40.31	22.19	7.04	0.66	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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