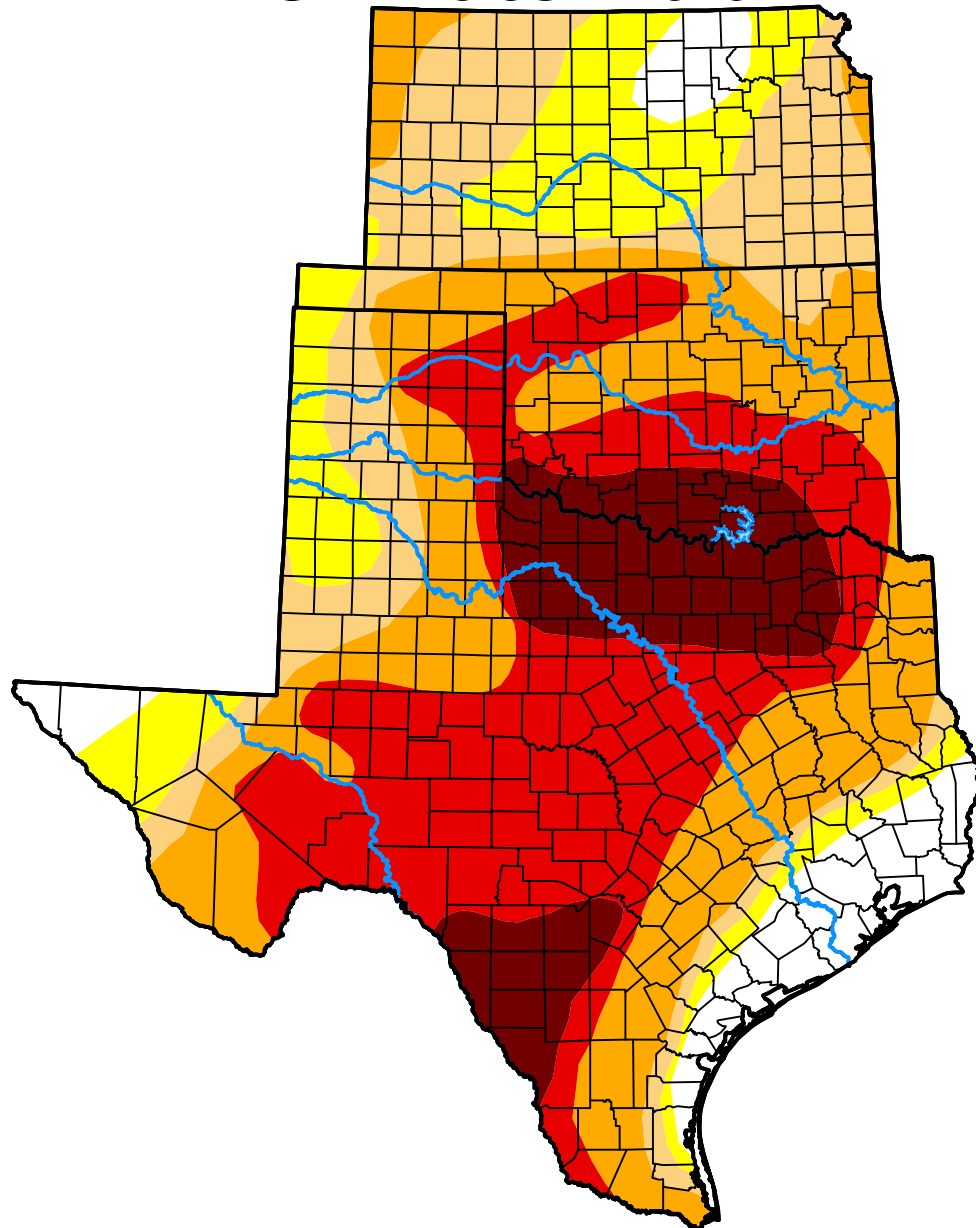


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	7.27	92.73	80.30	63.88	37.71	11.47
Last Week <i>08-15-2006</i>	5.82	94.18	84.51	65.29	35.13	9.46
3 Months Ago <i>05-23-2006</i>	13.13	86.87	60.45	33.72	17.63	5.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	20.23	79.77	53.64	31.65	15.42	3.59
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	65.26	34.74	16.69	4.09	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-23-2005</i>	75.96	24.04	14.44	7.18	0.72	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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