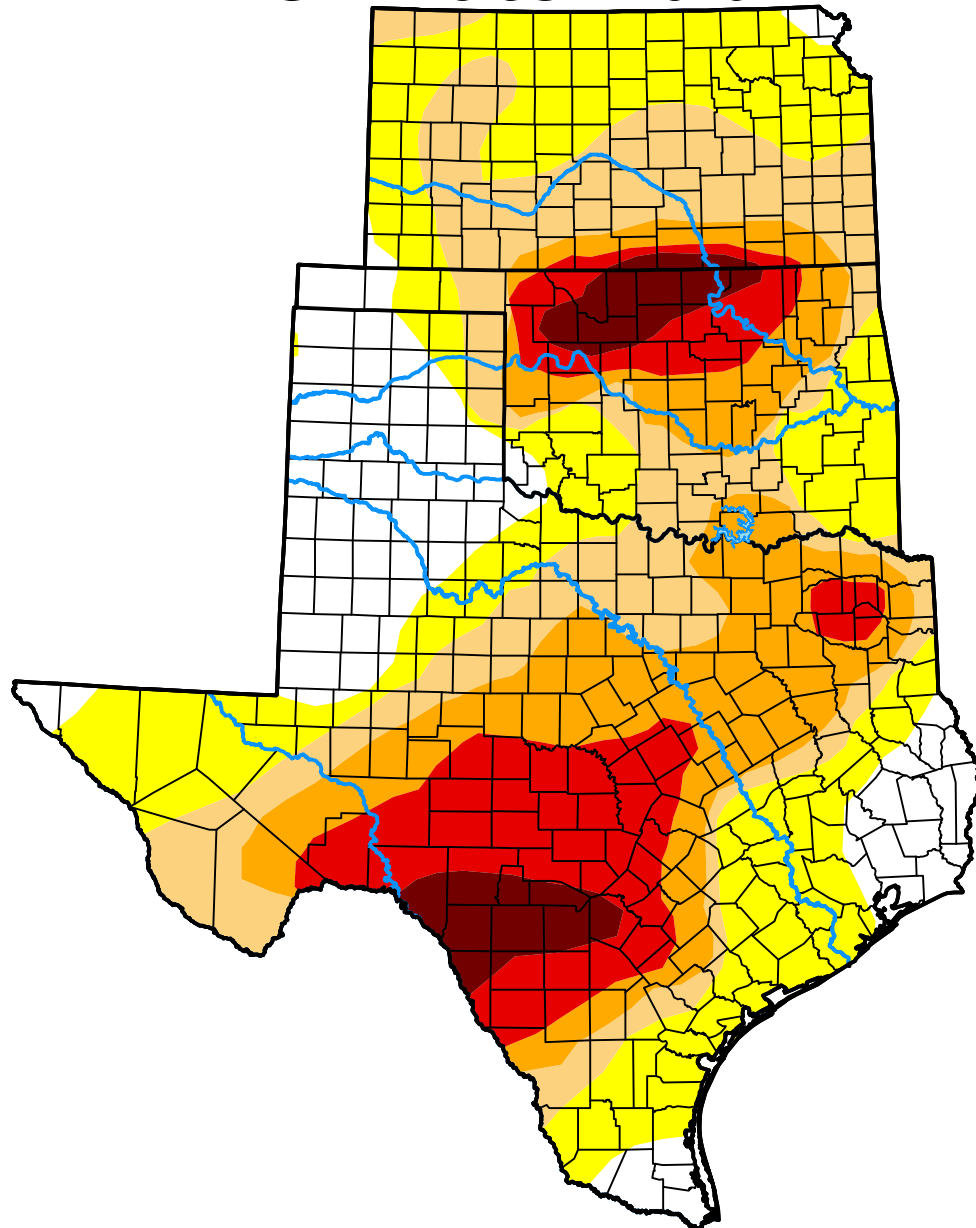


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	15.52	84.48	55.82	34.56	16.85	4.40
Last Week <i>12-12-2006</i>	19.85	80.15	55.74	34.56	16.85	4.40
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2006</i>	21.27	78.73	60.46	35.61	15.66	2.16
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>09-26-2006</i>	21.53	78.47	58.67	35.61	15.66	1.04
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2005</i>	22.40	77.60	50.97	30.42	13.82	3.05

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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