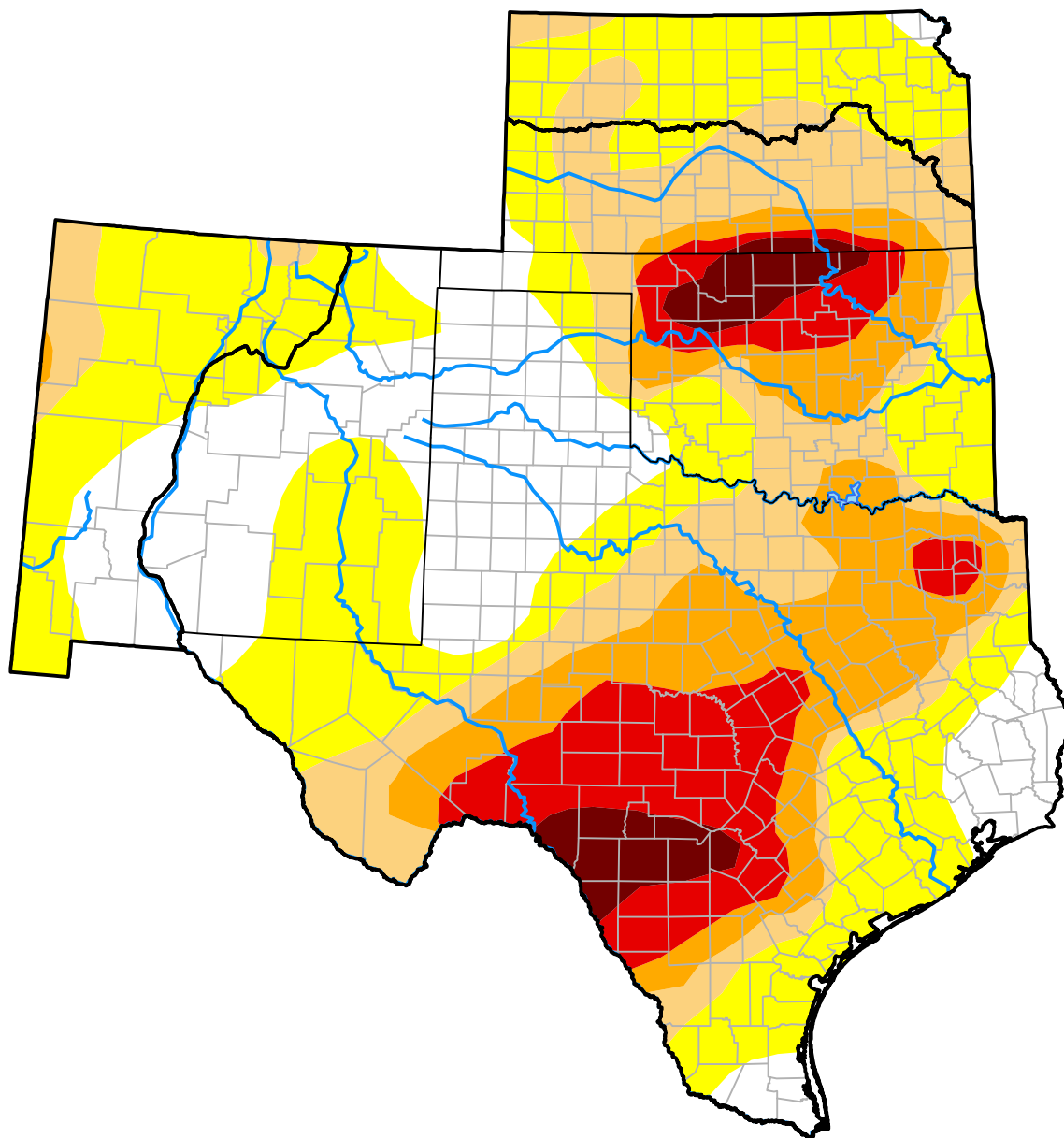


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	24.11	32.34	13.64	15.16	11.00	3.75
Last Week <i>12-14-2006</i>	32.44	24.09	13.57	15.16	11.00	3.75
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2006</i>	35.02	15.12	17.31	18.23	12.34	1.97
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	7.80	37.38	26.09	14.64	10.81	3.28
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	35.09	16.42	15.95	18.23	13.37	0.95
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2005</i>	10.13	37.81	24.30	15.13	9.84	2.79

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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