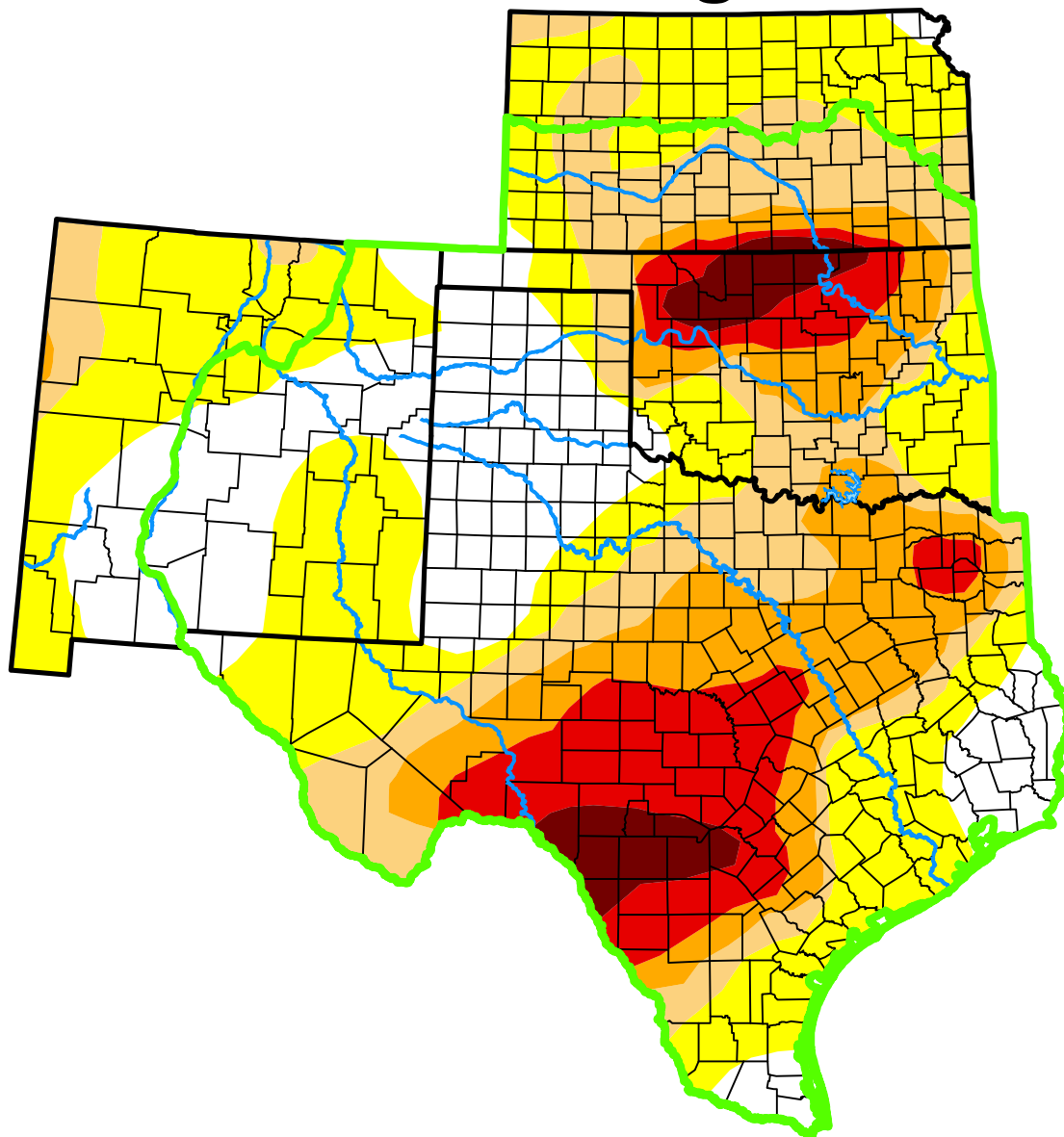


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.19	77.81	50.90	32.77	15.98	4.17
Last Week 12-12-2006	30.87	69.13	50.82	32.77	15.98	4.17
3 Months Ago 09-19-2006	31.22	68.78	53.84	33.77	14.85	2.05
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2006	15.99	84.01	53.49	30.01	14.62	3.40
Start of Water Year 09-26-2006	31.25	68.75	53.55	33.77	14.85	0.99
One Year Ago 12-20-2005	18.06	81.94	50.94	28.84	13.10	2.89

(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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