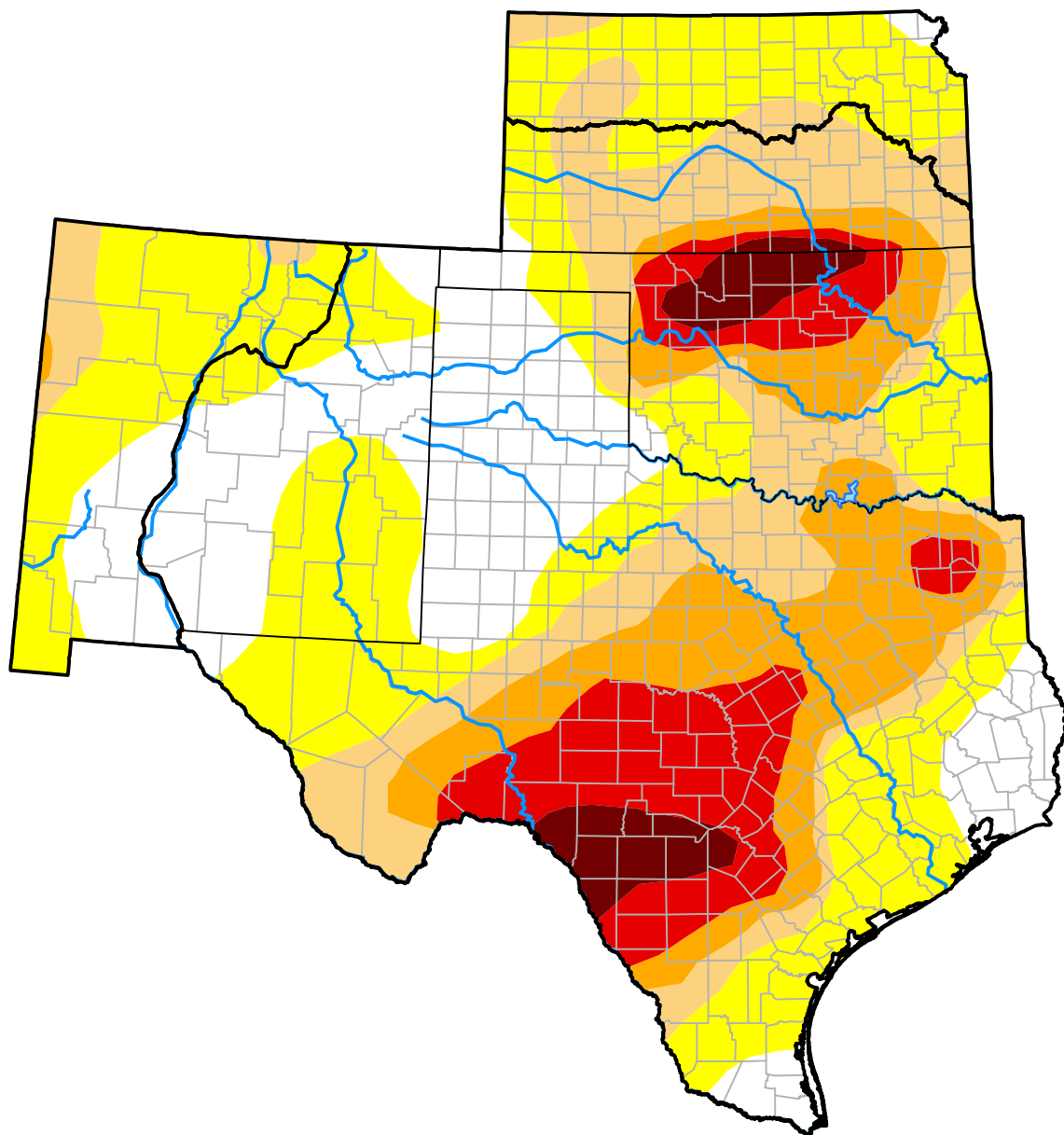


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	24.11	75.89	43.54	29.90	14.75	3.75
Last Week <i>12-14-2006</i>	32.44	67.56	43.47	29.90	14.75	3.75
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2006</i>	35.02	64.98	49.86	32.55	14.32	1.97
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>09-28-2006</i>	35.09	64.91	48.50	32.55	14.32	0.95
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2005</i>	10.13	89.87	52.06	27.76	12.63	2.79

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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