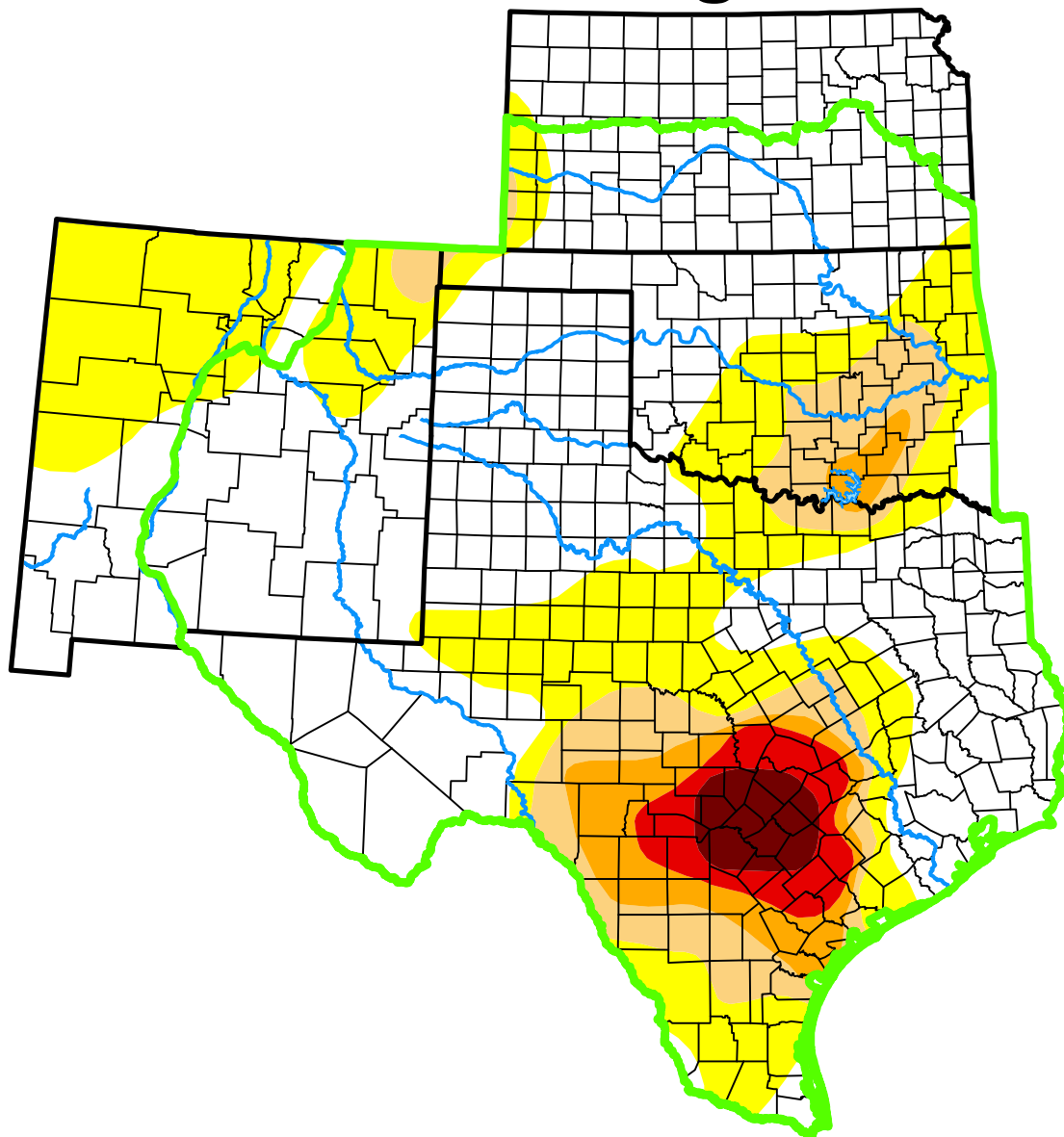


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	58.66	22.22	9.41	4.82	2.96	1.93
Last Week <i>12-02-2008</i>	60.61	22.70	8.12	4.08	3.74	0.75
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2008</i>	60.09	21.93	11.12	5.06	1.80	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	55.55	35.17	9.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	69.61	15.54	8.36	4.30	2.19	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2007</i>	48.47	44.29	7.24	0.00	0.00	0.00

(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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