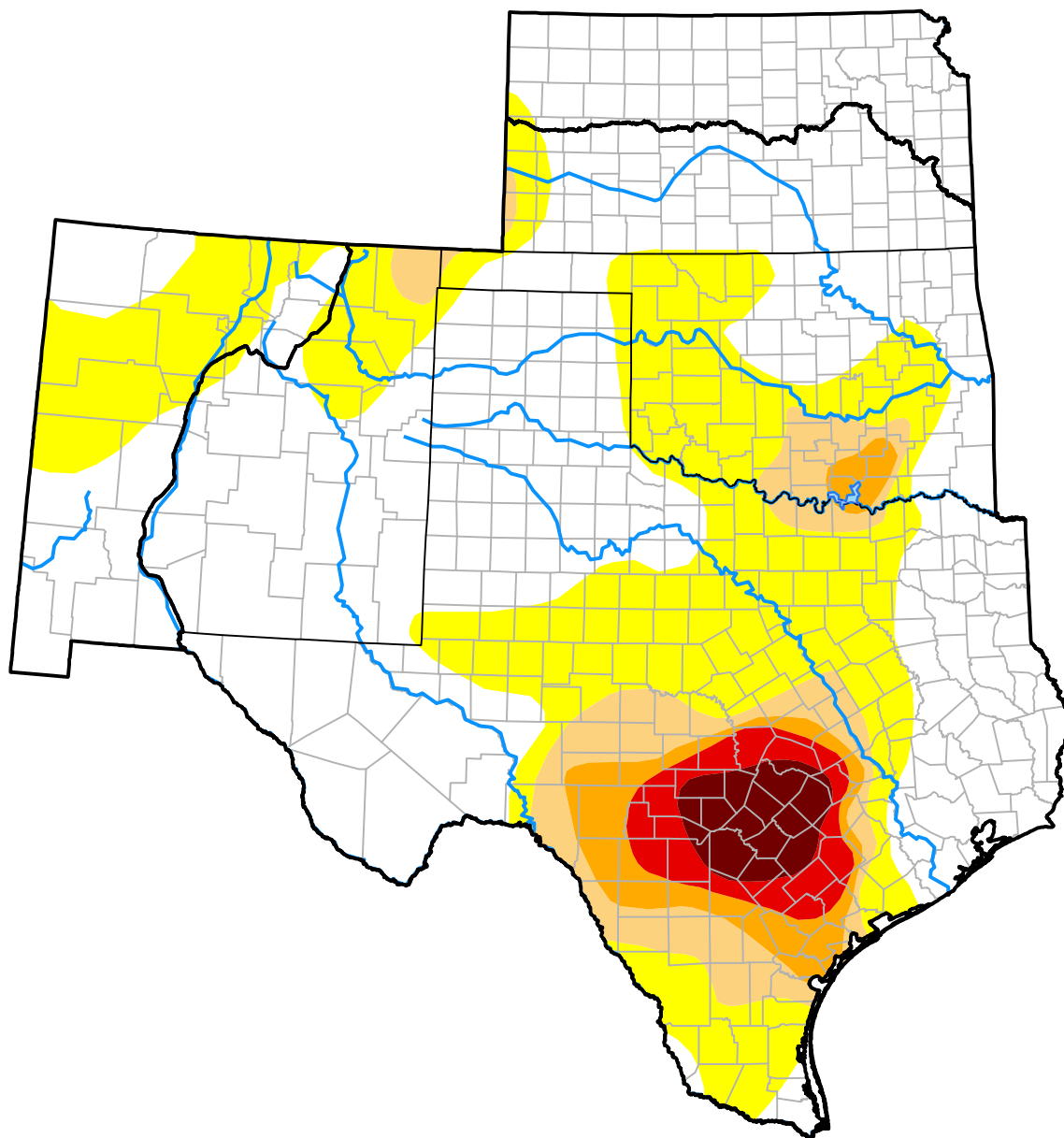


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.57	47.43	16.48	9.21	5.27	2.41
Last Week <i>12-24-2008</i>	44.63	55.37	18.31	9.36	5.27	2.41
3 Months Ago <i>10-02-2008</i>	70.49	29.51	12.92	6.06	2.11	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	59.56	40.44	8.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	70.49	29.51	12.92	6.06	2.11	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-03-2008</i>	59.56	40.44	8.08	0.00	0.00	0.00

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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