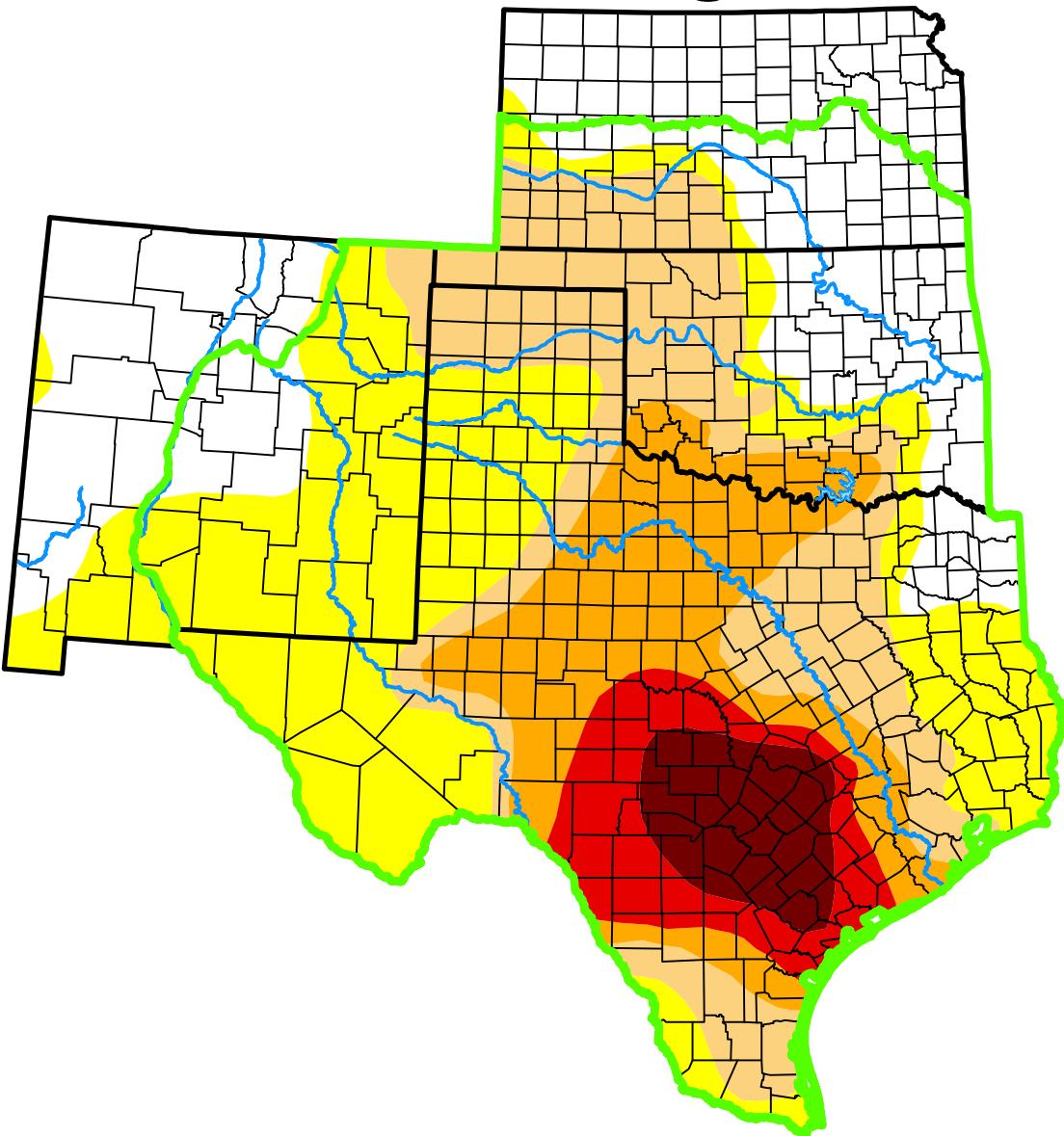


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



February 24, 2009  
(Released Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	16.60	83.40	50.64	27.87	12.01	5.15
Last Week 02-17-2009	17.19	82.81	43.75	27.87	12.01	5.15
3 Months Ago 11-25-2008	63.97	36.03	16.52	8.57	4.29	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-30-2008	55.60	44.40	17.22	9.56	5.47	2.50
Start of Water Year 09-30-2008	69.61	30.39	14.85	6.49	2.19	0.00
One Year Ago 02-26-2008	35.36	64.64	30.21	11.64	1.21	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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