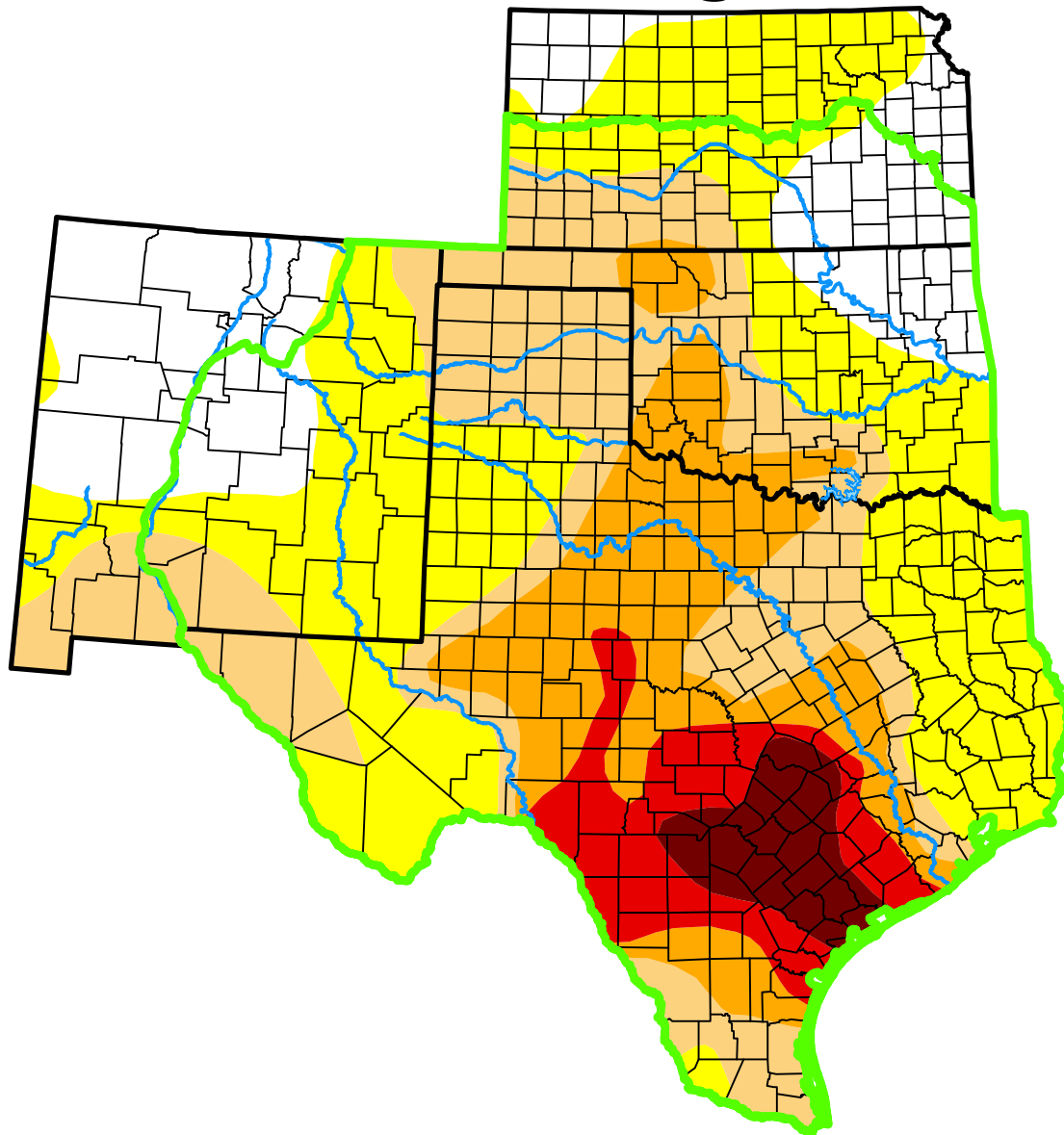


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	9.23	35.00	26.00	17.84	7.67	4.27
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-10-2009</i>	9.23	26.28	34.09	16.88	7.74	5.78
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-16-2008</i>	56.66	24.22	9.41	4.25	2.96	2.50
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.60	27.18	7.66	4.09	2.96	2.50
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	69.61	15.54	8.36	4.30	2.19	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-18-2008</i>	38.27	17.94	34.28	7.14	2.36	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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