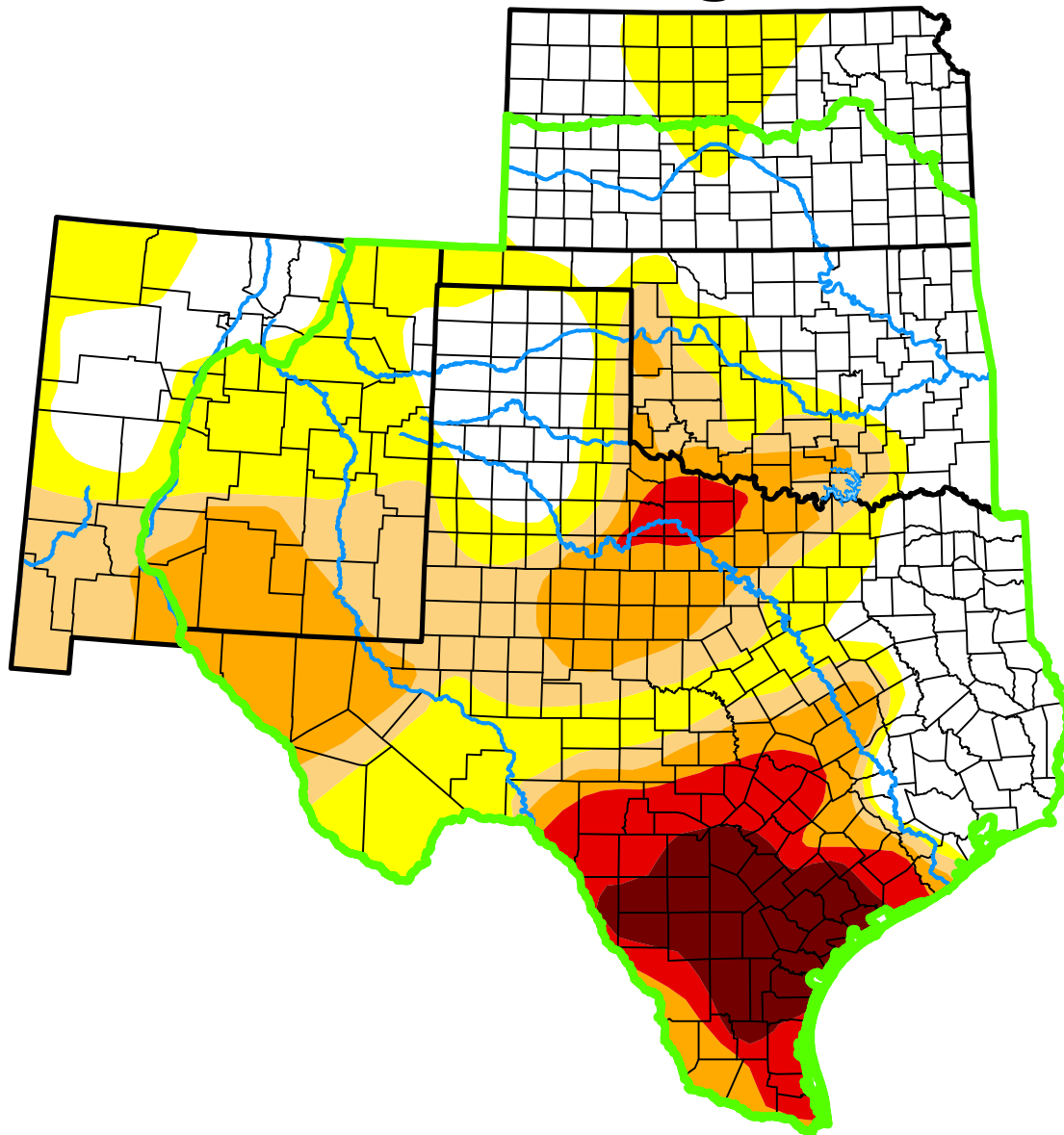


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	32.73	67.27	44.43	29.46	12.88	5.86
Last Week <i>04-21-2009</i>	30.14	69.86	47.12	32.25	13.69	6.75
3 Months Ago <i>01-27-2009</i>	20.91	79.09	44.20	24.58	9.93	2.50
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.60	44.40	17.22	9.56	5.47	2.50
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	69.61	30.39	14.85	6.49	2.19	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-29-2008</i>	42.80	57.20	42.62	25.51	6.35	2.00

(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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