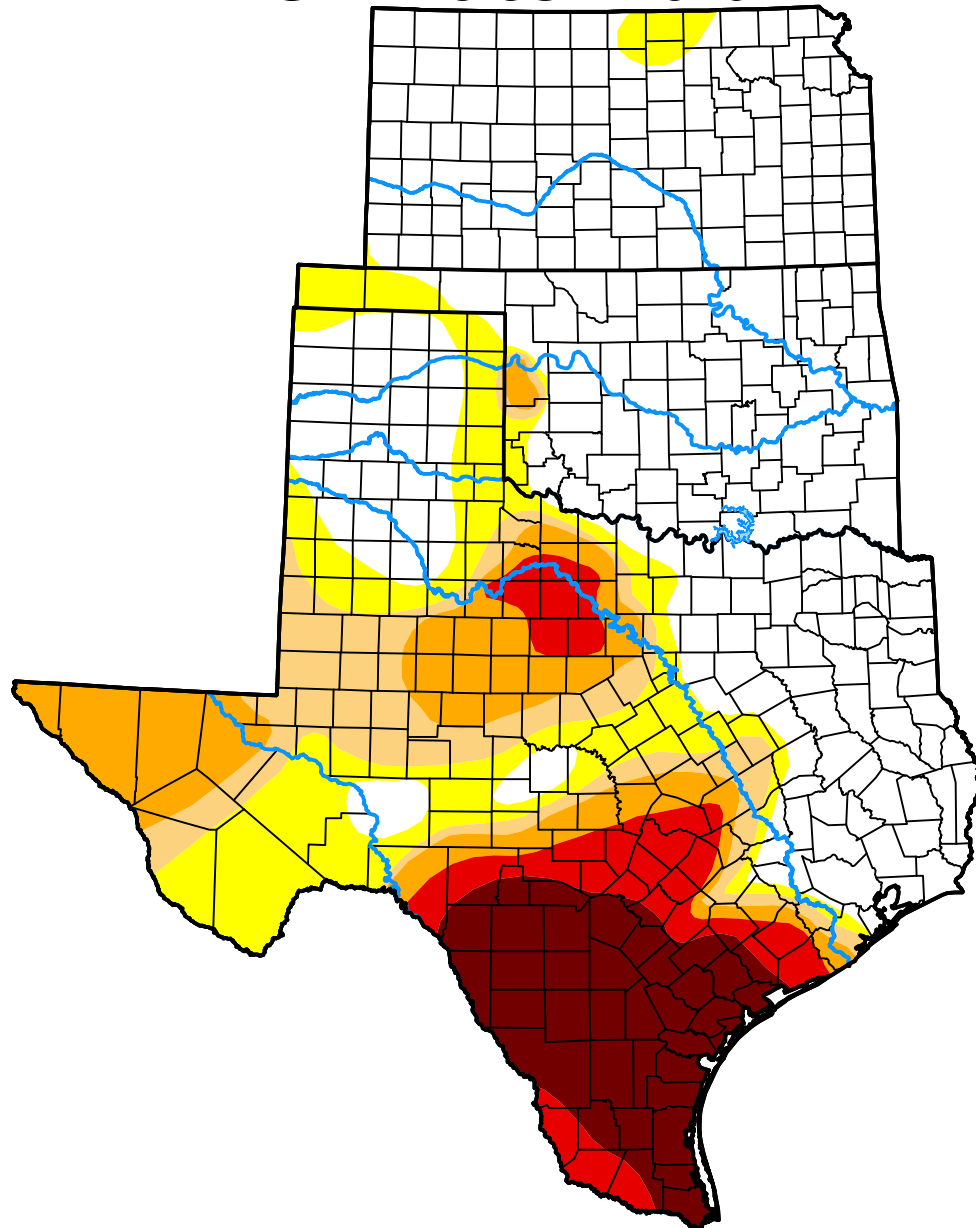


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southern Plains

Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.04	13.51	8.10	9.30	5.59	9.46
Last Week <i>05-05-2009</i>	50.58	14.69	9.53	11.47	7.55	6.18
3 Months Ago <i>02-10-2009</i>	21.14	27.10	20.85	18.48	7.60	4.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	26.16	7.65	4.31	3.12	2.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	11.60	8.38	4.53	2.31	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-13-2008</i>	58.40	15.48	9.96	11.78	4.37	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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