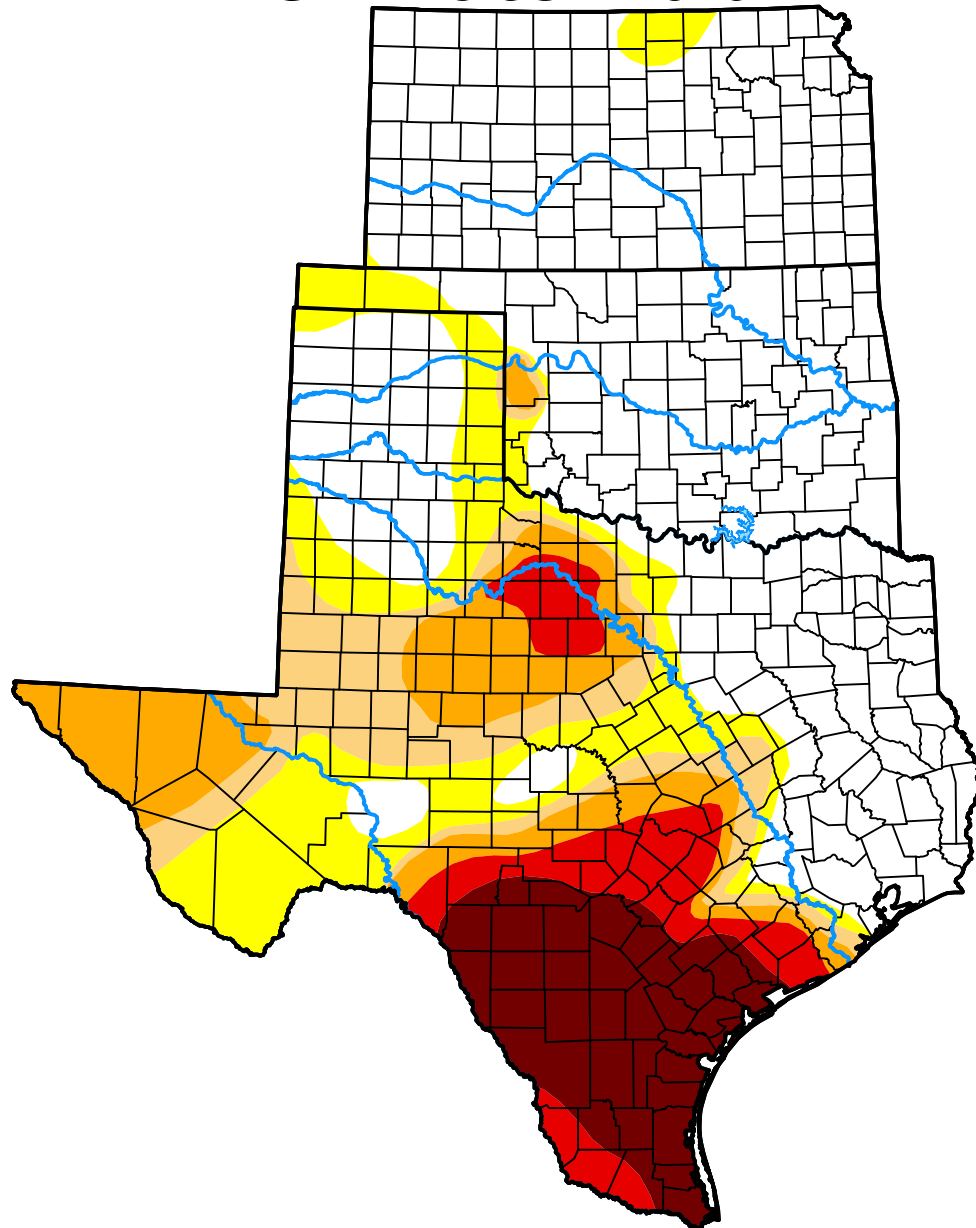


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	54.04	45.96	32.45	24.35	15.05	9.46
Last Week <i>05-05-2009</i>	50.58	49.42	34.73	25.20	13.74	6.18
3 Months Ago <i>02-10-2009</i>	21.14	78.86	51.76	30.91	12.44	4.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	56.12	43.88	17.73	10.08	5.76	2.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	73.18	26.82	15.22	6.84	2.31	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-13-2008</i>	58.40	41.60	26.12	16.15	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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