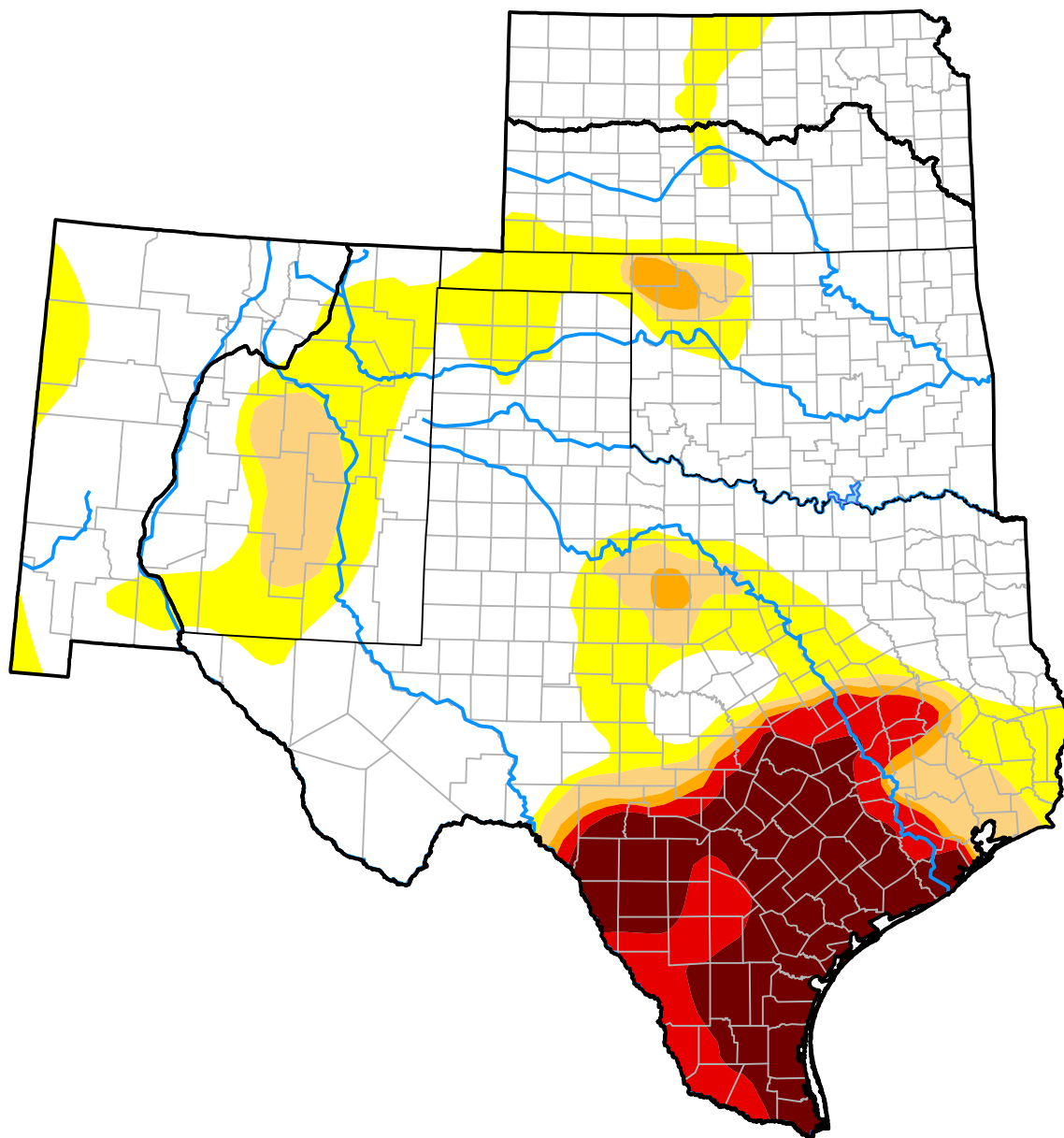


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	58.30	17.96	6.53	1.70	4.99	10.52
Last Week <i>08-13-2009</i>	57.48	18.82	6.39	1.86	5.68	9.77
3 Months Ago <i>05-21-2009</i>	38.37	17.94	15.58	16.22	6.95	4.94
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i>	52.57	30.95	7.26	3.94	2.86	2.41
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	70.49	16.59	6.85	3.95	2.11	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-21-2008</i>	46.97	27.73	12.15	8.92	4.23	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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