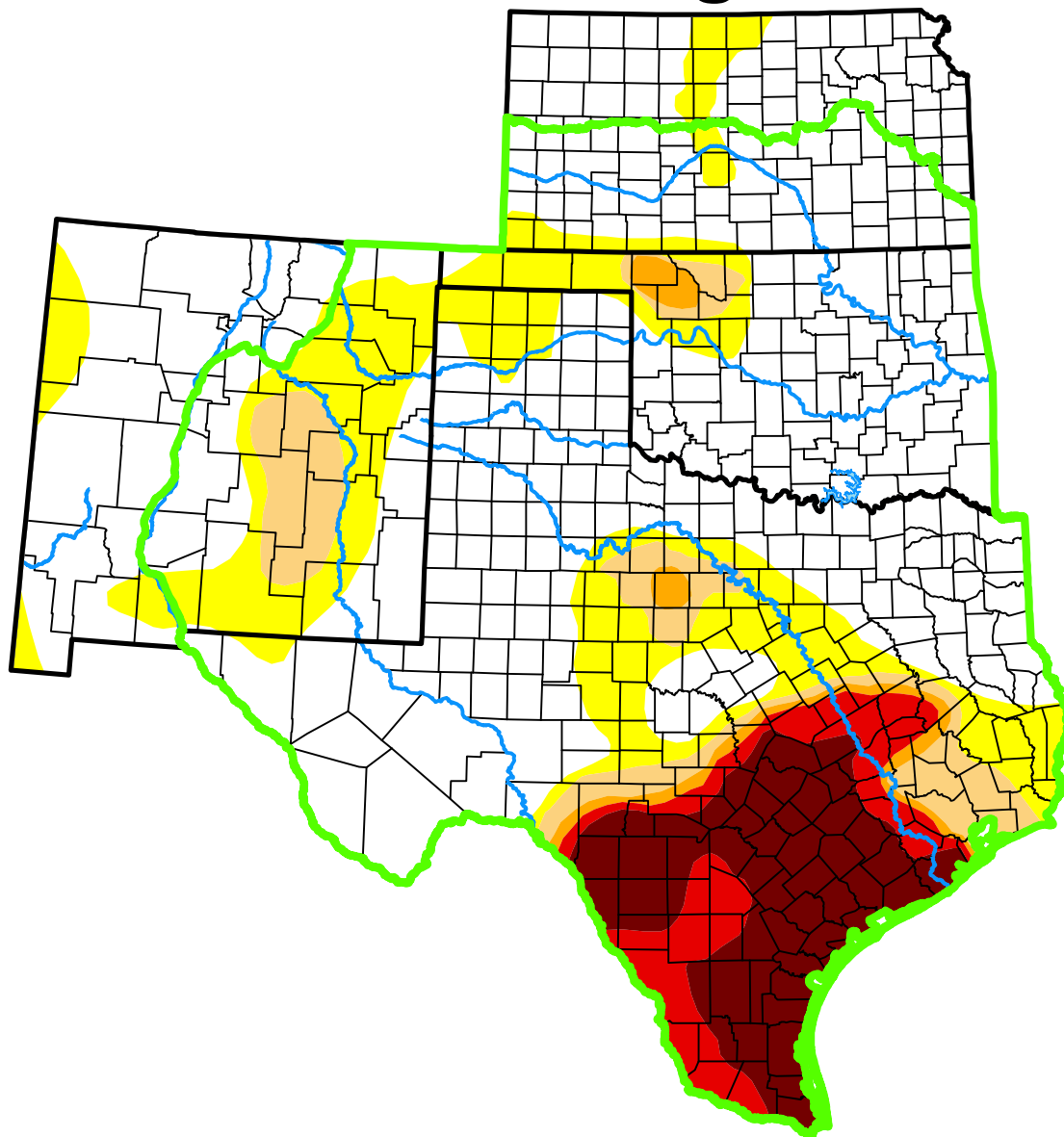


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	57.33	42.67	24.63	17.85	16.09	10.92
Last Week <i>08-11-2009</i>	56.48	43.52	24.59	17.95	16.03	10.14
3 Months Ago <i>05-19-2009</i>	43.64	56.36	41.63	28.49	12.33	5.12
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>08-19-2008</i>	44.47	55.53	27.81	13.84	4.39	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

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