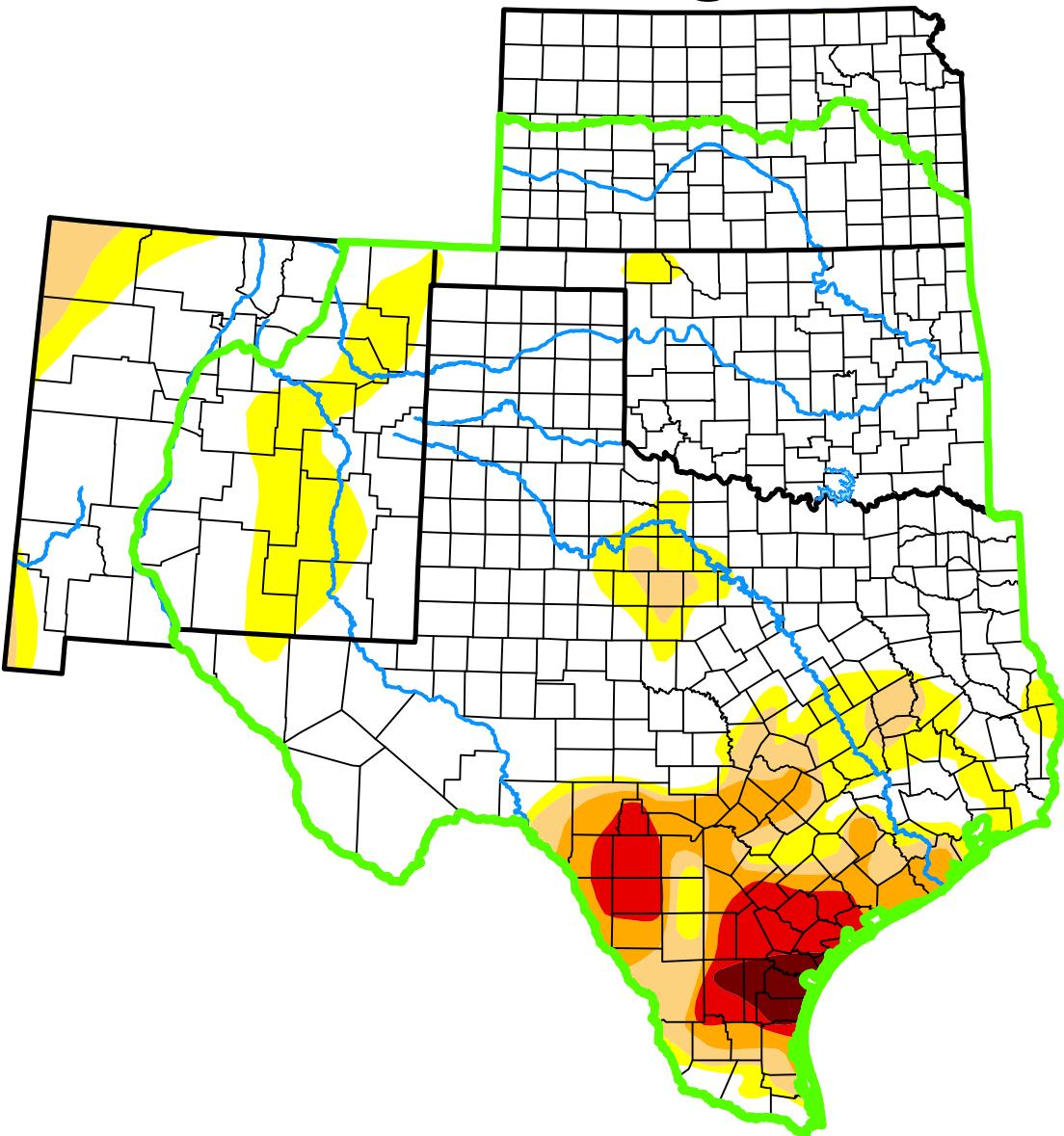


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| Current | 74.05 | 12.48 | 4.74 | 4.66 | 3.20 | 0.88 |
| Last Week 09-29-2009 | 72.67 | 10.57 | 3.53 | 5.81 | 5.53 | 1.89 |
| 3 Months Ago 07-07-2009 | 40.60 | 25.67 | 15.32 | 4.94 | 5.00 | 8.47 |
| Start of Calendar Year 12-30-2008 | 55.60 | 27.18 | 7.66 | 4.09 | 2.96 | 2.50 |
| Start of Water Year 09-29-2009 | 72.67 | 10.57 | 3.53 | 5.81 | 5.53 | 1.89 |
| One Year Ago 10-07-2008 | 69.95 | 15.08 | 7.61 | 5.17 | 2.19 | 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 |

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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