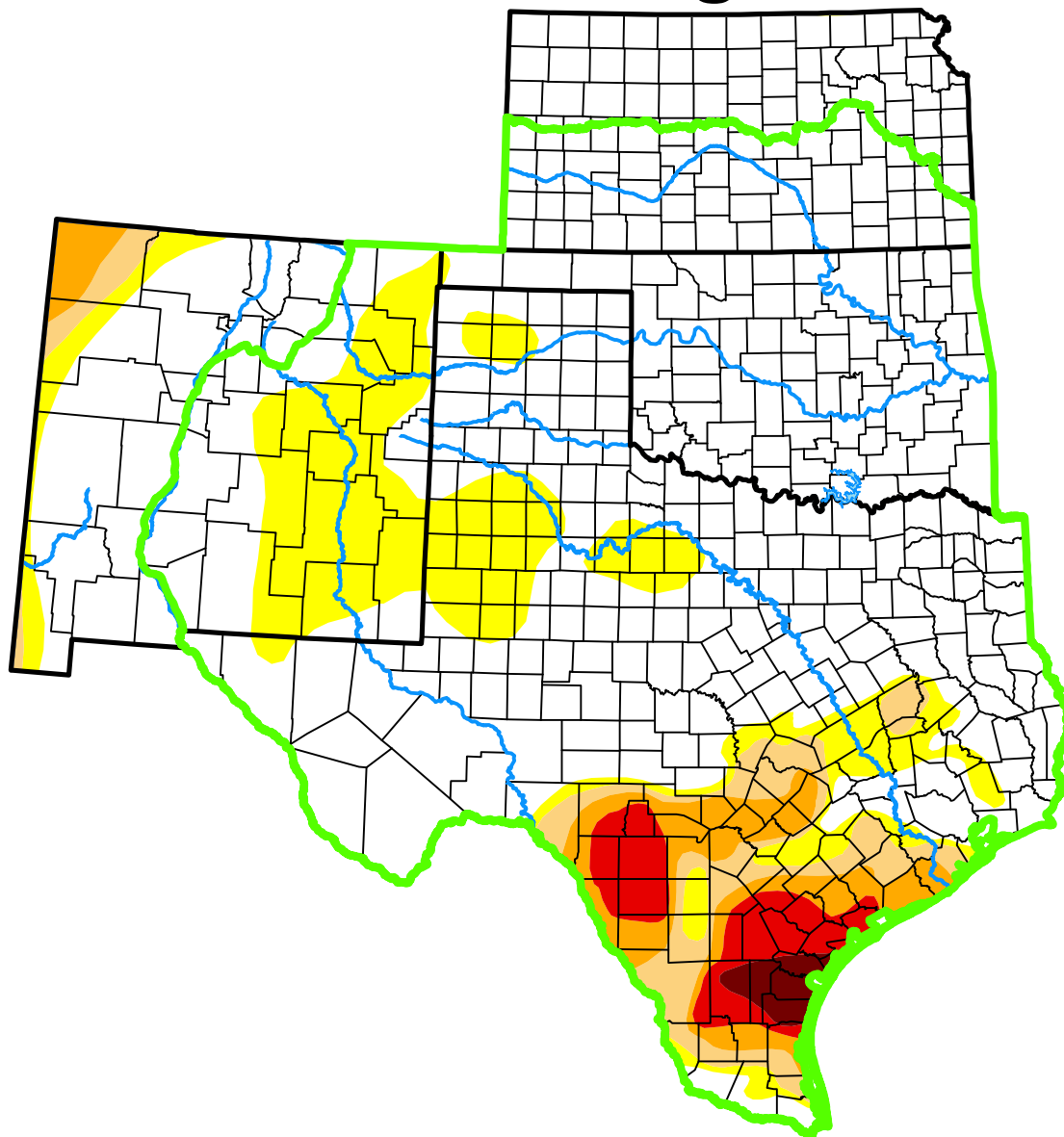


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS

and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	71.32	16.12	4.29	4.14	3.24	0.88
Last Week <i>10-13-2009</i>	76.01	11.46	4.49	4.28	2.88	0.88
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2009</i>	35.88	31.26	13.96	4.05	4.92	9.93
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.60	27.18	7.66	4.09	2.96	2.50
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	72.67	10.57	3.53	5.81	5.53	1.89
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2008</i>	74.57	13.47	4.89	4.36	2.72	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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