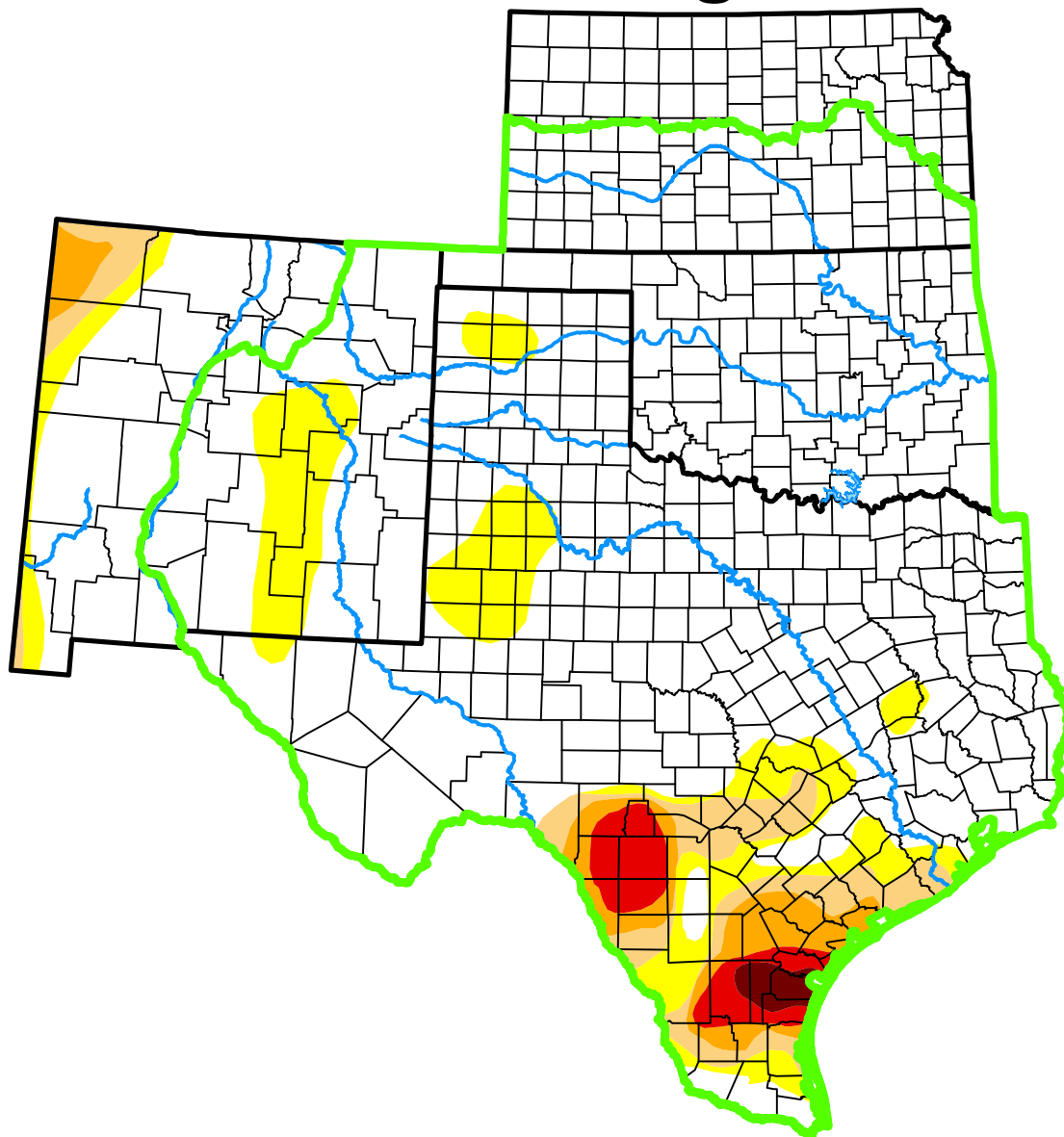


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	81.11	18.89	8.89	5.24	2.62	0.54
Last Week <i>10-20-2009</i>	71.32	28.68	12.55	8.26	4.12	0.88
3 Months Ago <i>07-28-2009</i>	47.23	52.77	30.45	19.71	14.87	11.28
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>09-29-2009</i>	72.67	27.33	16.75	13.22	7.42	1.89
One Year Ago <i>10-28-2008</i>	68.69	31.31	14.77	9.15	3.03	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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