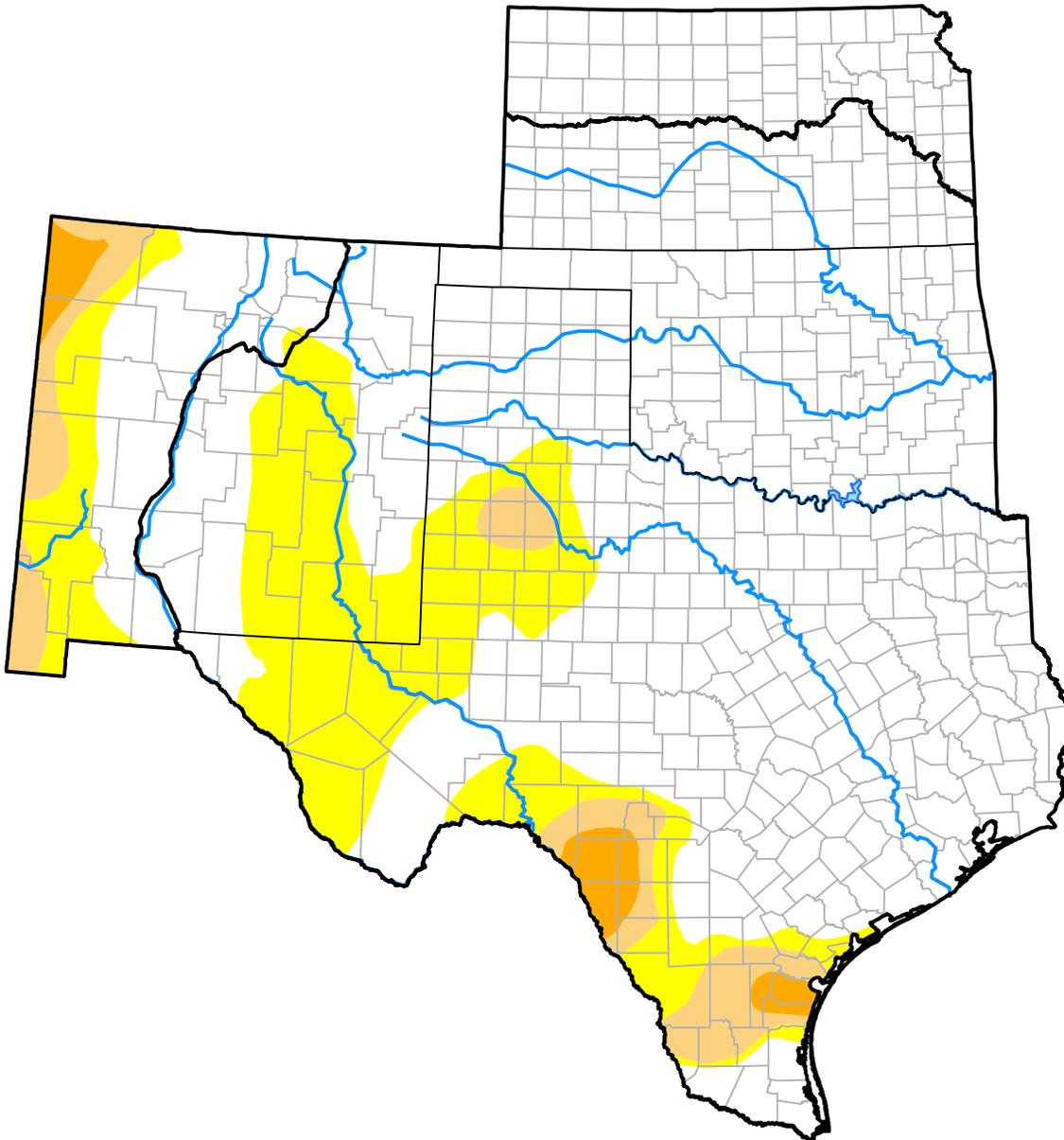


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	72.43	20.16	5.47	1.95	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-17-2009</i>	72.14	20.25	4.36	3.25	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-24-2009</i>	70.77	11.91	4.04	4.26	6.81	2.20
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>10-01-2009</i>	71.51	11.55	4.20	5.60	5.33	1.82
One Year Ago <i>12-24-2008</i>	44.63	37.07	8.95	4.09	2.86	2.41

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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