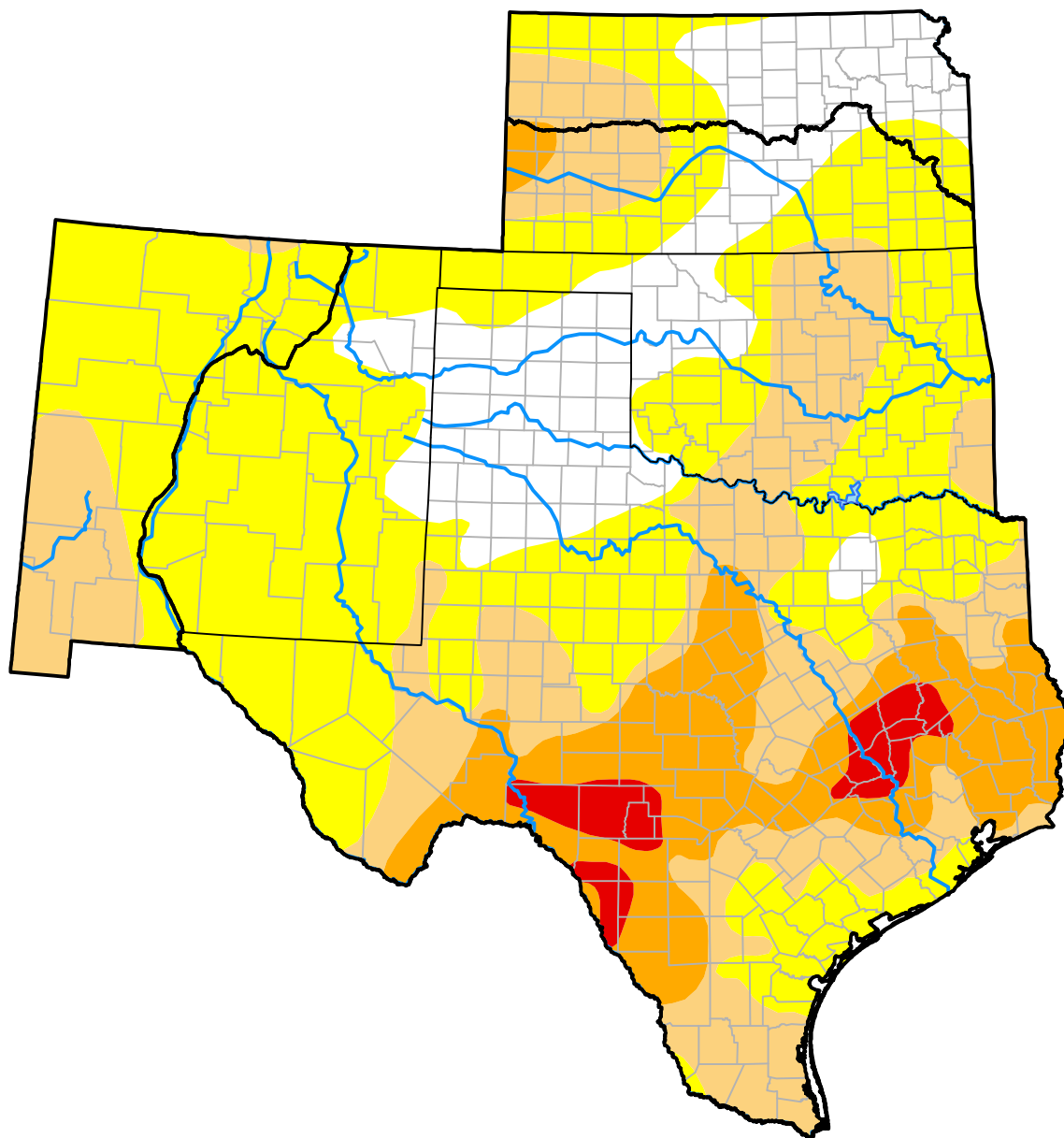


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**December 14, 2010**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 16, 2010)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 12.01 | 45.96 | 24.57 | 14.45 | 3.02 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-09-2010</i>              | 22.48 | 43.75 | 18.40 | 13.17 | 2.21 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-16-2010</i>           | 74.21 | 22.65 | 2.57  | 0.56  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2009</i> | 72.79 | 20.46 | 4.80  | 1.95  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2010</i>    | 74.44 | 23.51 | 1.48  | 0.57  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-17-2009</i>           | 72.14 | 20.25 | 4.36  | 3.25  | 0.00 | 0.00 |

### 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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