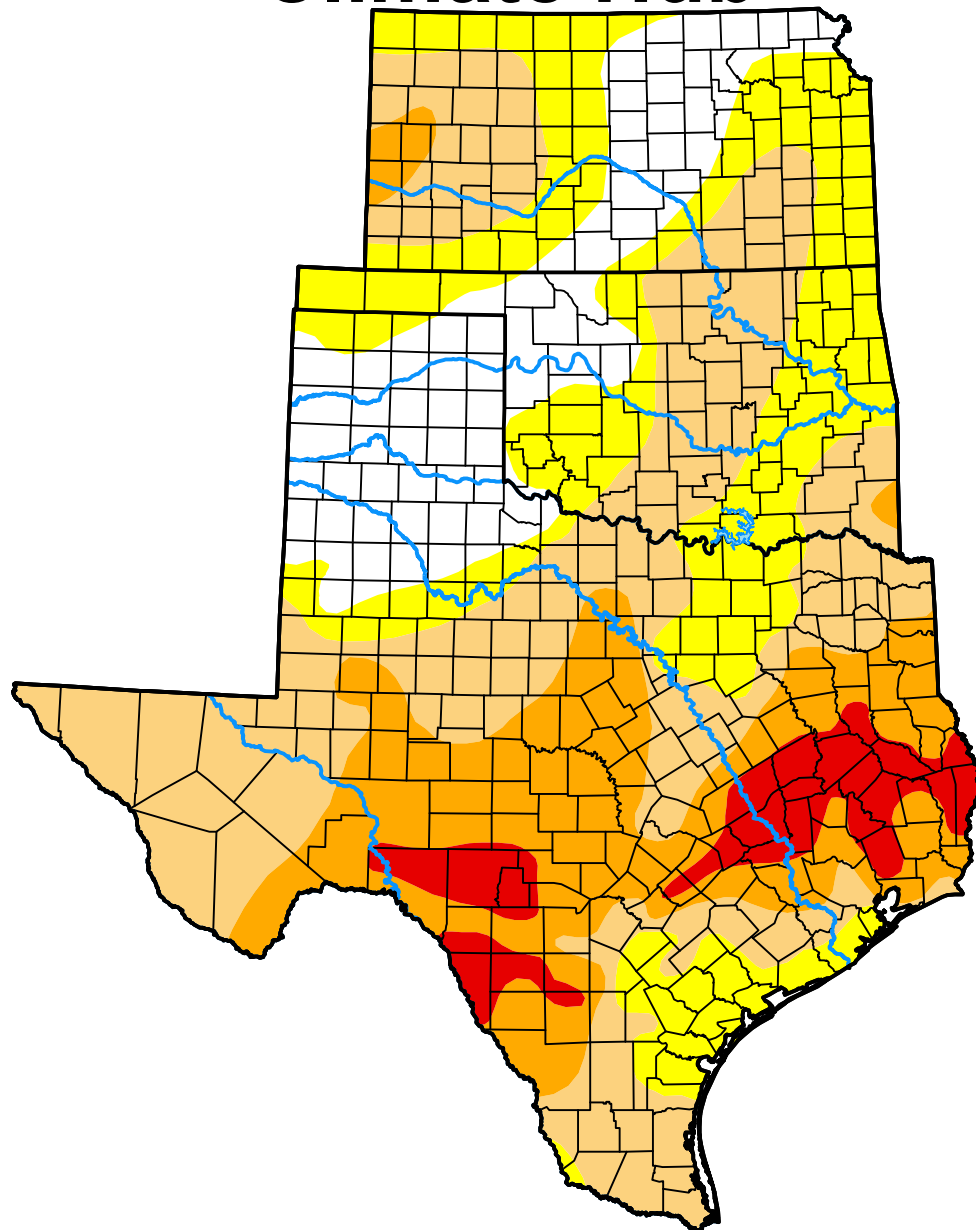


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	16.09	24.13	34.55	19.09	6.14	0.00
Last Week <i>12-14-2010</i>	18.77	35.56	26.05	16.31	3.30	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2010</i>	78.17	19.00	2.21	0.62	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	82.78	12.78	2.97	1.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	75.52	22.23	1.62	0.63	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2009</i>	82.38	12.44	3.70	1.47	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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