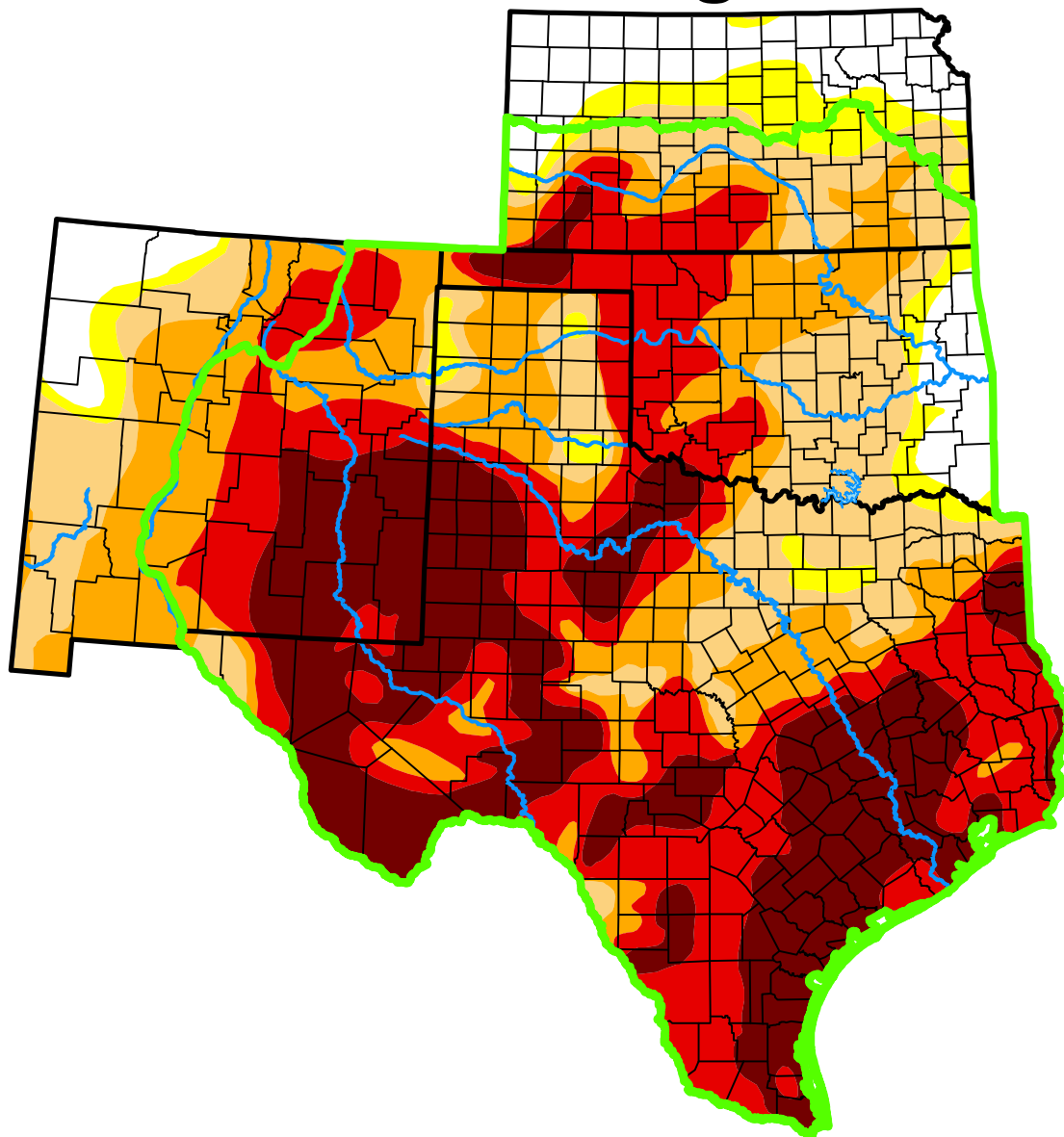


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**December 20, 2011**

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	2.72	97.28	94.02	77.98	58.27	29.14
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-13-2011</i>	2.35	97.65	95.51	82.43	63.85	30.44
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-20-2011</i>	0.00	100.00	99.98	98.56	89.51	72.99
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2011</i>	12.14	87.86	50.80	22.64	7.86	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2011</i>	0.00	100.00	99.98	98.75	88.33	73.18
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-21-2010</i>	13.77	86.23	60.35	23.75	5.82	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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