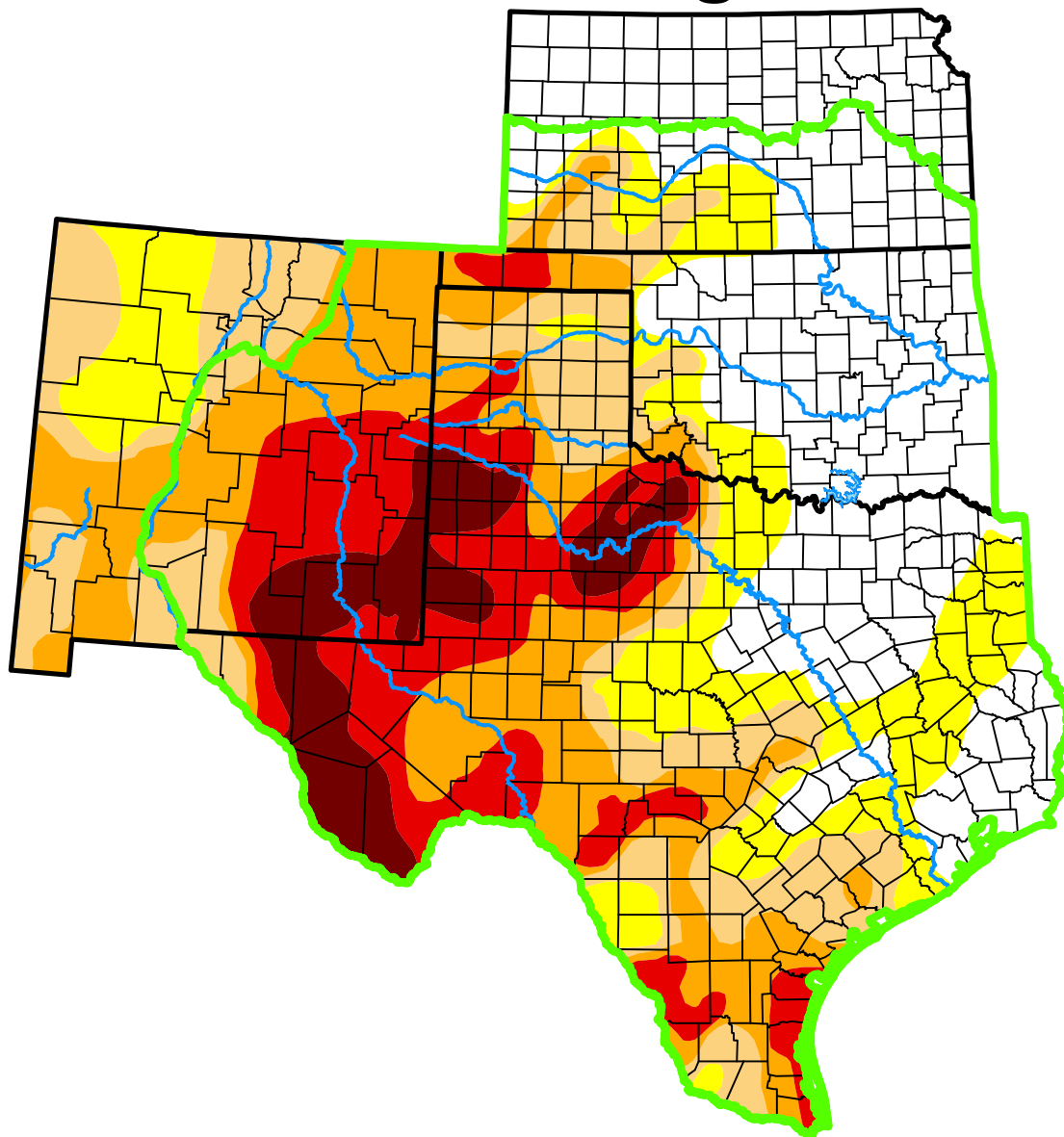


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	28.32	14.65	14.04	19.41	15.32	8.26
Last Week <i>04-10-2012</i>	26.51	15.27	12.31	19.73	15.61	10.58
3 Months Ago <i>01-17-2012</i>	3.80	5.60	15.41	23.99	33.26	17.95
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	2.88	3.17	16.40	23.79	31.51	22.25
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	0.00	0.02	1.23	10.42	15.15	73.18
One Year Ago <i>04-19-2011</i>	1.44	5.10	12.83	28.15	43.46	9.03

(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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