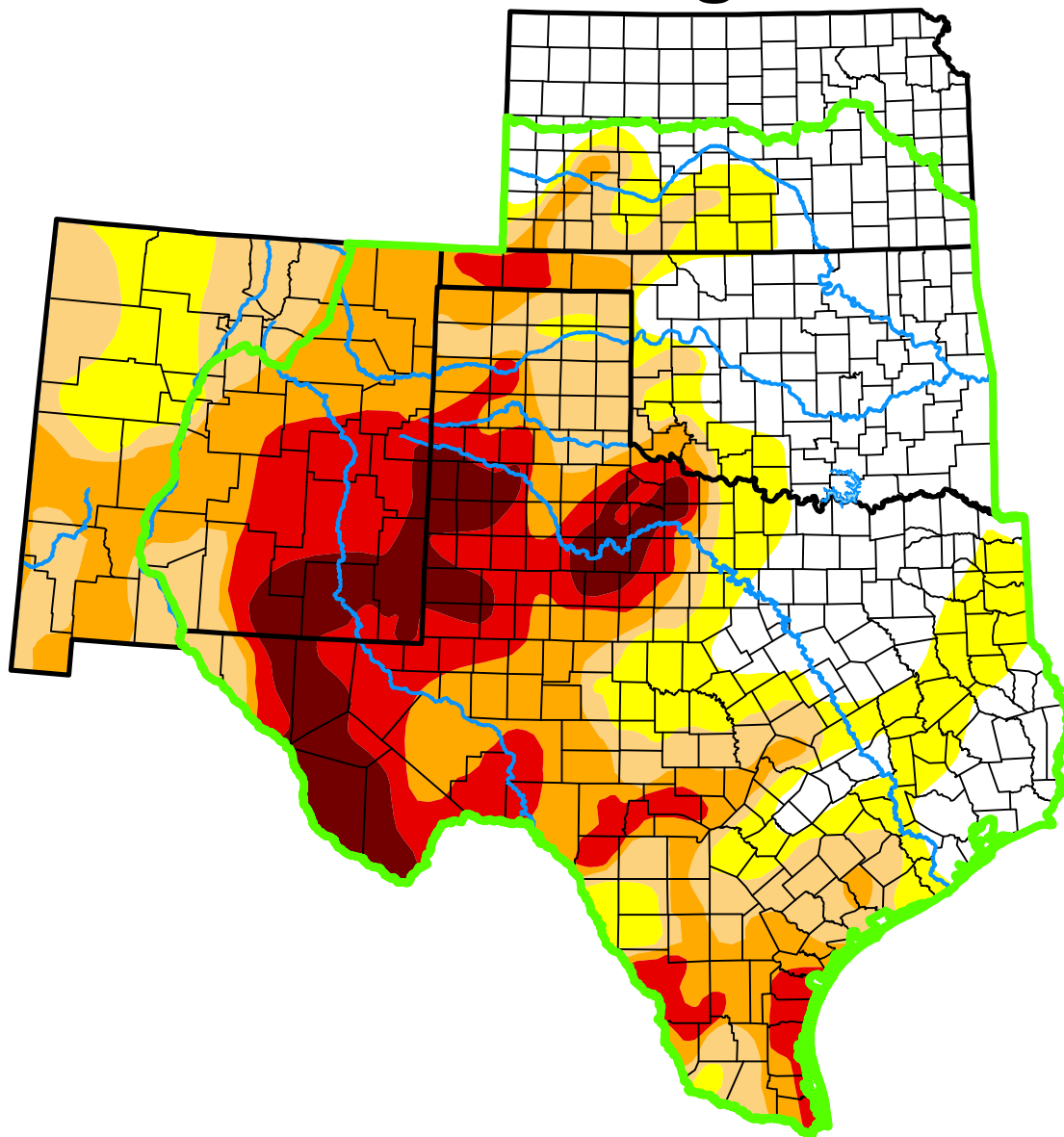


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	28.32	71.68	57.03	42.98	23.57	8.26
Last Week 04-10-2012	26.51	73.49	58.23	45.92	26.19	10.58
3 Months Ago 01-17-2012	3.80	96.20	90.61	75.20	51.21	17.95
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	2.88	97.12	93.95	77.55	53.77	22.25
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	0.00	100.00	99.98	98.75	88.33	73.18
One Year Ago 04-19-2011	1.44	98.56	93.46	80.64	52.49	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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