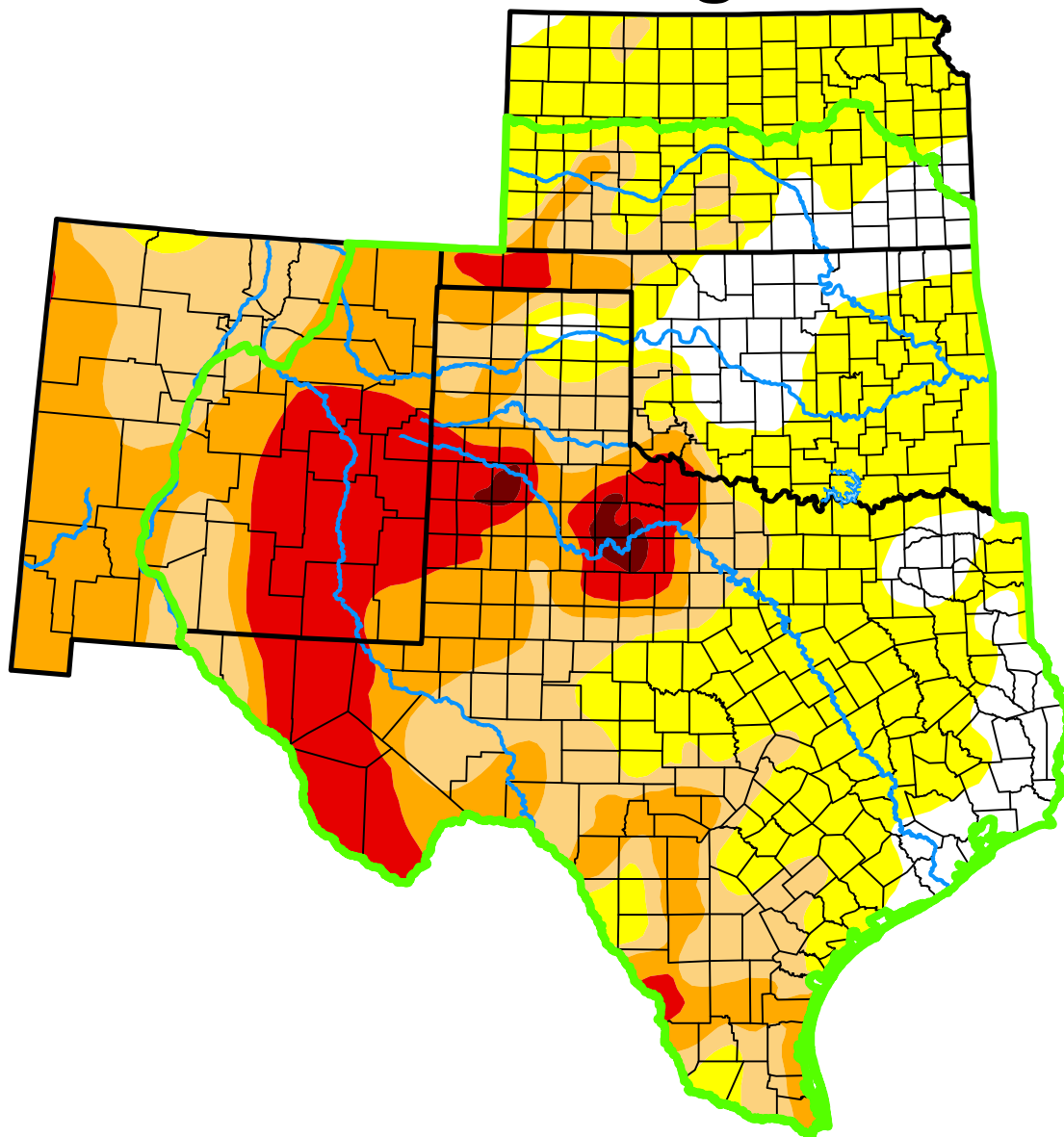


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	12.72	87.28	53.76	34.61	15.32	0.69
Last Week <i>05-15-2012</i>	28.85	71.15	52.61	34.61	15.32	1.03
3 Months Ago <i>02-21-2012</i>	7.75	92.25	84.34	63.69	34.93	11.28
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	2.88	97.12	93.95	77.55	53.77	22.25
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	0.00	100.00	99.98	98.75	88.33	73.18
One Year Ago <i>05-24-2011</i>	7.56	92.44	88.44	82.06	66.16	36.85

(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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