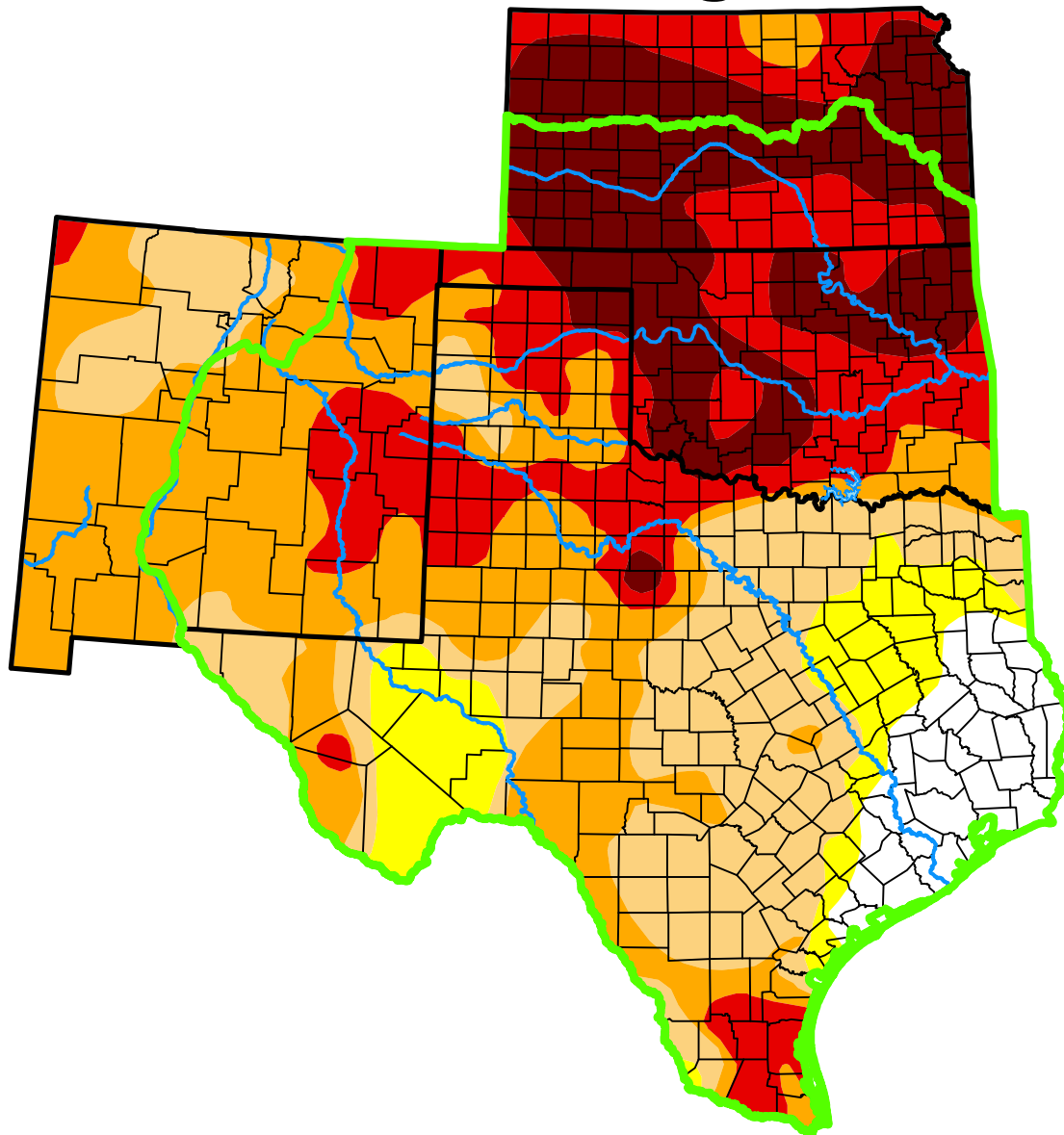


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS

### and Surrounding Areas



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	7.08	92.92	84.10	62.21	36.25	15.26
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-14-2012</i>	6.68	93.32	87.18	65.66	38.91	13.55
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-22-2012</i>	12.72	87.28	53.76	34.61	15.32	0.69
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	2.88	97.12	93.95	77.55	53.77	22.25
<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>08-23-2011</i>	0.00	100.00	99.84	98.04	87.81	69.21

(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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