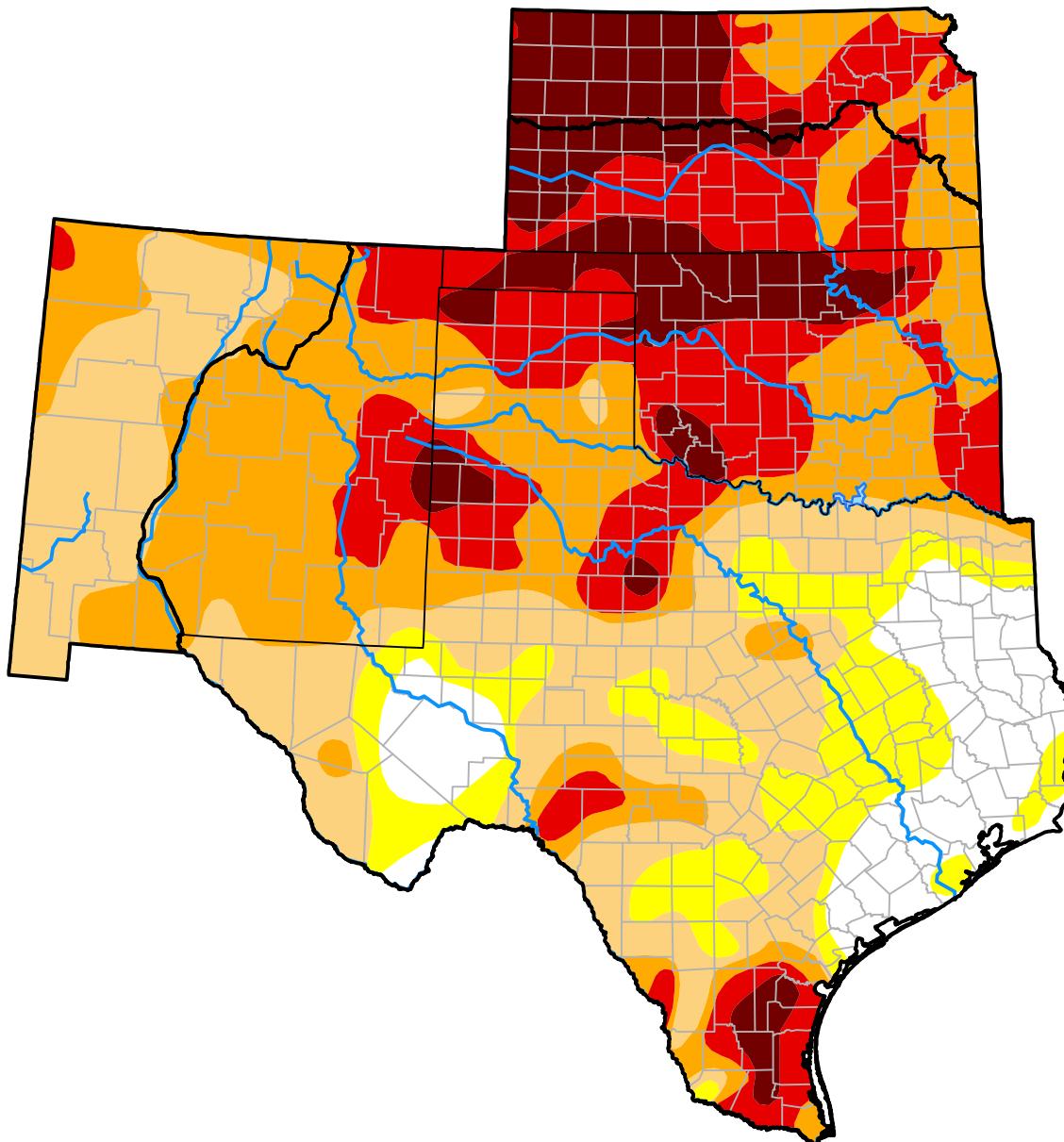


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	9.91	90.09	78.11	51.08	22.45	6.19
Last Week 10-11-2012	9.58	90.42	79.86	50.33	24.82	6.73
3 Months Ago 07-19-2012	7.20	92.80	83.01	50.33	14.03	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2012	4.58	95.42	92.19	76.19	49.52	21.41
Start of Water Year 09-27-2012	5.30	94.70	87.65	65.30	32.32	9.63
One Year Ago 10-20-2011	1.66	98.34	97.53	95.43	83.58	58.22

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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