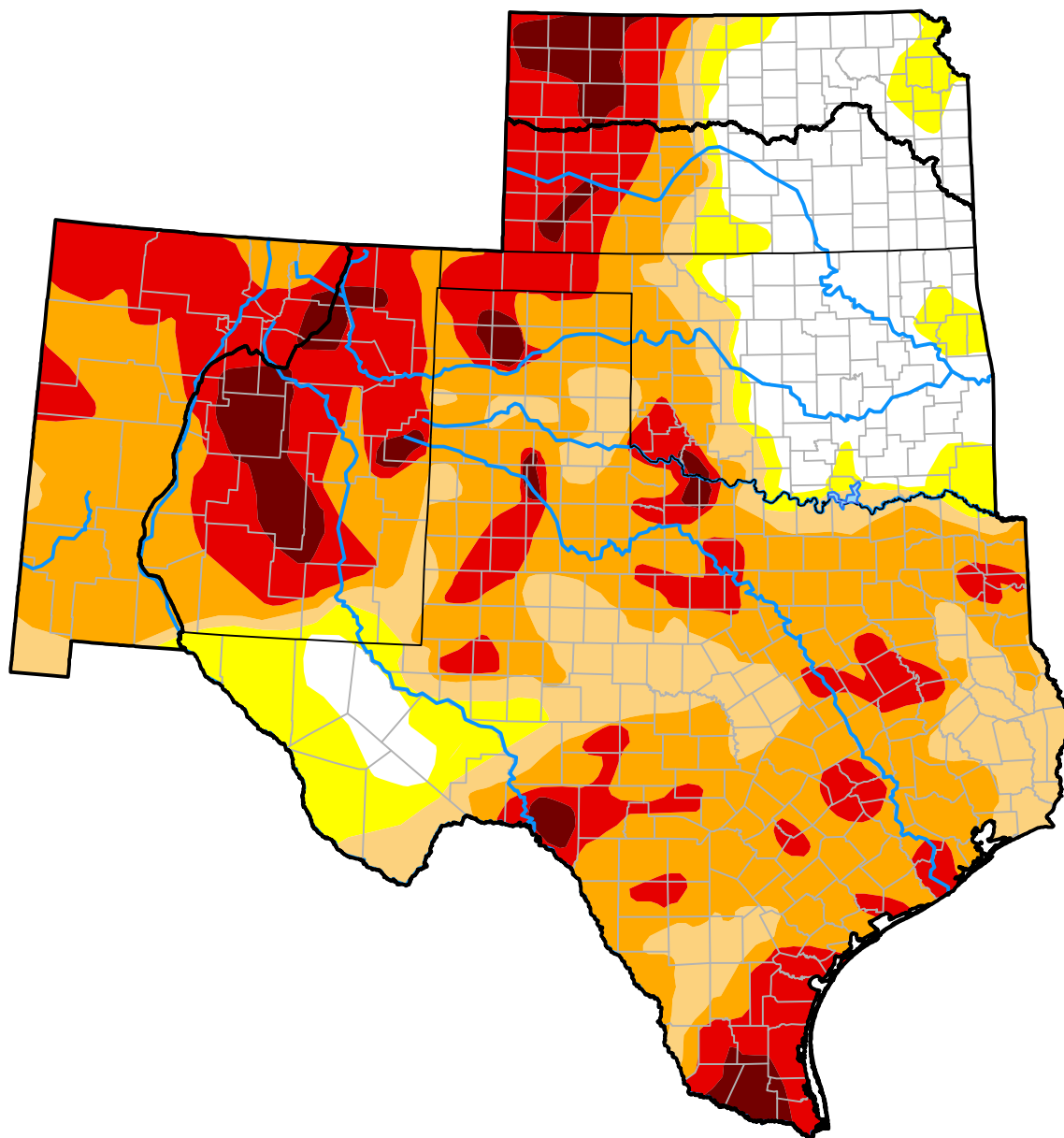


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**August 20, 2013**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 9.92 | 90.08 | 82.68 | 66.69 | 24.87 | 4.23  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-15-2013</i>              | 9.23 | 90.77 | 82.12 | 66.61 | 31.61 | 7.53  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-23-2013</i>           | 5.51 | 94.49 | 88.14 | 72.89 | 46.41 | 24.03 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2013</i> | 1.76 | 98.24 | 92.14 | 78.32 | 43.36 | 12.88 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2012</i>    | 5.30 | 94.70 | 87.65 | 65.30 | 32.32 | 9.63  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-23-2012</i>           | 6.82 | 93.18 | 84.68 | 59.74 | 25.97 | 8.05  |

### 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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