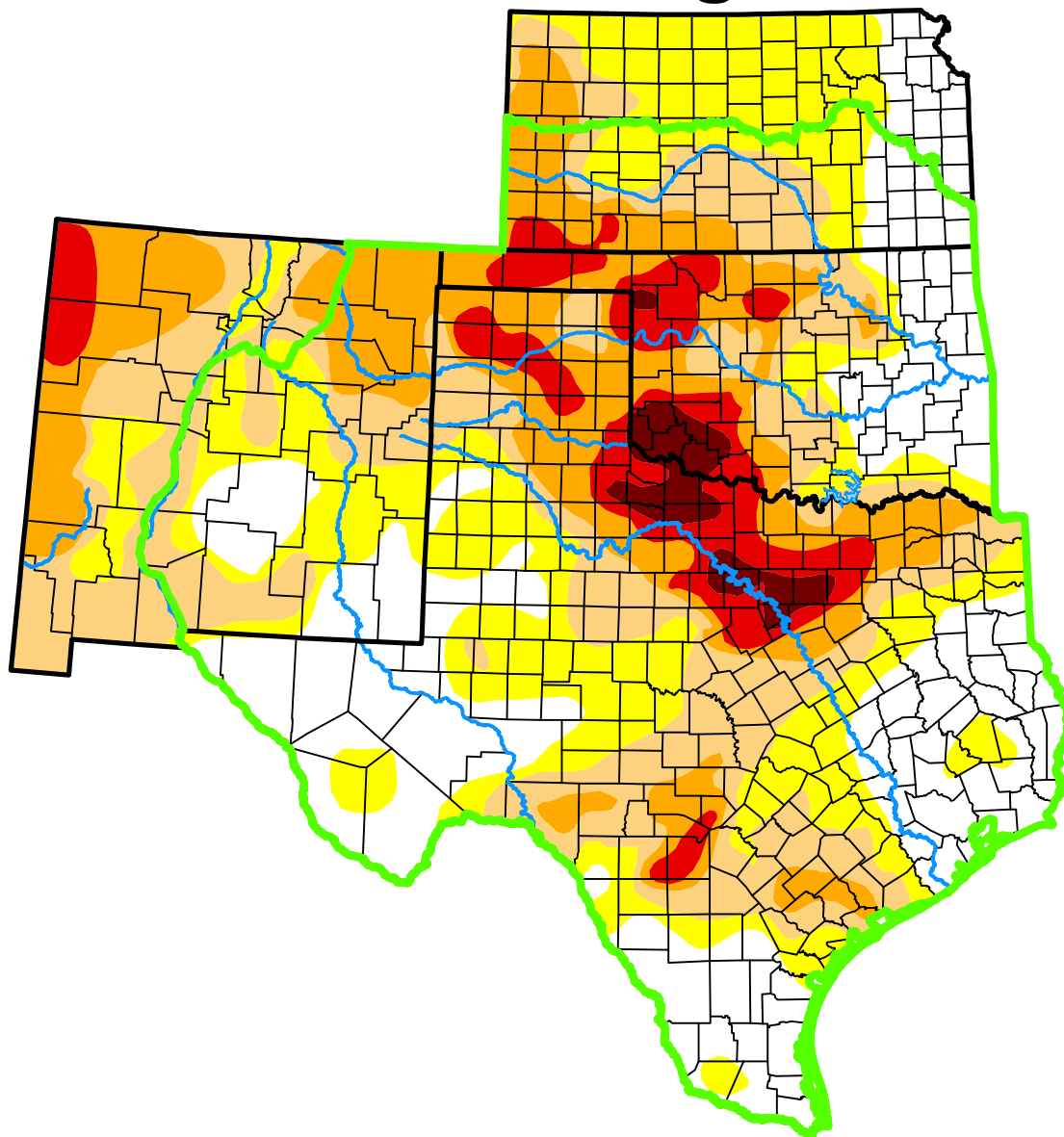


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



December 16, 2014

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	29.36	22.48	22.37	15.88	7.46	2.46
Last Week <i>12-09-2014</i>	29.06	23.05	22.14	15.83	7.46	2.46
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2014</i>	14.91	25.20	26.32	23.46	8.68	1.44
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2013</i>	26.17	24.85	22.98	20.70	4.44	0.86
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	23.56	22.06	22.47	21.36	8.19	2.36
One Year Ago <i>12-17-2013</i>	23.47	24.48	25.47	20.78	4.72	1.09

(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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