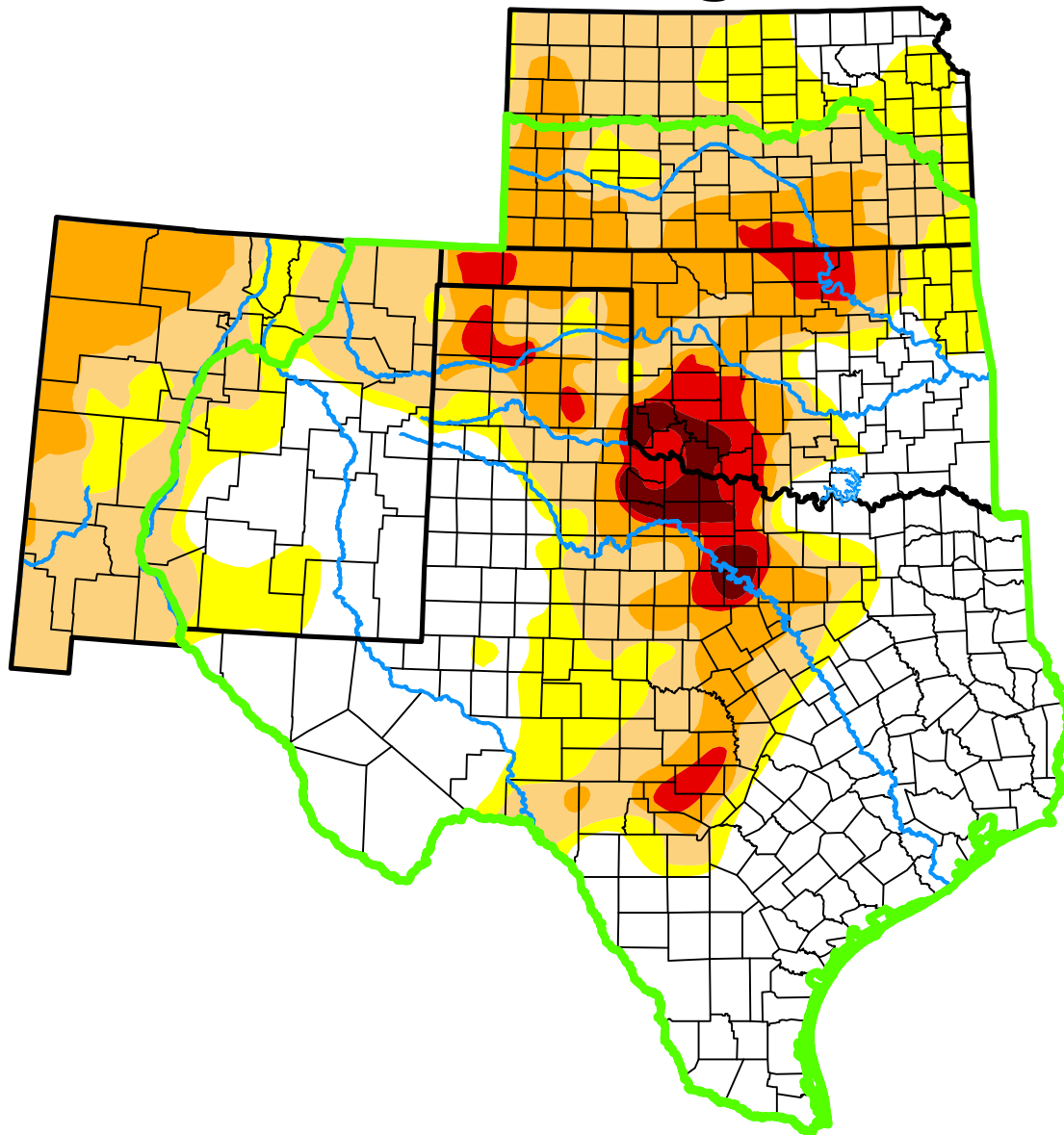


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	47.74	52.26	39.85	20.72	6.43	1.76
Last Week <i>04-28-2015</i>	47.35	52.65	40.68	21.87	7.81	1.87
3 Months Ago <i>02-03-2015</i>	30.92	69.08	45.07	26.21	10.71	2.60
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2014</i>	29.70	70.30	48.79	27.20	10.92	2.82
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	23.56	76.44	54.38	31.91	10.55	2.36
One Year Ago <i>05-06-2014</i>	4.16	95.84	86.31	70.64	49.13	18.99

(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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