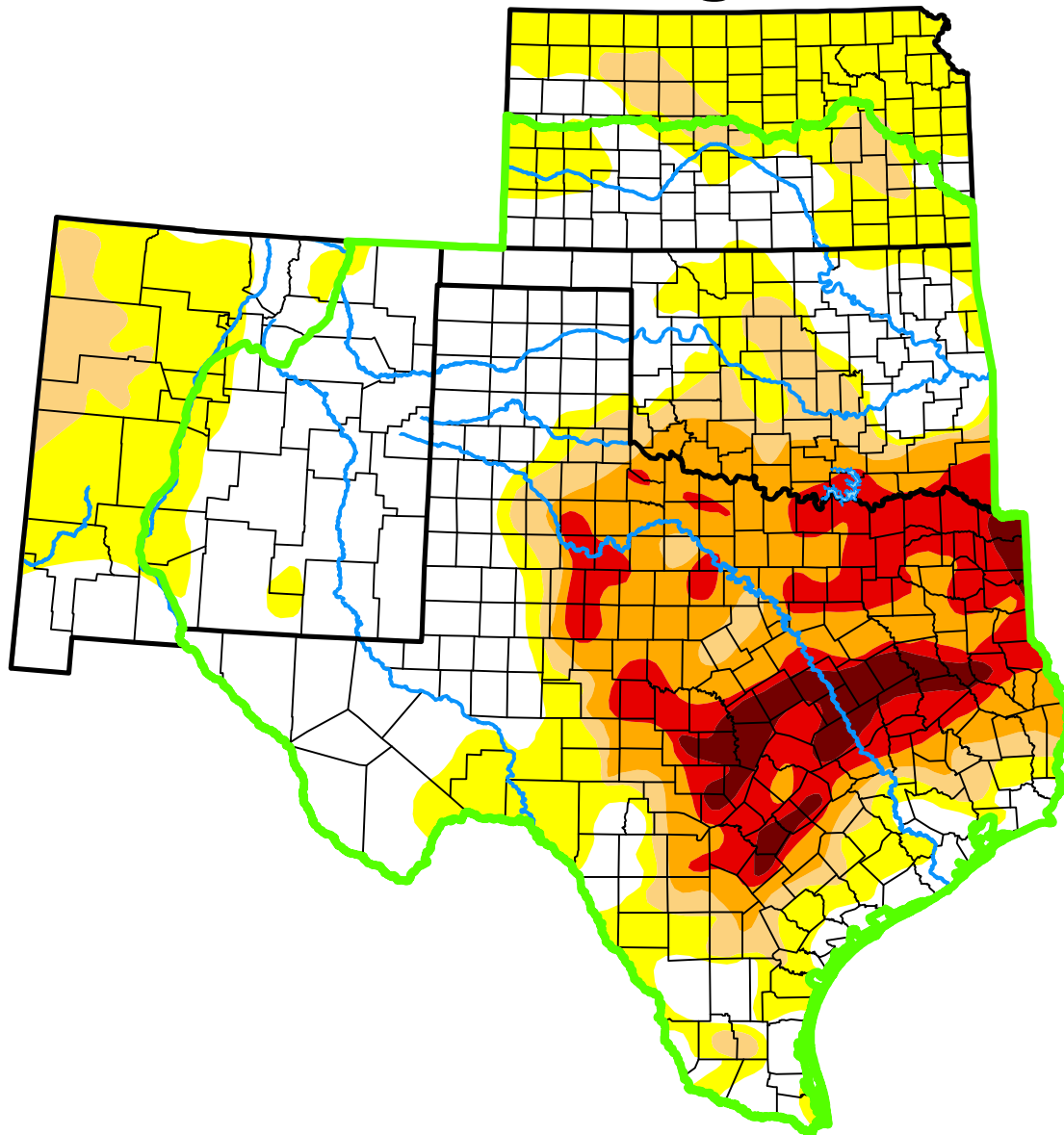


U.S. Drought Monitor

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	45.02	54.98	36.95	28.16	13.62	3.33
Last Week <i>10-13-2015</i>	47.79	52.21	32.90	22.10	8.91	0.85
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2015</i>	94.57	5.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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>09-29-2015</i>	50.14	49.86	25.82	11.59	3.93	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2014</i>	27.79	72.21	51.42	30.25	10.68	2.50

(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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