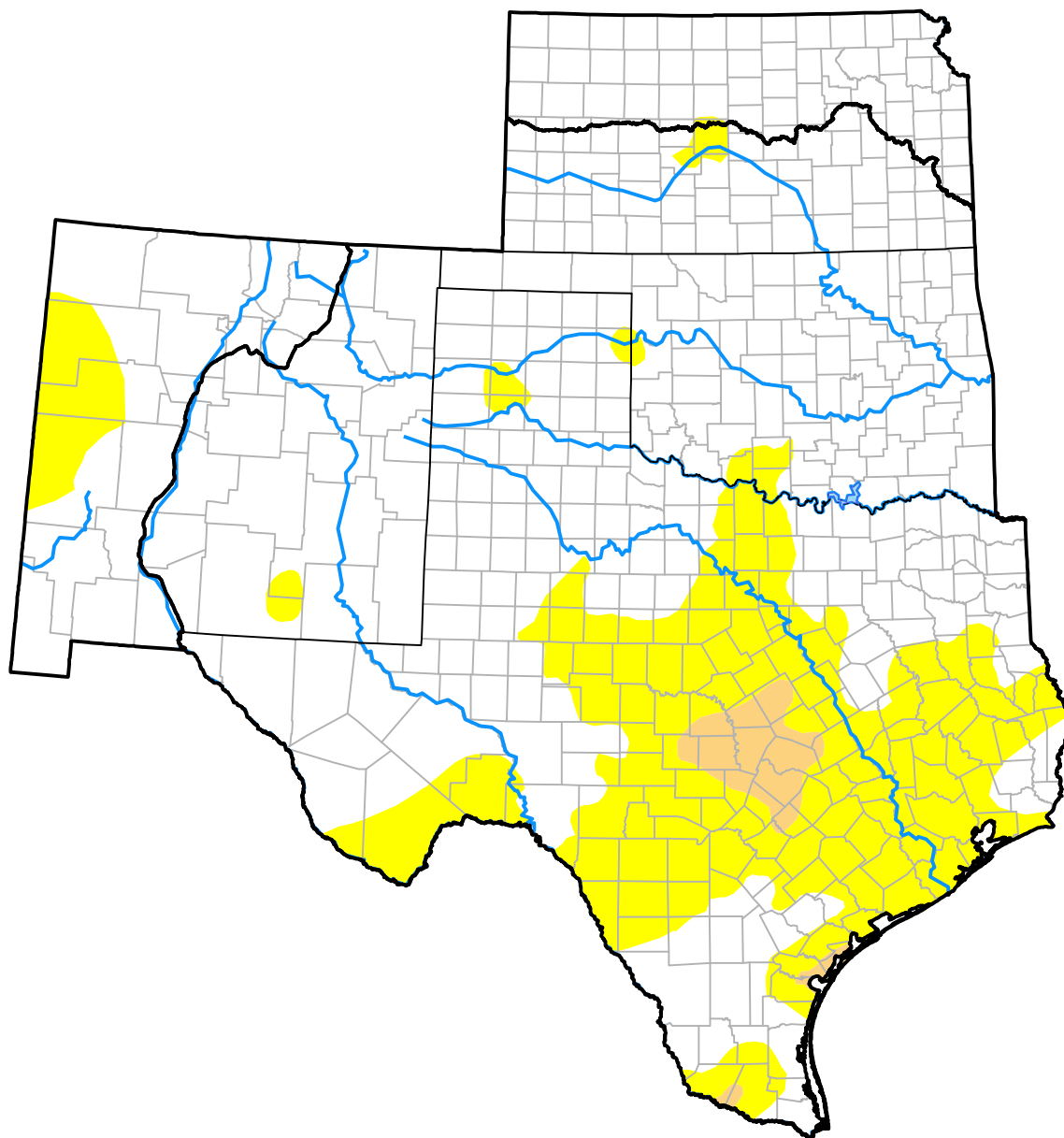


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains RDEWS

**February 16, 2016**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 71.04 | 26.89 | 2.08  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-11-2016</i>              | 90.57 | 9.43  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-19-2015</i>           | 81.62 | 15.12 | 3.27  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2015</i> | 90.39 | 9.61  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2015</i>    | 43.19 | 29.88 | 15.77 | 7.38  | 3.79 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-19-2015</i>           | 26.68 | 20.17 | 23.12 | 17.47 | 9.09 | 3.47 |

### 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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