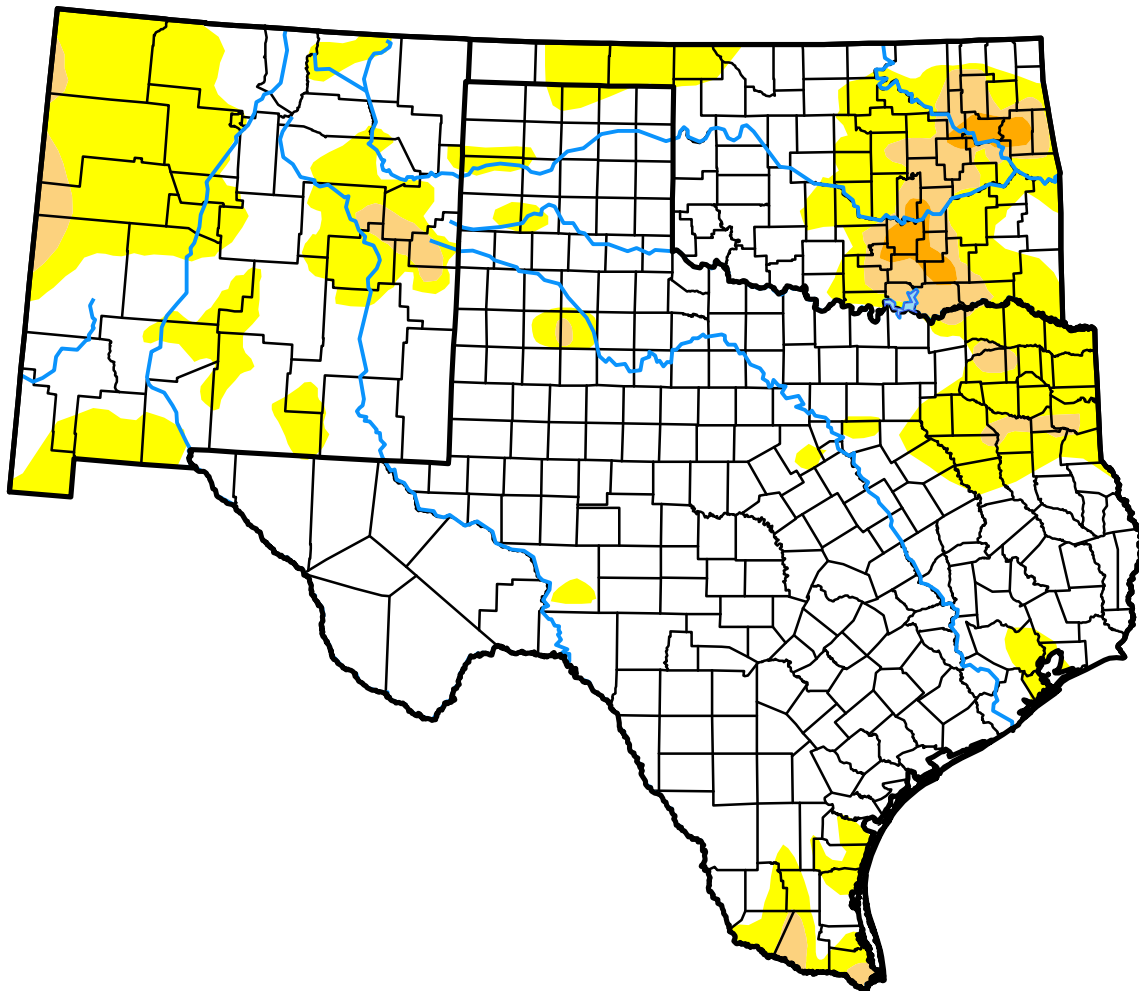


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains Area

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	72.92	27.08	4.93	0.79	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>09-27-2016</i>	78.11	21.89	4.30	0.47	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-05-2016</i>	74.79	25.21	4.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2015</i>	90.39	9.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2016</i>	78.11	21.89	4.30	0.47	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-06-2015</i>	40.12	59.88	33.73	15.70	6.13	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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