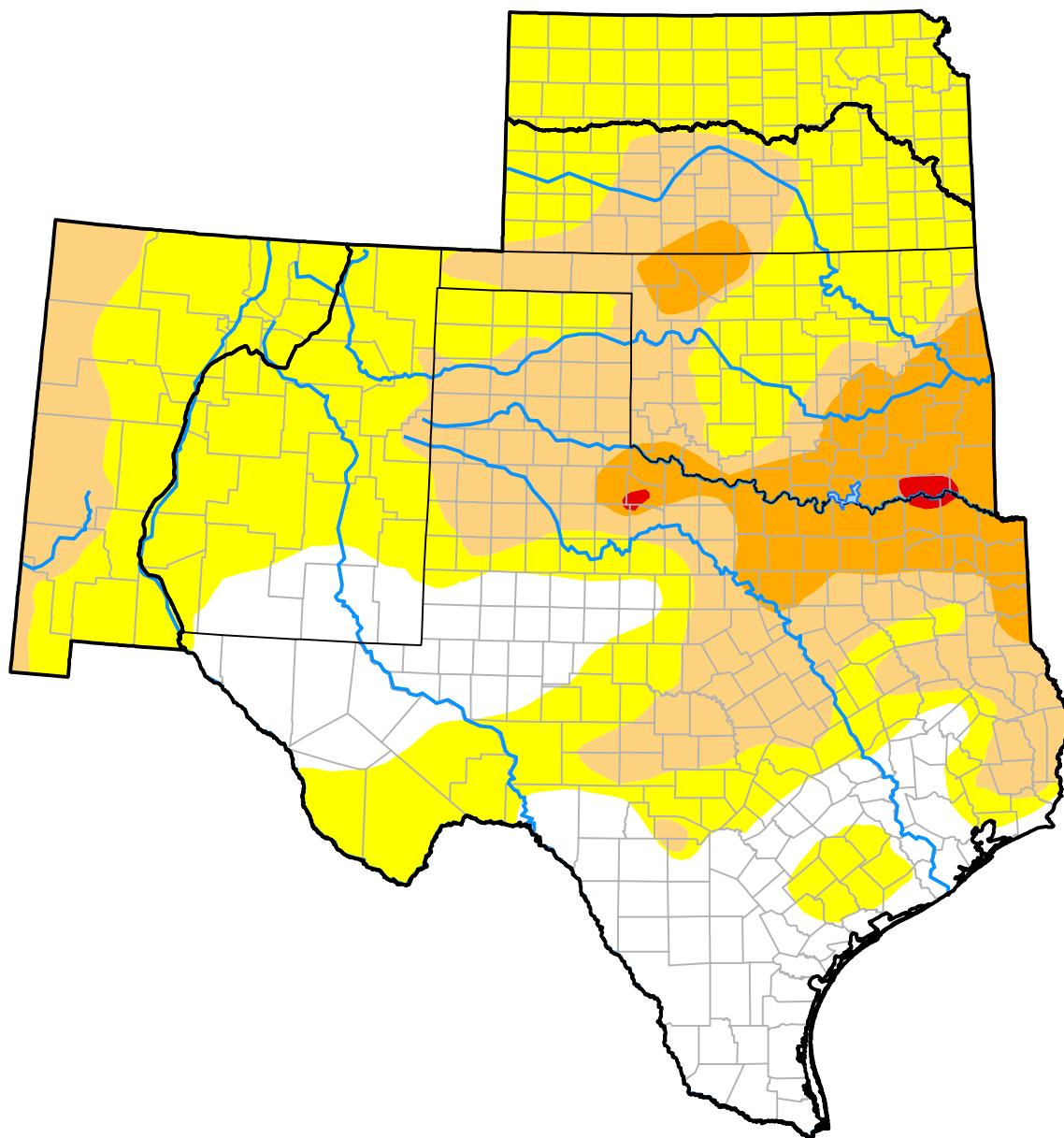


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	23.76	76.24	36.11	10.84	0.33	0.00
Last Week <i>12-14-2017</i>	19.37	80.63	27.93	11.15	0.92	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2017</i>	83.56	16.44	2.21	0.21	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2017</i>	65.81	34.19	17.53	9.68	0.87	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2017</i>	73.50	26.50	2.54	0.02	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-22-2016</i>	60.25	39.75	16.84	7.63	0.50	0.00

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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