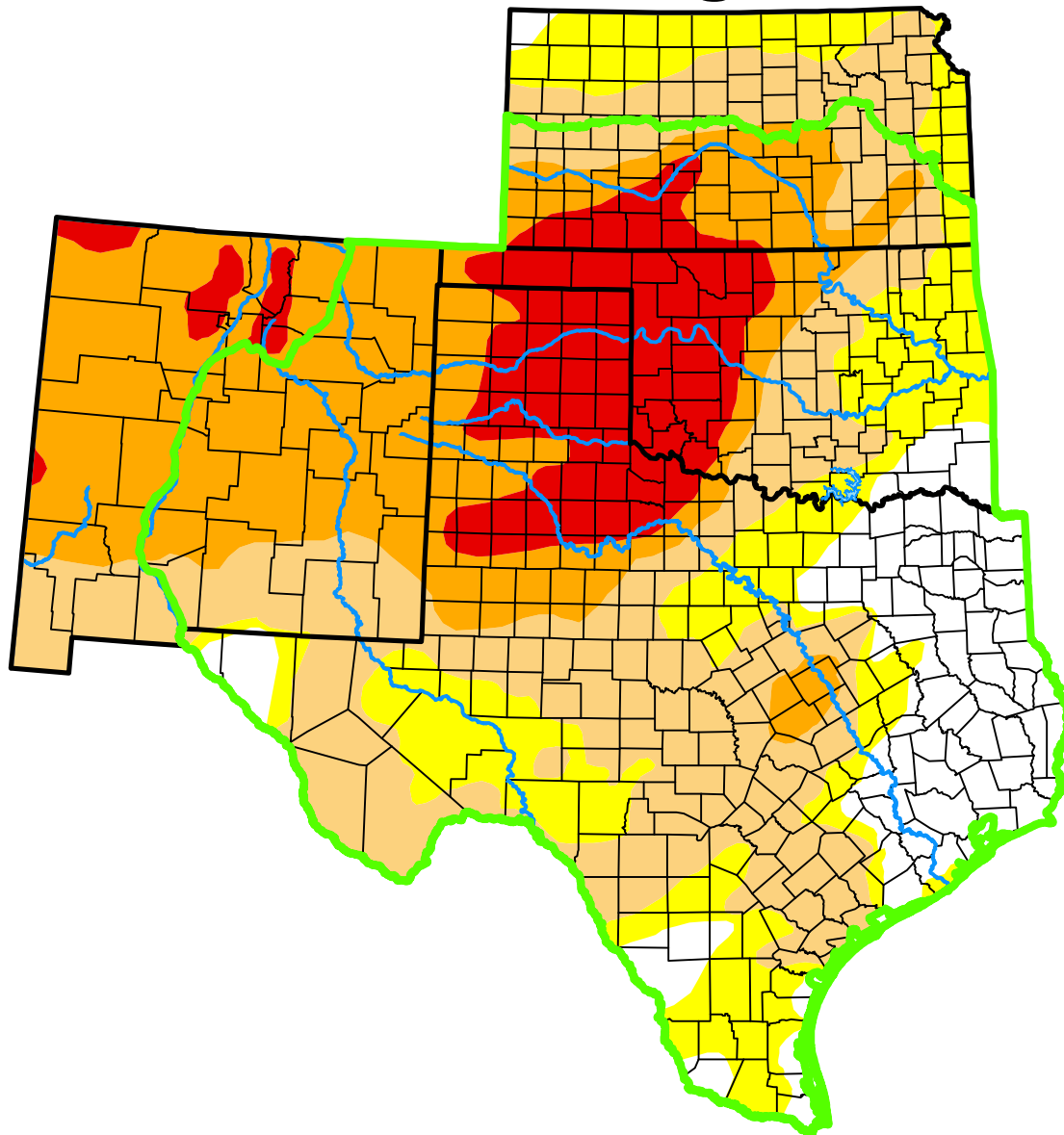


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**February 27, 2018**

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 14.95 | 85.05 | 67.22 | 37.23 | 13.91 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-20-2018</i>              | 7.19  | 92.81 | 82.22 | 54.06 | 14.48 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-28-2017</i>           | 38.27 | 61.73 | 30.35 | 6.62  | 0.12  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2018</i> | 22.04 | 77.96 | 39.92 | 11.37 | 0.07  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2017</i>    | 72.38 | 27.62 | 3.52  | 0.15  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-28-2017</i>           | 59.97 | 40.03 | 18.55 | 6.43  | 0.03  | 0.00 |

(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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