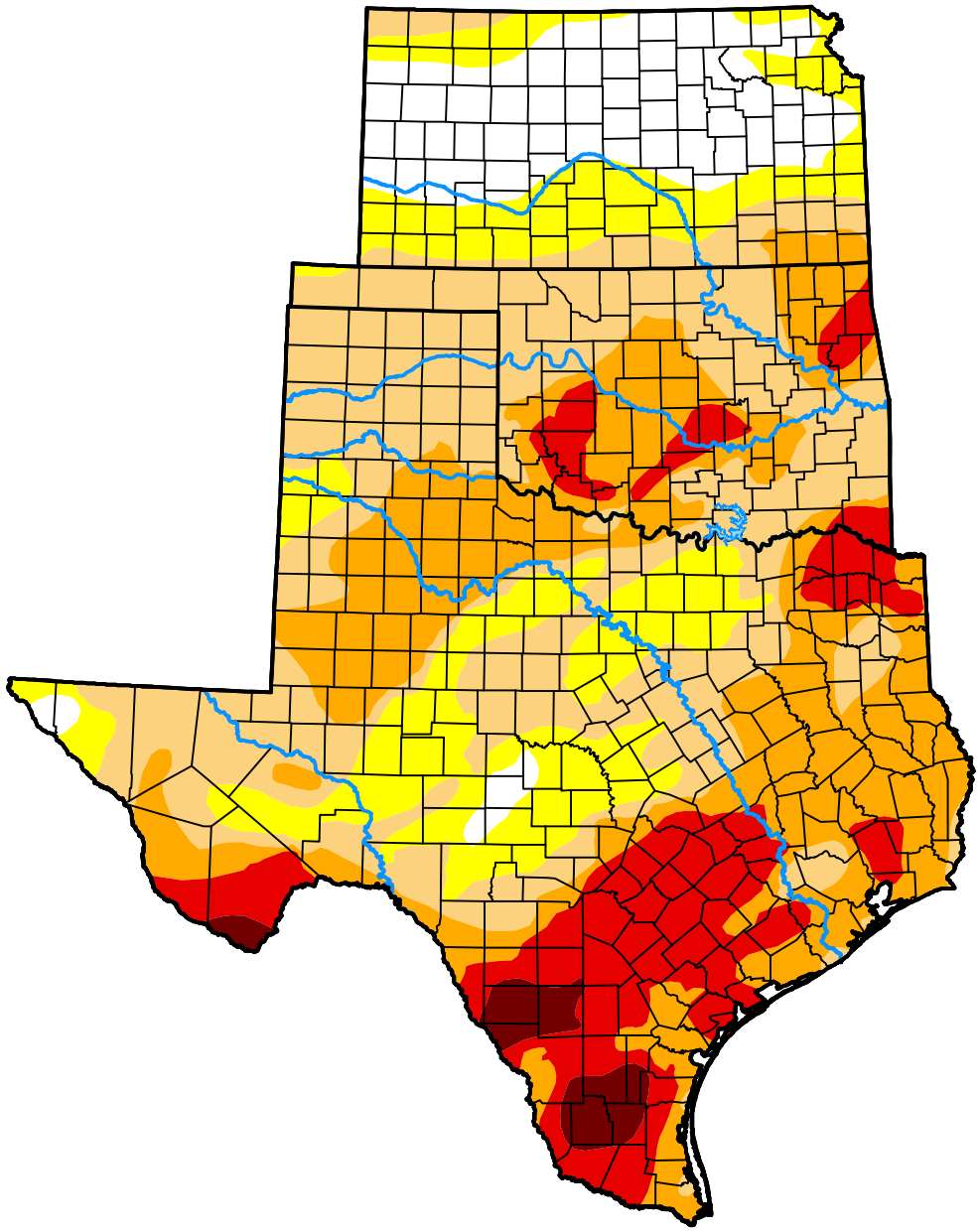
U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	11.07	88.93	71.92	40.01	14.69	1.95
Last Week *02-24-2026*	13.28	86.72	67.88	33.05	14.01	0.92
3 Months Ago *12-02-2025*	37.23	62.77	34.86	15.33	3.38	0.23
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	24.07	75.93	51.29	20.89	7.08	0.23
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	50.45	49.55	16.86	8.26	2.12	0.18
One Year Ago *03-04-2025*	20.37	79.63	43.45	18.39	11.02	4.88

Intensity:

- None
- 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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