

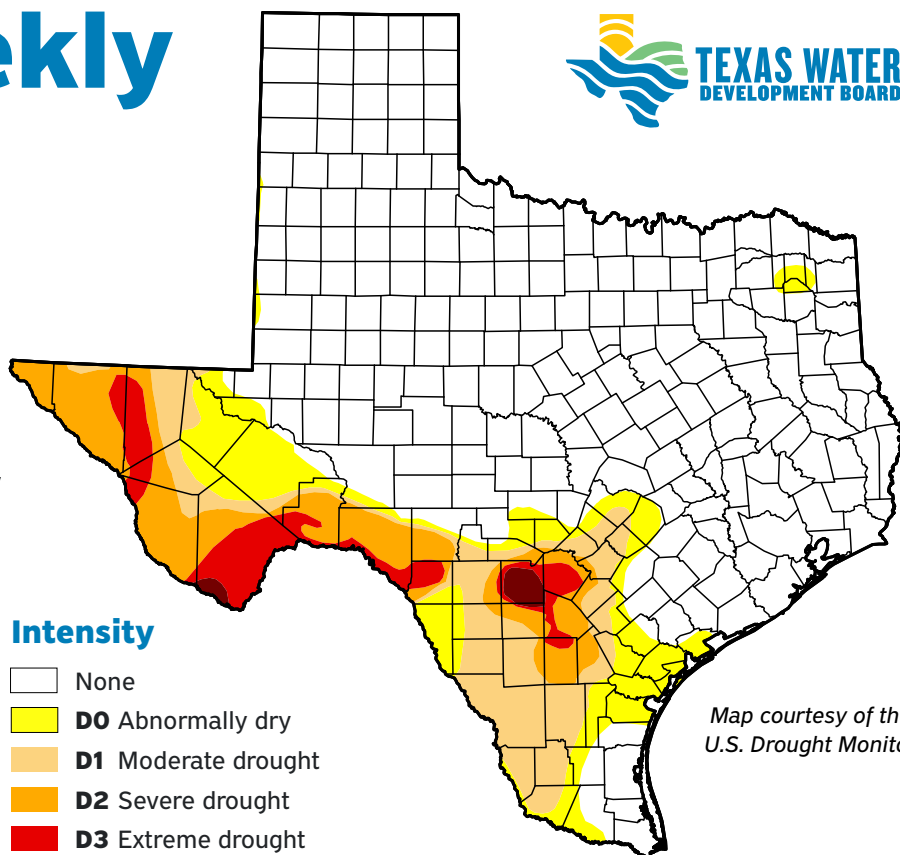
# Water Weekly

For the week of 08/18/25



## Water conditions

In the last week, drought area remained unchanged in most of the state but expanded in South Texas. As a result, the latest map for conditions as of August 12 shows a small increase in area of the state impacted by drought, the first weekly increase since March.



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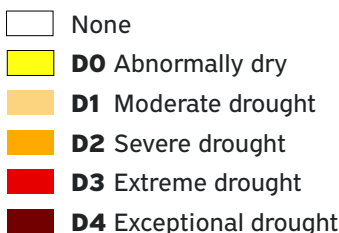
**20%** Now

**19%** A week ago

**41%** Three months ago

**30%** A year ago

### Intensity



## 2021-2025 Drought

The current drought began in fall 2021 and covered 97 percent of the state at its peak in 2022. In 2023 and 2024, drought area peaked at 86 percent and 74 percent, respectively. In 2025, drought reached a peak of 70 percent in March.

Texas percent area in U.S. Drought Monitor categories

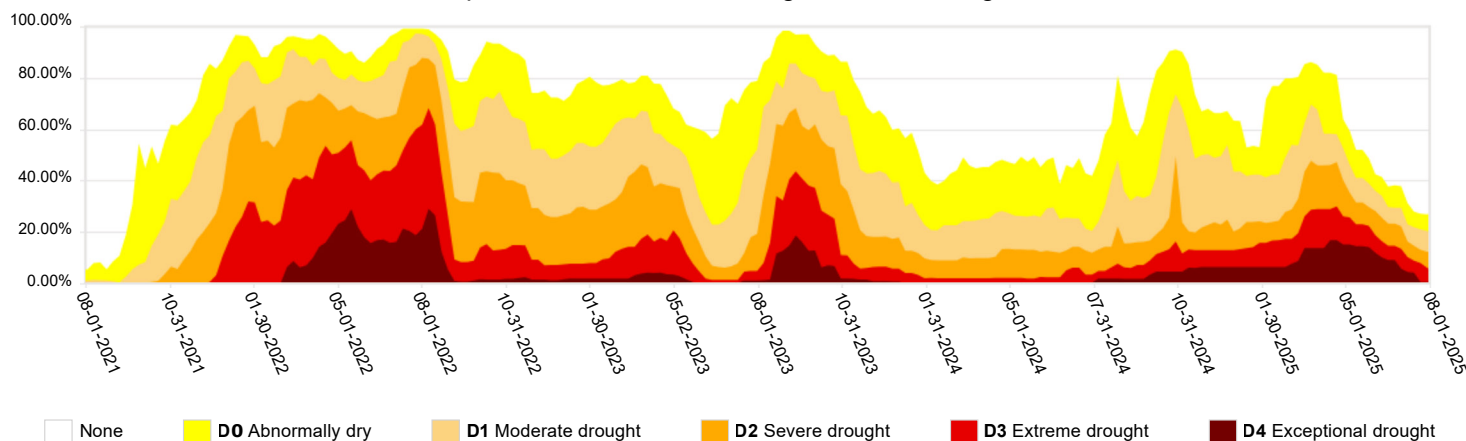


Chart courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

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