

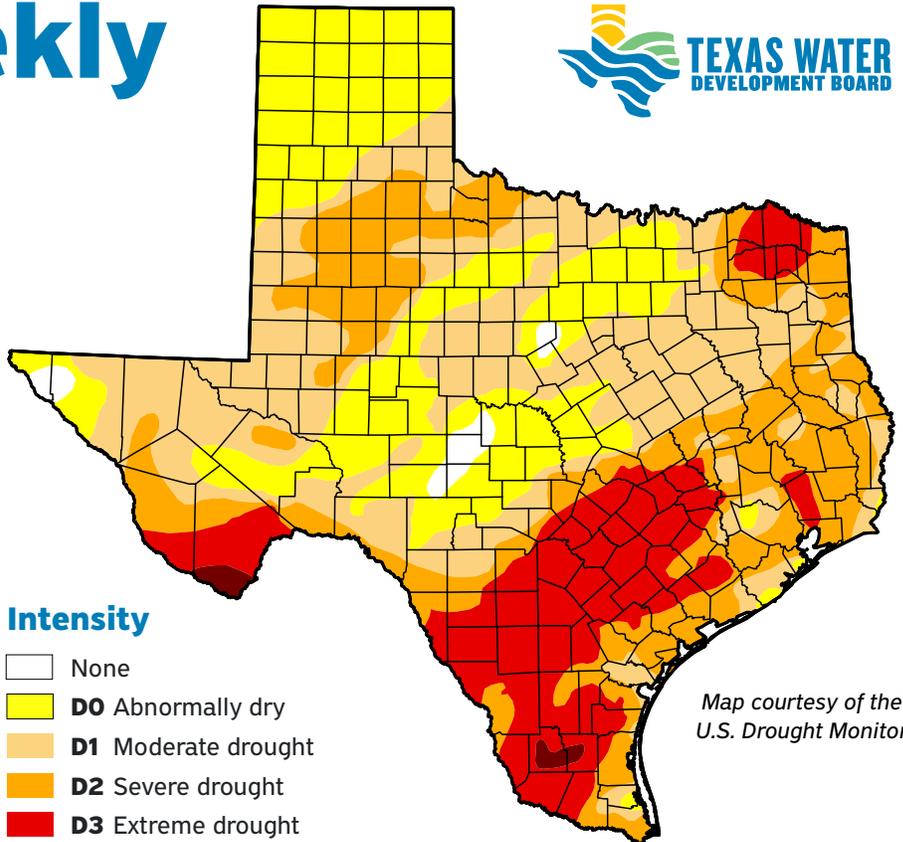
Water Weekly

For the week of 02/23/26



Water conditions

The latest map for conditions as of February 17 shows little change from the previous week, with total area of the state impacted by drought up about a tenth of a percentage point. A quarter of the state is abnormally dry and could slip into drought in coming weeks.



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

Drought conditions

74% now

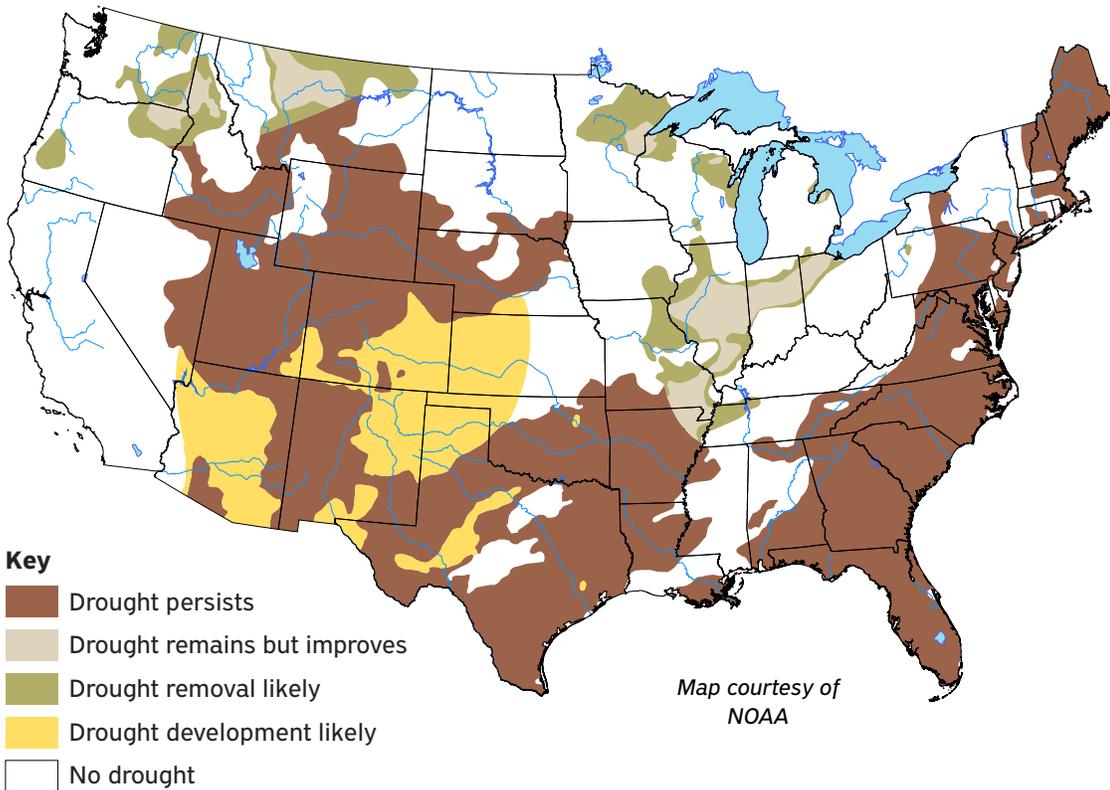
74% a week ago

65% three months ago

43% a year ago

Intensity

- None
- D0** Abnormally dry
- D1** Moderate drought
- D2** Severe drought
- D3** Extreme drought
- D4** Exceptional drought



- Key**
- Drought persists
 - Drought remains but improves
 - Drought removal likely
 - Drought development likely
 - No drought

Map courtesy of NOAA

U.S. seasonal drought outlook

The latest seasonal drought outlook for conditions through the end of May has bad news, worse news, and finally, some good news. Drought is expected to persist in areas currently in drought, expand across West Texas and the Panhandle, and leave some areas of Central and north central Texas drought free.

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