

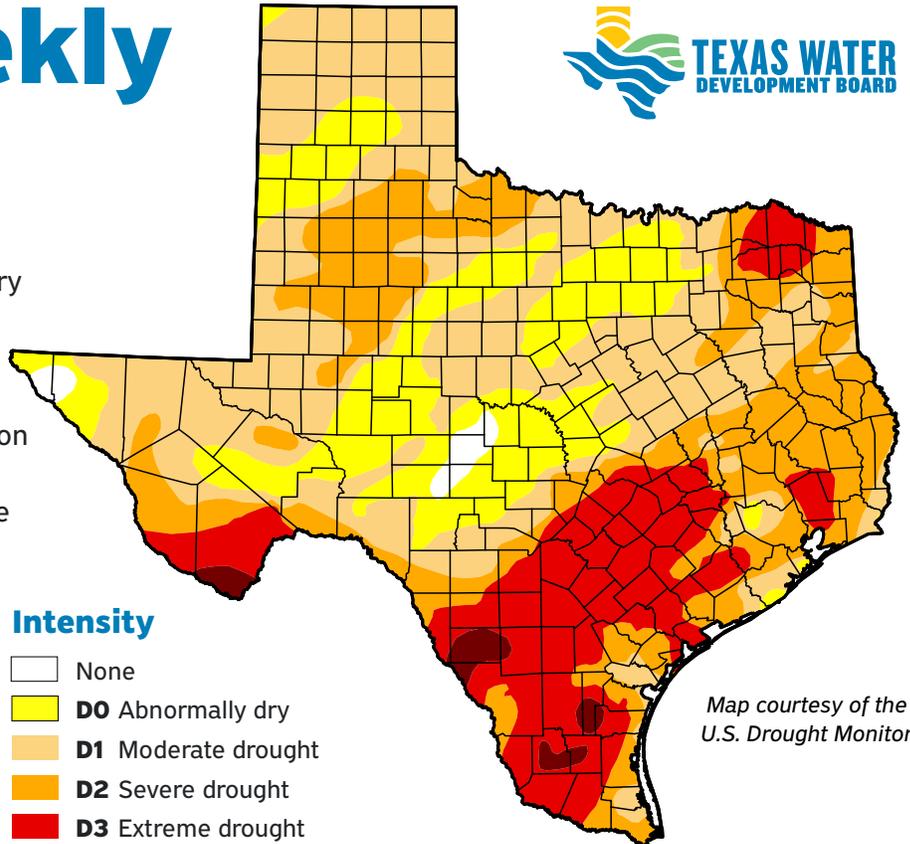
# Water Weekly

For the week of 03/02/26



## Water conditions

The latest map for conditions as of February 24 shows a large expansion of drought from the previous week. It was the fourth consecutive week that drought expanded and the largest one-week drought expansion since November 2025. Drought returned to the northern Panhandle for the first time since May 2025.



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

## Drought conditions

**80%** now

**74%** a week ago

**54%** three months ago

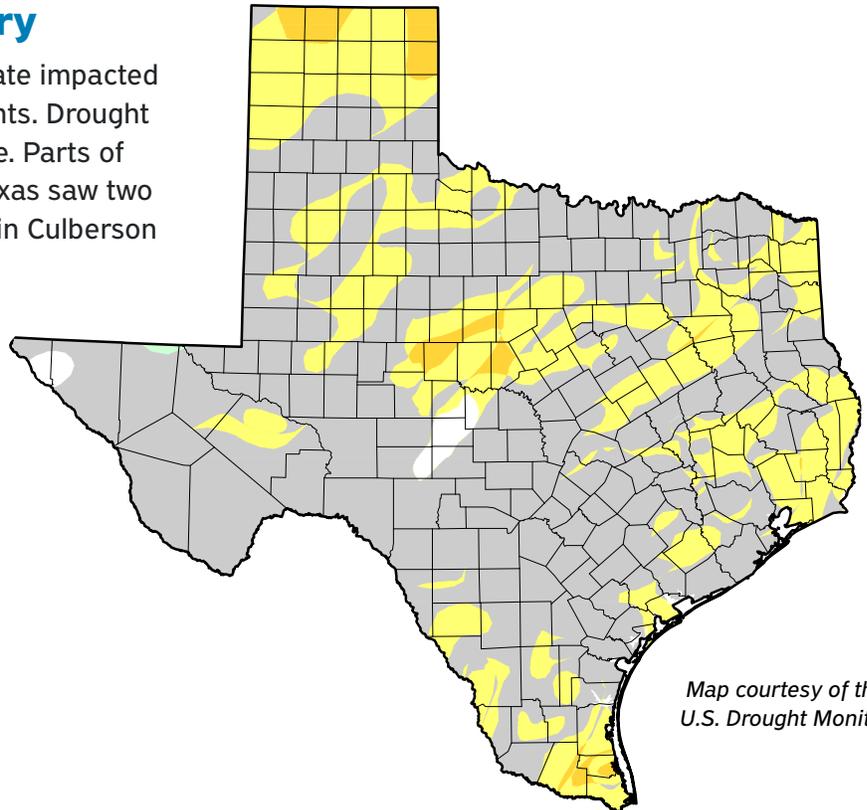
**49%** a year ago

## Intensity

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

## Drought change in February

In the last four weeks, the area of the state impacted by drought increased 13 percentage points. Drought expanded across many areas of the state. Parts of the Panhandle and Central and South Texas saw two categories of degradation. A small area in Culberson County in West Texas improved.



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## Key

- 5 Class Degradation
- 4 Class Degradation
- 3 Class Degradation
- 2 Class Degradation
- 1 Class Degradation
- No Change
- 1 Class Improvement
- 2 Class Improvement
- 3 Class Improvement
- 4 Class Improvement
- 5 Class Improvement

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