

Water Weekly

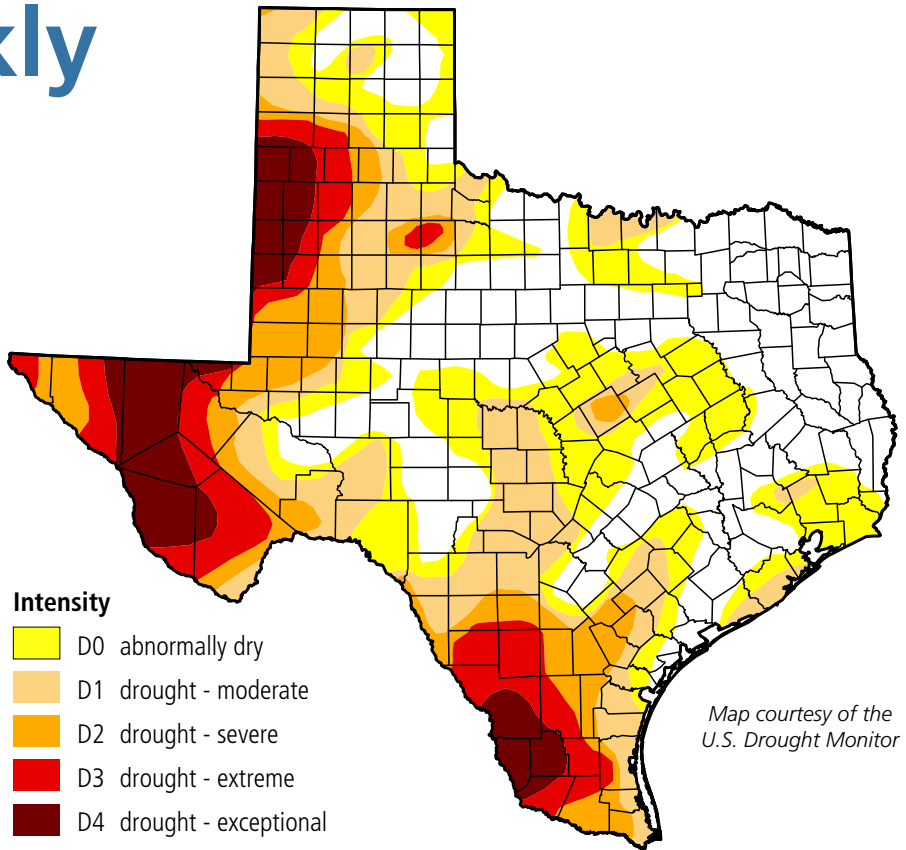
For the week of 05/10/21

Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of May 4 shows a decrease in the area of the state impacted by drought for the third consecutive week. Beneficial rains since the middle of April are beginning to have a cumulative positive impact on the landscape of our state.

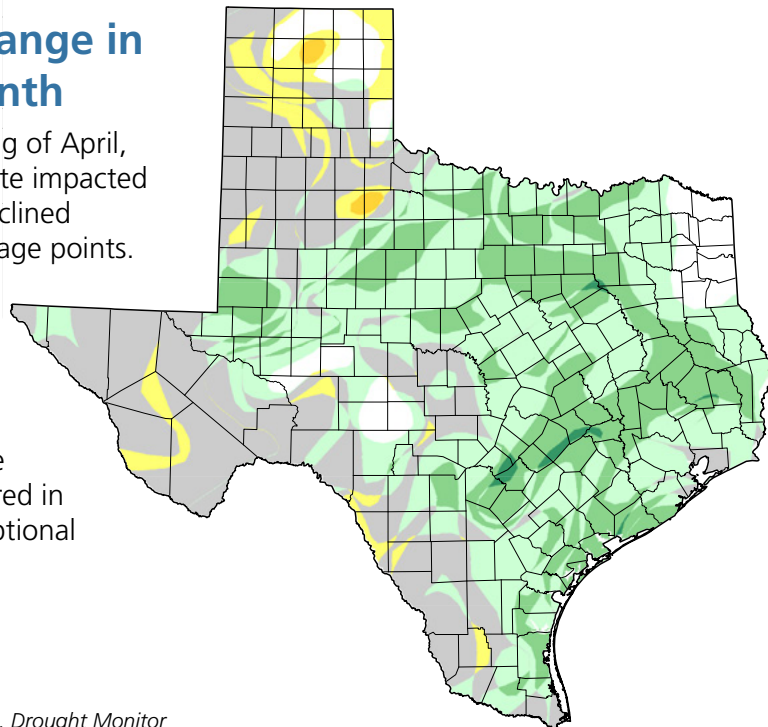
Drought conditions

- ◆ 45% now
- ◆ 65% a week ago
- ◆ 45% three months ago
- ◆ 13% a year ago



Drought change in the last month

Since the beginning of April, the area of the state impacted by drought has declined almost 30 percentage points. Improvements have been widespread, but areas of South Texas, West Texas, and the Panhandle have remained mired in extreme and exceptional drought.



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