

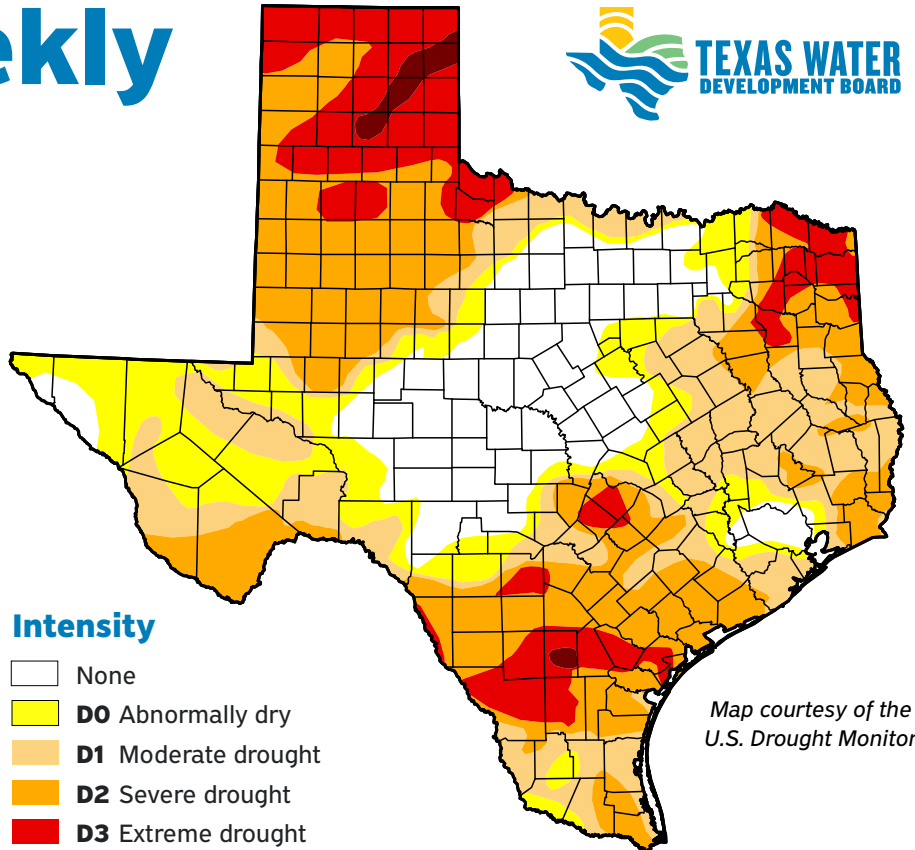
Water Weekly

For the week of 05/18/26



Water conditions

The latest map for conditions as of May 12 shows the sixth consecutive weekly decrease in drought area across the state, the longest stretch of consecutive weekly decreases since October 2023. Drought area in the state has dropped to its lowest value in four months.



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

Drought conditions

65% now

69% a week ago

74% three months ago

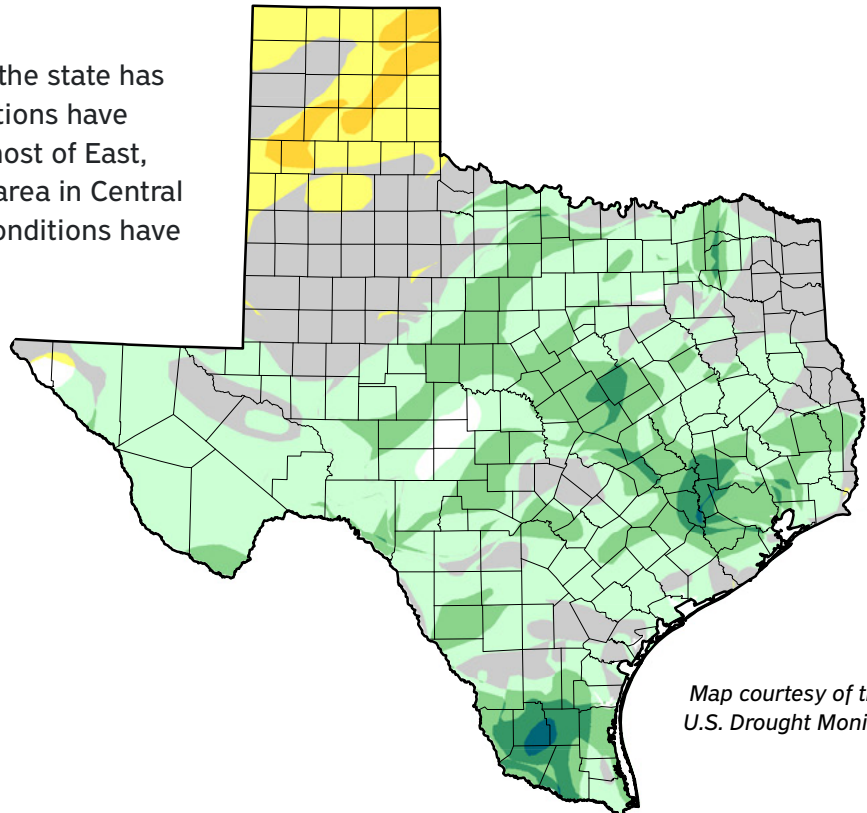
41% a year ago

Intensity

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

Six-week drought change

Since the end of March, drought area in the state has contracted 24 percentage points. Conditions have improved at least one category across most of East, Central, South, and West Texas. A large area in Central Texas is now drought free. Meanwhile, conditions have degraded across the Panhandle.



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

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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