Water Weekly

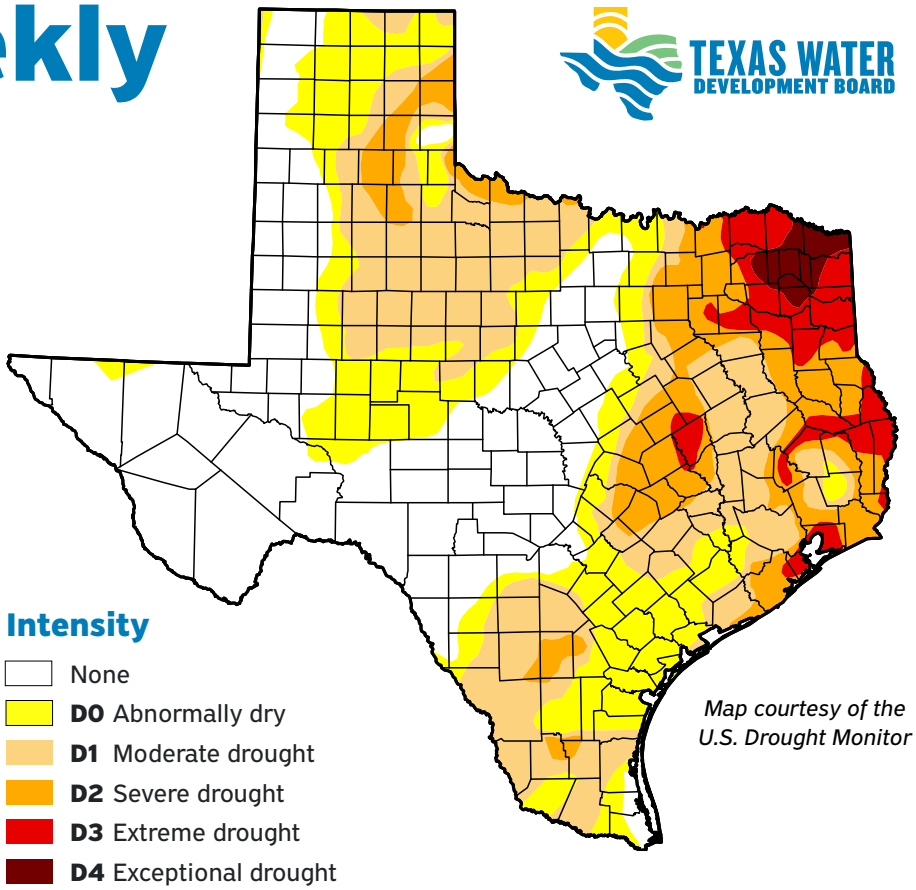
For the week of **11/23/26**

Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of November 17 shows the seventh consecutive week of drought contraction. Since September 29, when 92 percent of the state was in drought, conditions have improved in West and Central Texas but degraded in East Texas. Expect less improvement on next week's map.

Drought conditions

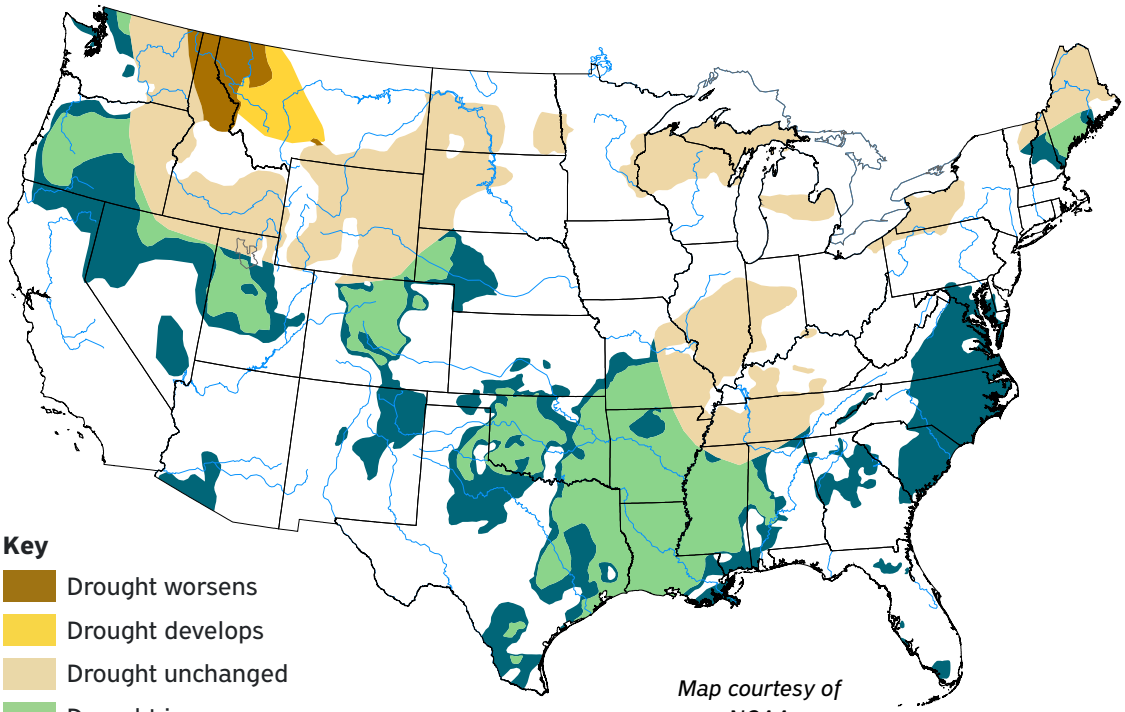
43% now
54% a week ago
36% three months ago
65% a year ago



Intensity

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

Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor



Key

- Drought worsens
- Drought develops
- Drought unchanged
- Drought improves
- Drought removed
- No drought

Map courtesy of NOAA

U.S. seasonal drought outlook

Through the end of February, El Niño conditions—warm sea surface temperatures in the eastern equatorial Pacific—are expected to be the primary influence on the drought outlook across the country. That's good news for Texas, as those conditions typically bring us winters that are cooler and wetter than normal.

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