

Water Weekly

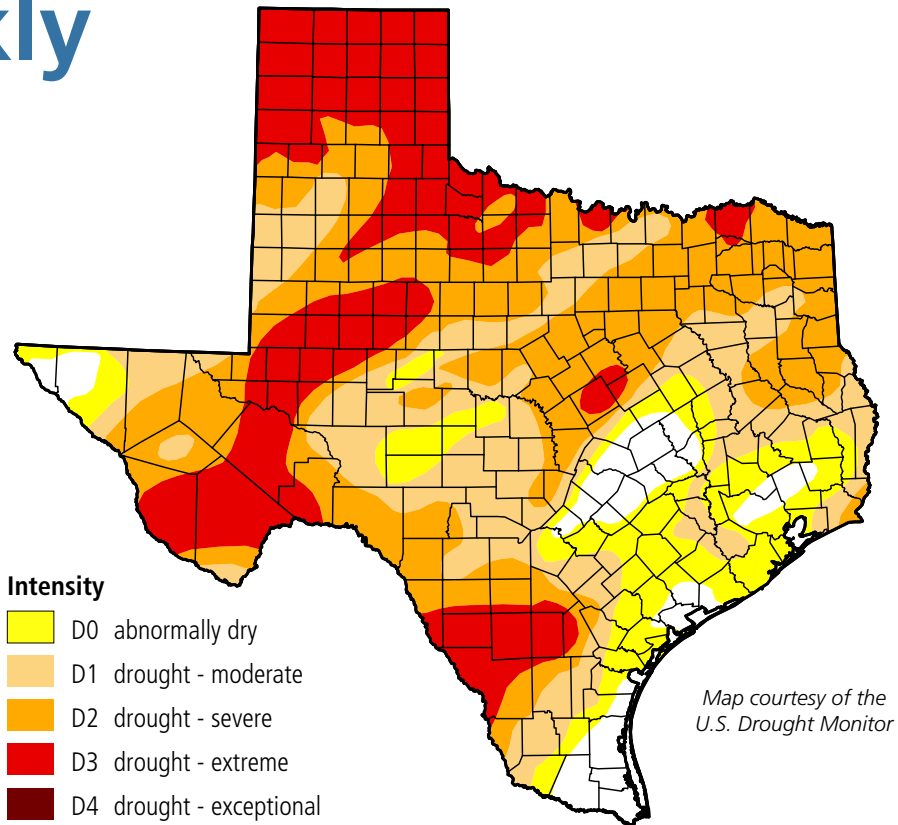
For the week of 03/07/22

Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of March 1 shows that 81 percent of the state is impacted by drought, which is the largest extent of drought this time of year since 2012 when drought levels were at 87 percent. Drought was even more widespread in early March 2006, covering 97 percent of the state.

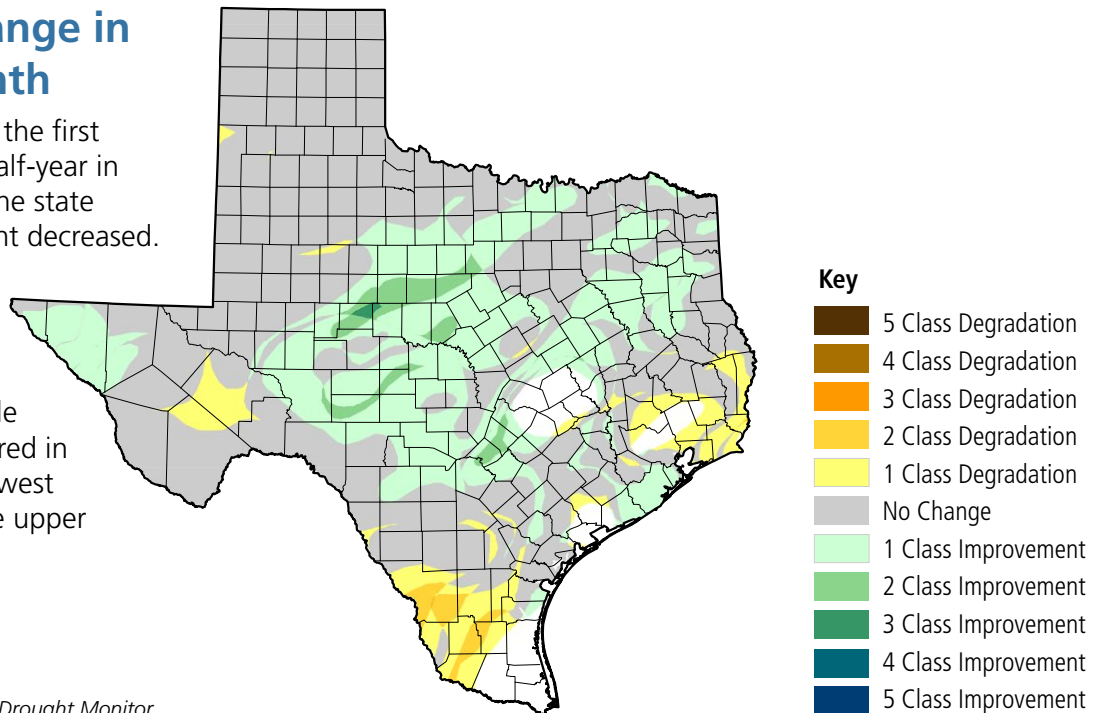
Drought conditions

- ◆ 81% now
- ◆ 79% a week ago
- ◆ 49% three months ago
- ◆ 54% a year ago



Drought change in the last month

February 2022 was the first month in the last half-year in which the area of the state impacted by drought decreased. Areas of central, northeast, and west Texas experienced improvements, while degradations occurred in parts of south and west Texas and along the upper coast.



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