

Water Weekly

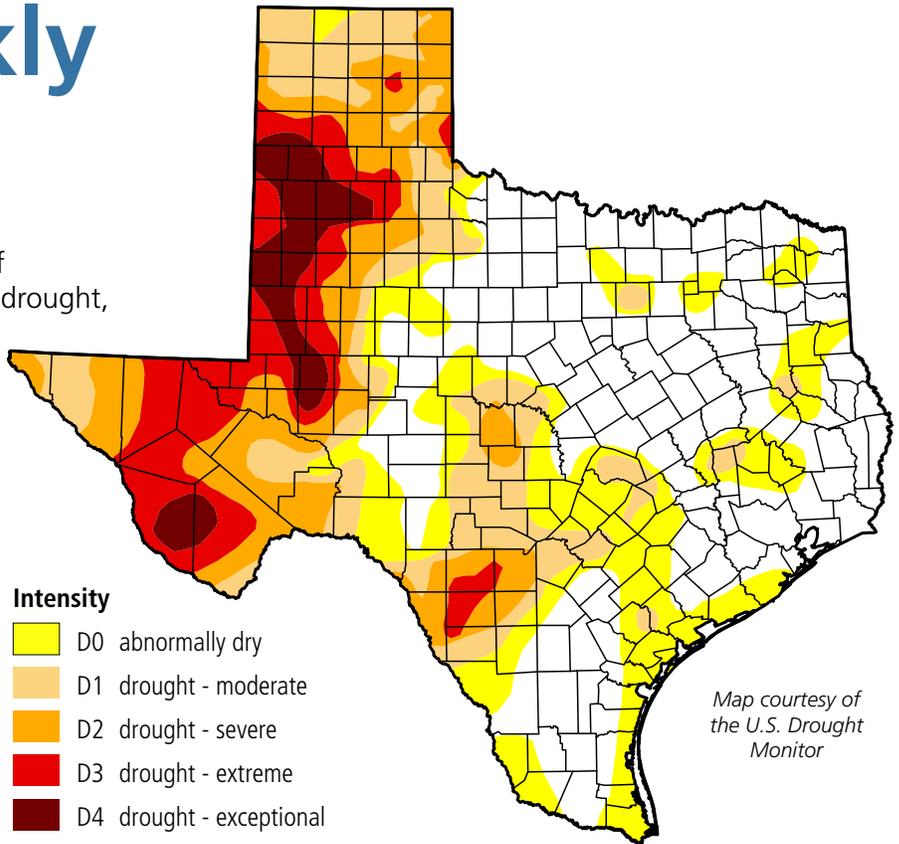
For the week of 11/02/20

Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of October 27 shows continued expansion of drought, and little to no improvement is expected in coming weeks. Exceptional drought is now impacting parts of 23 counties in West Texas, about 5 percent of the area of the state.

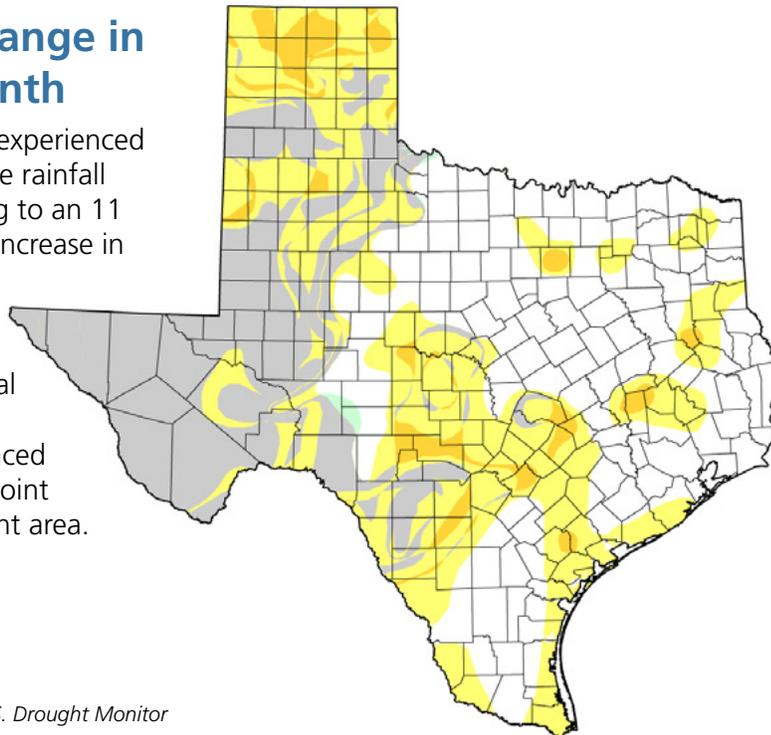
Drought conditions

- ◆ 43% now
- ◆ 40% a week ago
- ◆ 34% three months ago
- ◆ 47% a year ago



Drought change in the last month

Most of the state experienced well below average rainfall in October, leading to an 11 percentage point increase in the area of the state impacted by drought. That was a large reversal from September when we experienced a 23 percentage point decrease in drought area.



Written by Dr. Mark Wentzel — Dr. Mark Wentzel is a hydrologist in the TWDB's Office of Water Science and Conservation.

Bryan McMath, Governmental Relations | bryan.mcmath@twdb.texas.gov | 512-463-7850
Sarah Haney, Media Relations | sarah.haney@twdb.texas.gov | 512-463-5129