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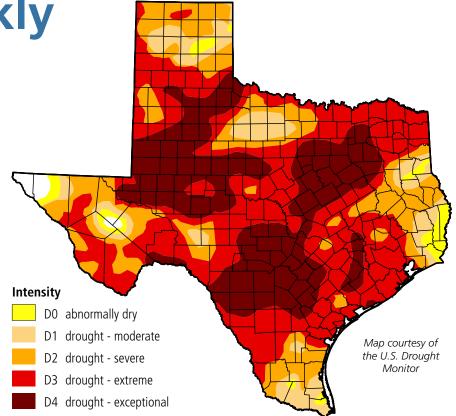
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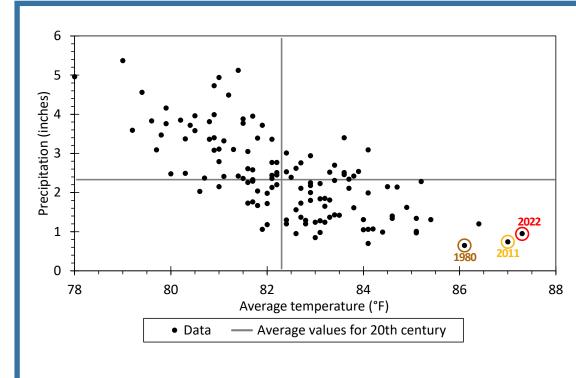
Water conditions

The drought map for August 9 conditions shows improvements in East Texas, West Texas, and the Panhandle but degradation in other areas. Overall, drought contracted one percentage point from last week, but extreme or worse drought was up six percentage points and now covers 68 percent of the state.

Drought conditions

- ♦ 96% now
- ♦ 97% a week ago
- ♦ 80% three months ago
- ♦ 1% a year ago





July temperature and precipitation

July 2022 was the hottest July for Texas in data going back to 1895 and the fifth driest in that same time period. The only other Julys that rank in the top five for hottest and driest are 2011 (second hottest and third driest) and 1980 (driest and fourth hottest).

Data courtesy of NOAA

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