Water Weekly

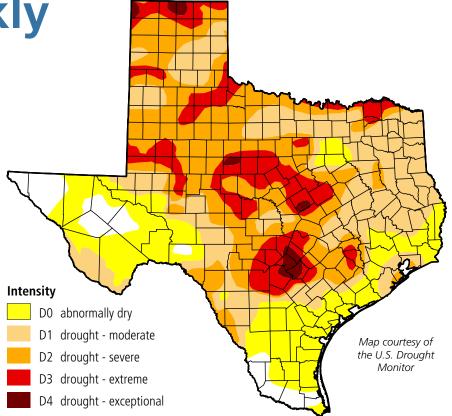
For the week of 10/17/22

Water conditions

This week's drought map, for conditions as of October 11, shows additional expansion and intensification of drought. Precipitation for the first half of October has been one to two inches below average across most of the eastern half of the state. Rains since October 11 may help next week's map.

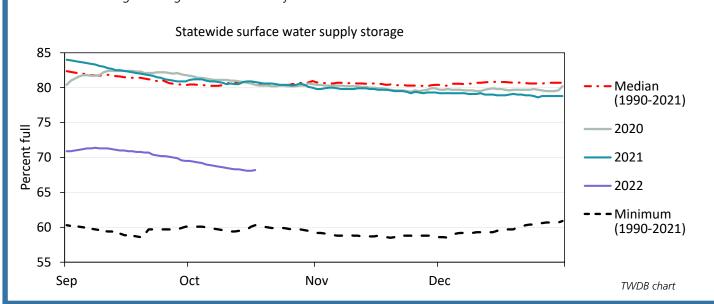
Drought conditions

- ♦ 73% now
- ♦ 71% a week ago
- ♦ 94% three months ago
- ♦ 15% a year ago



Winter water supply storage

The National Weather Service forecasts a third consecutive fall and winter with La Niña conditions. What could this mean for Texas' water supply reservoirs? Something similar to what we saw in 2020 and 2021: modest declines in storage through the end of the year.



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