

Water Weekly

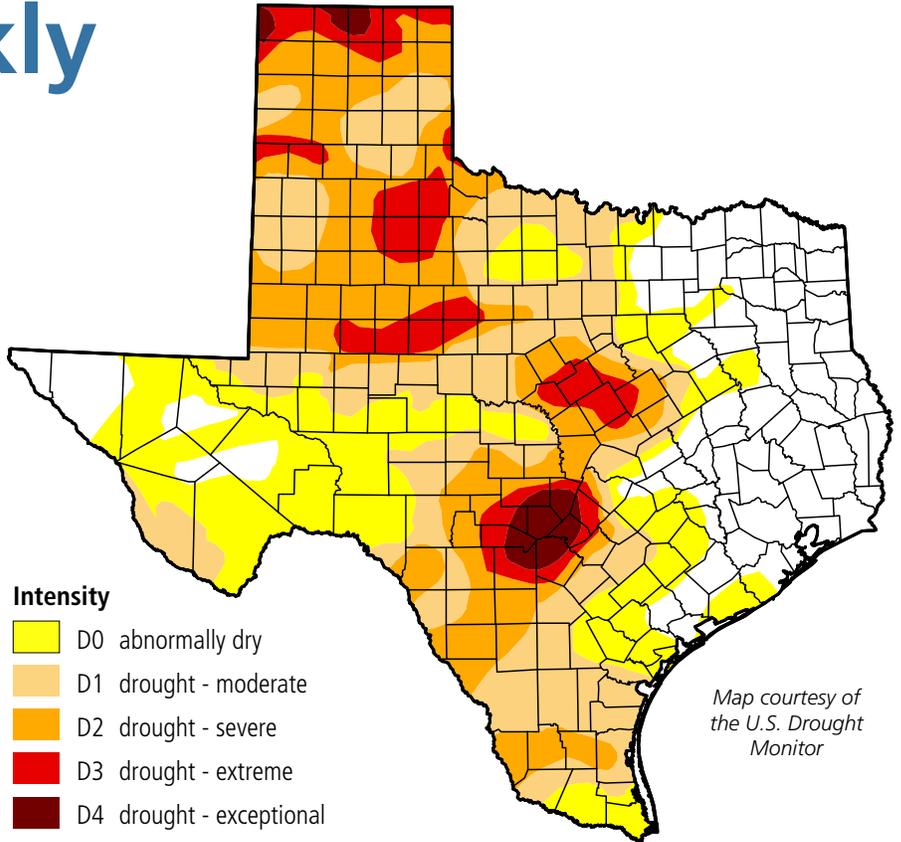
For the week of 02/20/23

Water conditions

The latest drought monitor map, for conditions as of February 14, shows the largest area of the state impacted by drought in 2023. In the last week, drought contracted in East Texas but expanded and intensified in the Panhandle and Central and South Texas.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 55% now
- ◆ 53% a week ago
- ◆ 64% three months ago
- ◆ 78% a year ago



Kendall County

Kendall County, located in Central Texas northwest of San Antonio, remains an epicenter for exceptional drought. For 14 consecutive weeks, beginning in mid-November 2022, the entire county has been in exceptional drought. In 2011, the entire county was in exceptional drought for 26 consecutive weeks.

Texas percent area in U.S. Drought Monitor categories

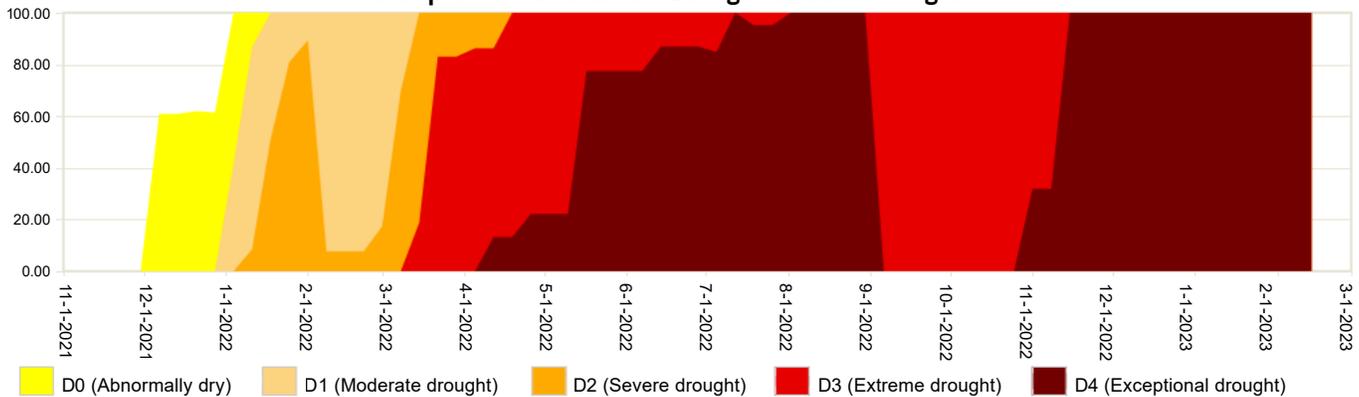


Chart courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

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