

Water Weekly

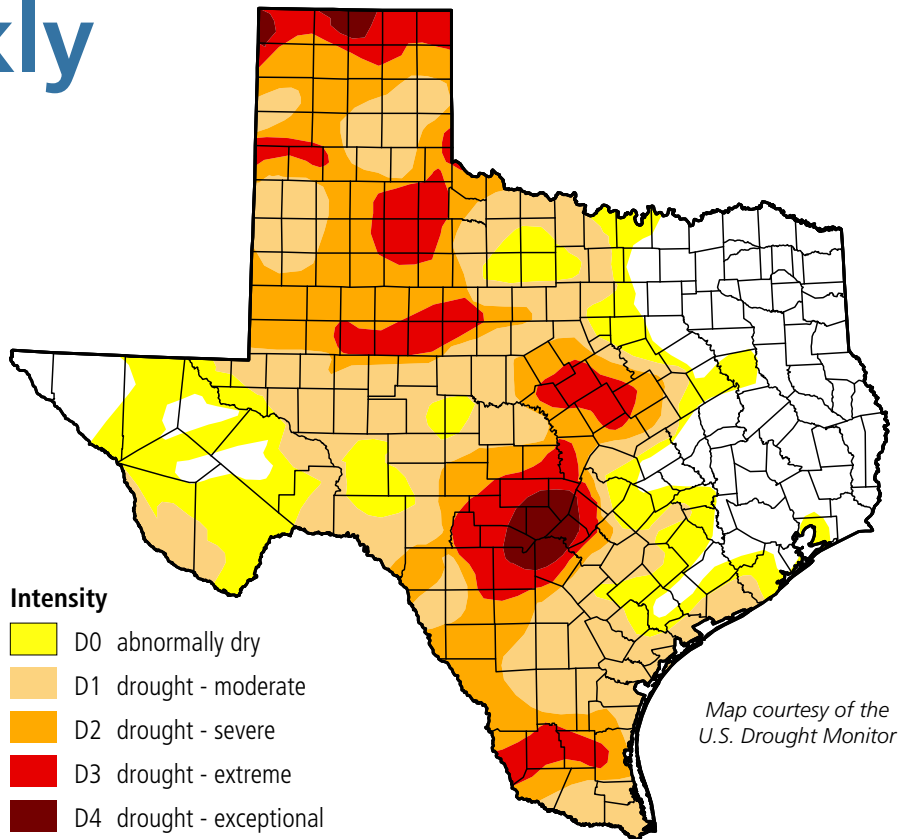
For the week of 03/06/23

Water conditions

For the third consecutive week, drought expansion in Central and South Texas outpaced drought contraction in East Texas. The latest drought monitor map, for conditions as of February 28, shows the largest area of the state impacted by drought since November 2022.

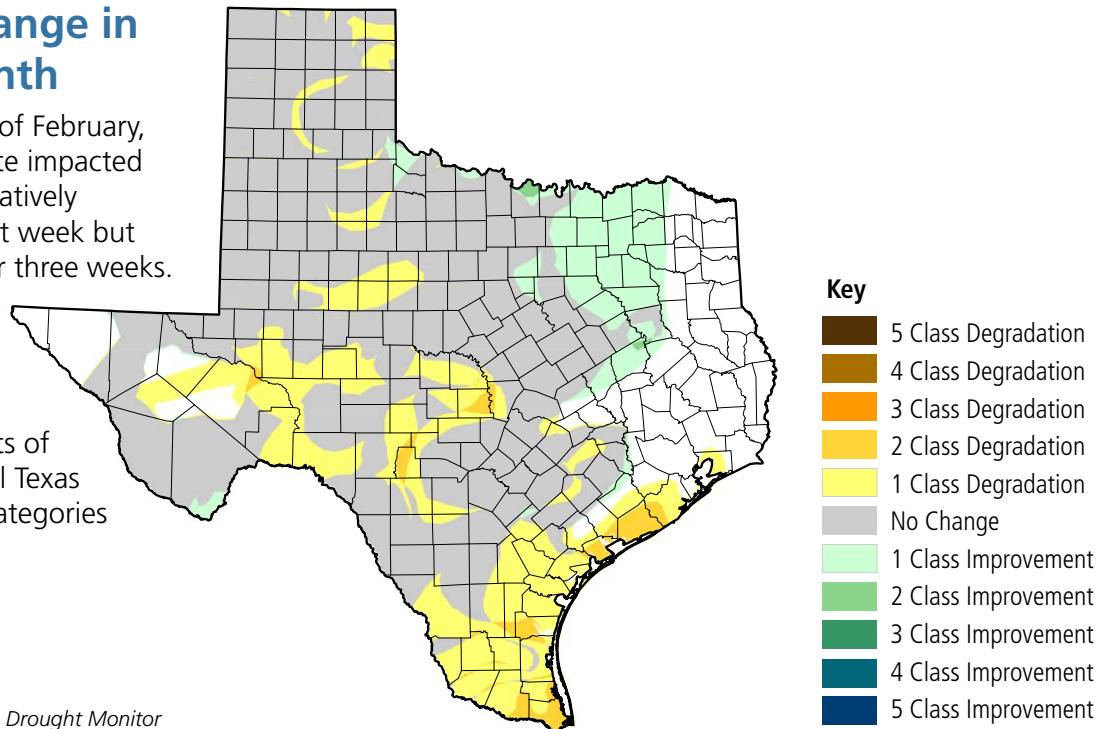
Drought conditions

- ◆ 62% now
- ◆ 58% a week ago
- ◆ 52% three months ago
- ◆ 81% a year ago



Drought change in the last month

During the month of February, the area of the state impacted by drought was relatively unchanged the first week but increased the other three weeks. The net change statewide in drought was a nine-percentage-point increase. Parts of coastal and Central Texas experienced two categories of degradation.



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