

# Water Weekly

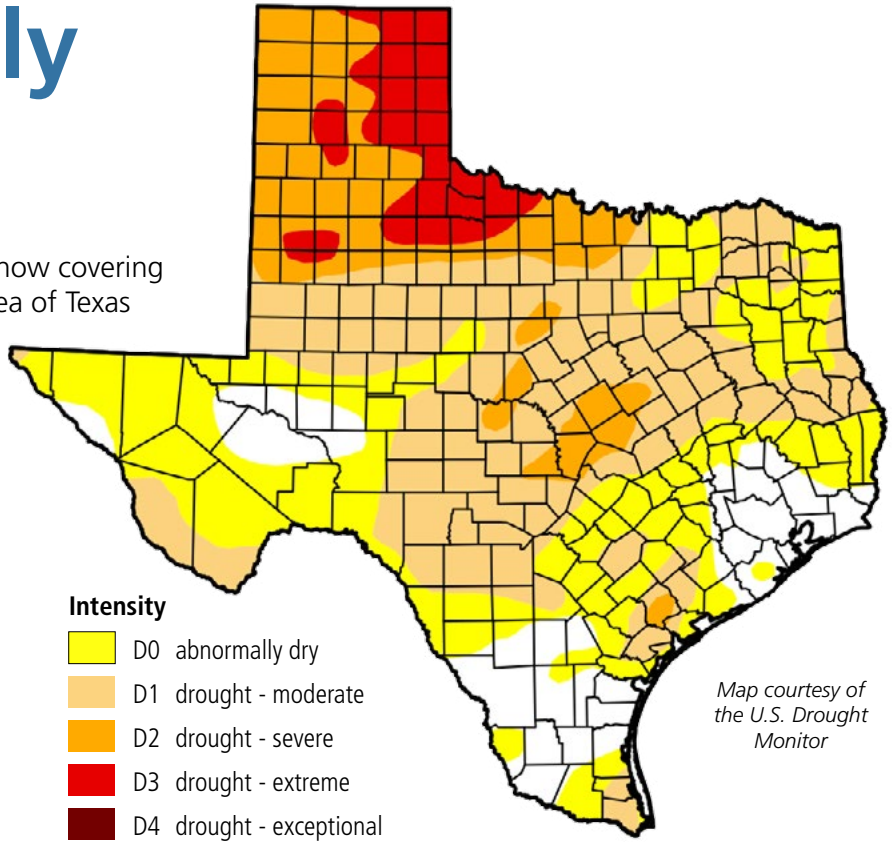
For the week of 02/05/18

## Water conditions

Drought continues to intensify and expand, now covering 56 percent of the state. This is the largest area of Texas impacted by drought since September 2014 during the 2010–2015 drought. More than 30 counties in the northern part of the state are now impacted by extreme drought.

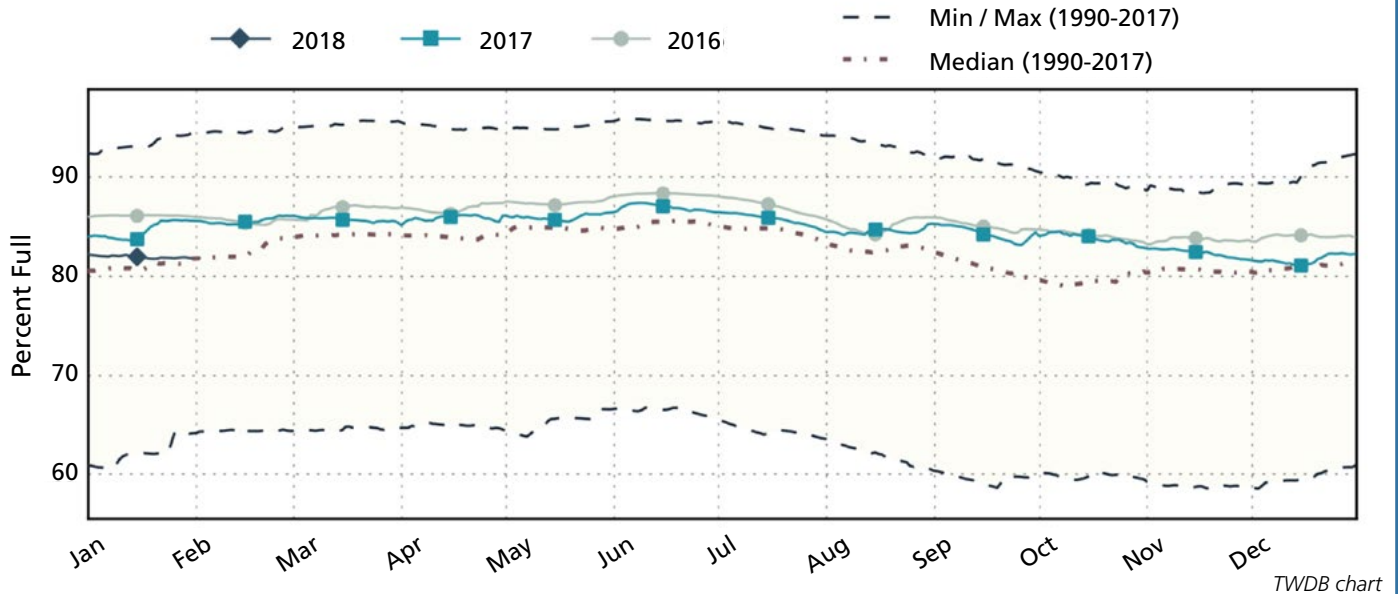
## Drought conditions

- ◆ 56% now
- ◆ 49% a week ago
- ◆ 3% three months ago
- ◆ 3% a year ago



## Statewide reservoir storage

In the next few months, drought is expected to increase demands on our water supply reservoirs. It's comforting to begin that process with supplies near normal for this time of year.



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