

Water Weekly

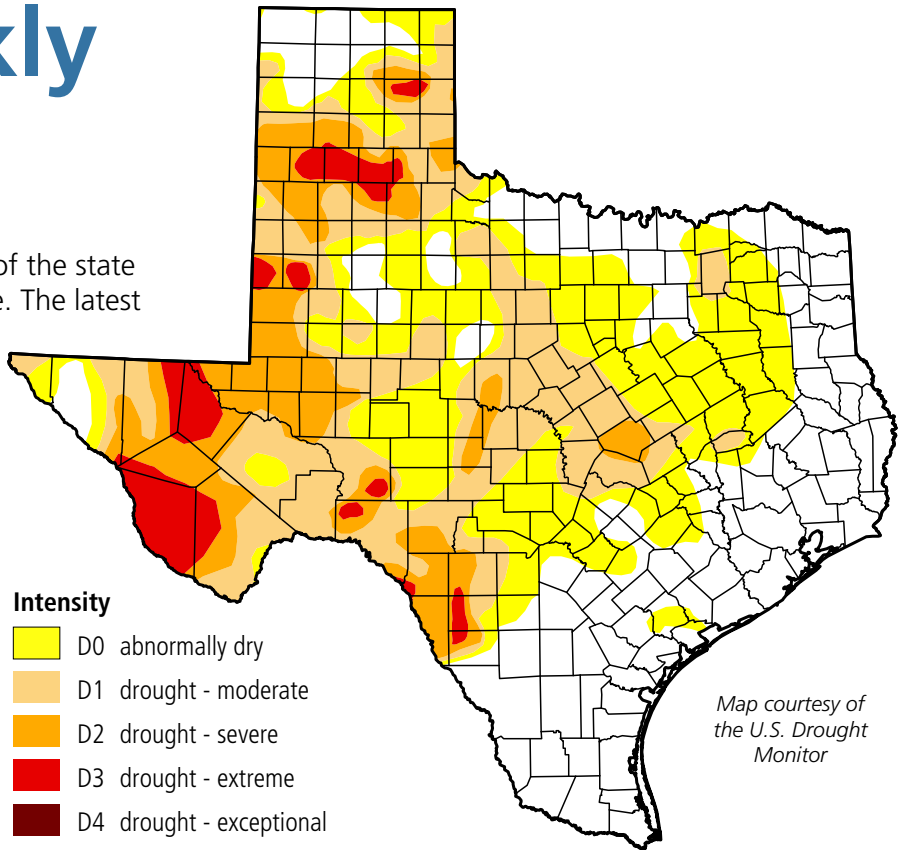
For the week of 08/17/20

Water conditions

Weeks of dry and hot conditions for most of the state have started to take a toll on the landscape. The latest drought map for conditions as of August 11 shows 40 percent of the state in moderate or worse drought, an increase of seven percentage points from the previous week.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 40% now
- ◆ 33% a week ago
- ◆ 15% three months ago
- ◆ 22% a year ago

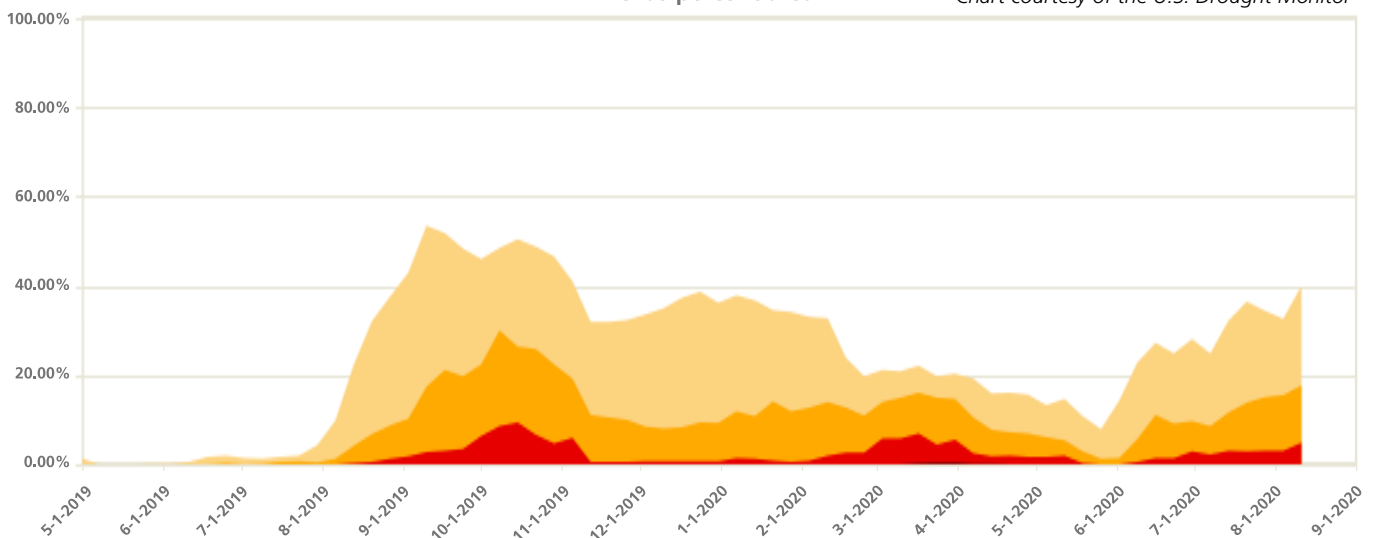


Drought timeline

Texas was last drought free in May 2019. In mid-July 2019 less than 2 percent of the state was in drought, but by mid-September 2019 drought covered more than half the state. Drought dipped to 8 percent of the state in May 2020 but has rebounded to 40 percent recently.

Texas percent area

Chart courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor



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