

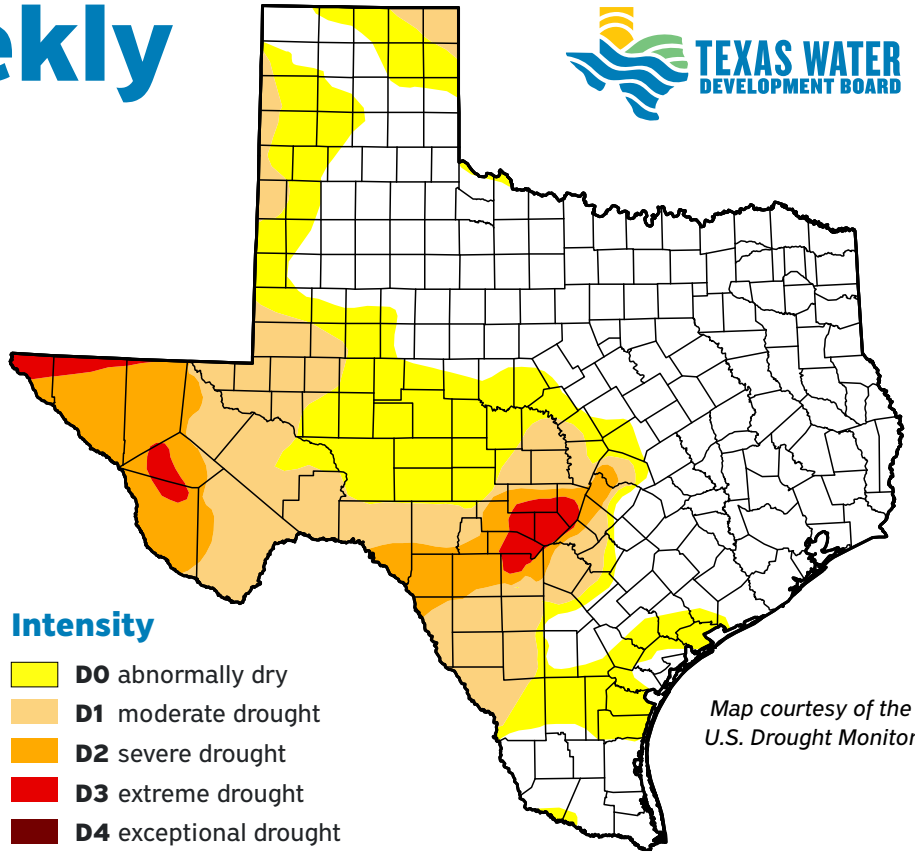
# Water Weekly

For the week of 04/22/24



## Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of April 16 shows some drought contraction in Central Texas but more expansion in South and West Texas. After six consecutive weeks of small increases, statewide drought has now reached its greatest extent since mid-January.



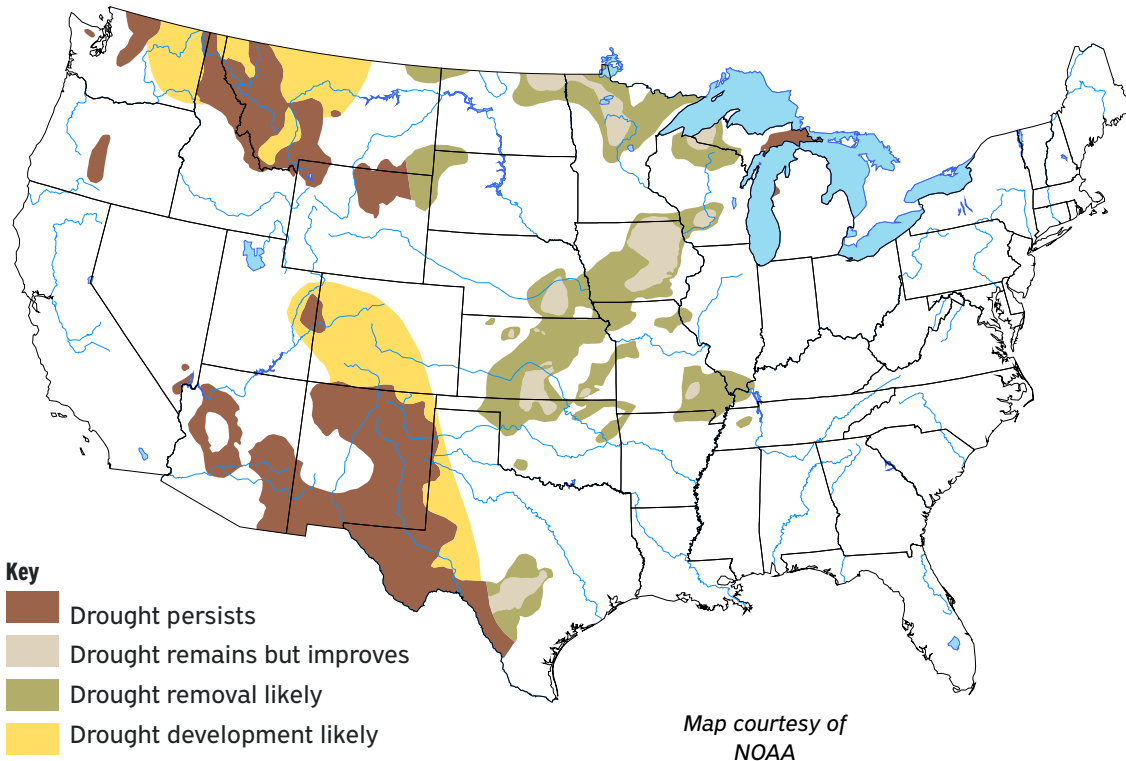
Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

## Drought conditions

- 27% now
- 25% a week ago
- 31% three months ago
- 58% a year ago

## Intensity

- D0** abnormally dry
- D1** moderate drought
- D2** severe drought
- D3** extreme drought
- D4** exceptional drought



- Key**
- Drought persists
  - Drought remains but improves
  - Drought removal likely
  - Drought development likely

Map courtesy of NOAA

## U.S. seasonal drought outlook

The latest drought outlook from the National Weather Service for conditions through the end of July anticipates some improvement in Central Texas but continued degradation in West Texas. That would bring a third consecutive summer of drought to parts of Central, South, and West Texas.

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