Drought Information Statement for South Central Texas

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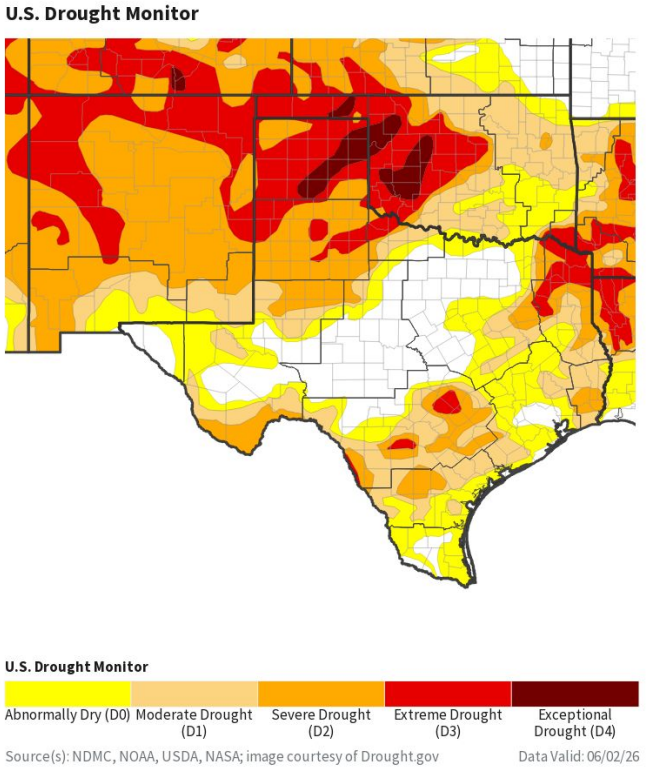
- This product will be updated July 3, 2026 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements.
- Please visit https://www.weather.gov/EWX/DroughtInformationStatement for previous statements.
- Please visit https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates for regional drought status updates.

- Beneficial rainfall occurred for much of South Central Texas in the month of May with improvements noted in short term drought across the board.
- Streamflows and western reservoirs continue to trend low with nearly all watersheds reporting less than normal percentiles.
- The seasonal drought outlook does bode well for south central Texas with drought improvement and removal likely for portions of the service area.

U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor for South Central Texas

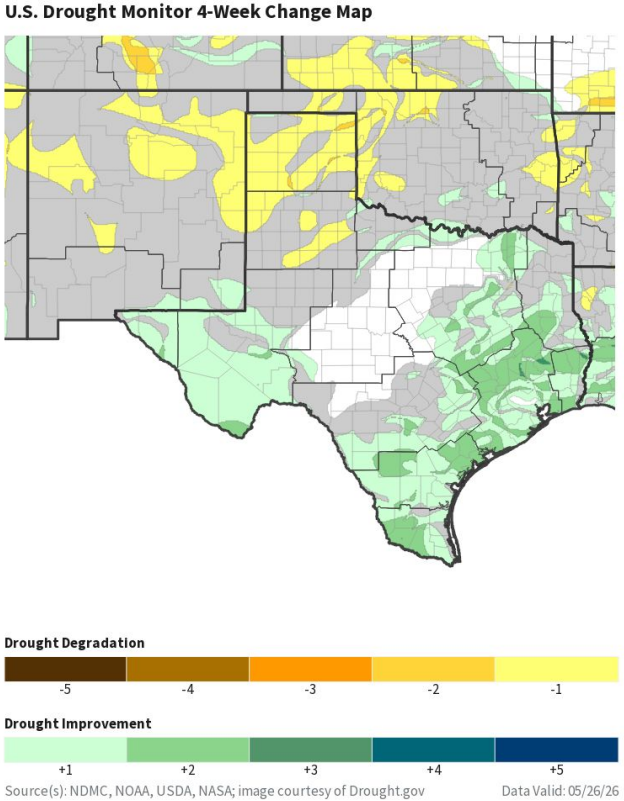
- Drought intensity and Extent
  - **D4 (Exceptional Drought)**: None
    - Percent of Area: 0%
  - **D3 (Extreme Drought)**: Covers portions of the I-35 Corridor and Rio Grande Plains.
    - Percent of Area: 5.6%
  - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: Covers portions of the Rio Grande Plains, I-35 Corridor, and Coastal Plains.
    - Percent of Area: 29.82%
  - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: Covers portions of the Hill Country, Edwards Plateau, I-35 Corridor, Coastal Plains, and Rio Grande Plains.
    - Percent of Area: 68.22%
  - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: Covers the Hill Country and Edwards Plateau.
    - Percent of Area: 83.62%



Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest 4-week change map for South Central Texas

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
  - Drought Worsened: None
  - No Change: Large portions of the service area.
  - Drought Improved: Portions of the Coastal Plains, I-35 Corridor, and Rio Grande Plains.

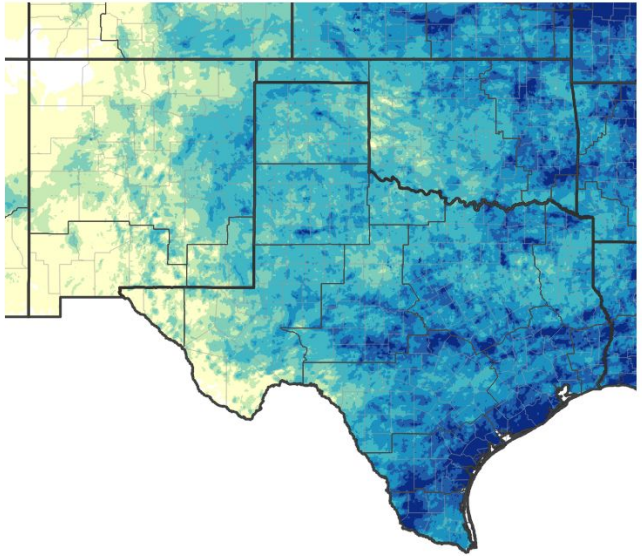


Precipitation

Links to the latest Precipitation Accumulation and Percent of Normal over the past 30 days

- Much of the service area saw above normal rainfall over the past 30 days.
  - Localized pockets saw greater than 200-300% of normal rainfall over the last 30 days.
  - The northern Rio Grande Plains largely missed out on significant rains in May.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)



Inches of Precipitation

0 | 0.01 | 0.5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8

Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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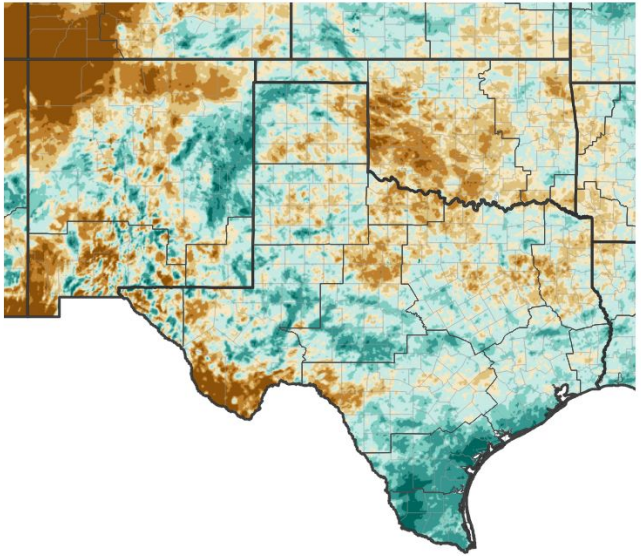
30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions

0% | 25% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 100% | 150% | 200% | 300%

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Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit Condition Monitoring Observer Reports (CMOR) and view the Drought Impacts Reporter

Hydrologic Impacts

- The majority of streamflows across the service area fall within the normal to below normal percentile. (USGS)
- Several watersheds in the I-35 Corridor, Hill Country, and Coastal Plains fall within the normal to above normal percentile. (USGS)
- Storage in area reservoirs remain low at Medina, Canyon Lake, and Amistad.
- See next page for more details.

Agricultural Impacts

- Please see the latest Crop & Weather Report from Texas A&M Agrilife.
- Crop moisture index values show near normal conditions over the region. (NWS Climate Prediction Center)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- The Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook calls for above normal fire potential in July and August.
- (National Interagency Coordination Center)
- See Fire Hazard page for more details.

Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.

Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- The majority of streamflows across the service area fall within near normal to below normal range.
- Most watersheds in the I-35 corridor and Coastal Plains, and Hill Country fall within the above normal category.

Additional data:
Edwards Aquifer, Bexar Index Well J-17
as
of June 5, 2026:
10 day average: 641.6
Historical Monthly Average: 661.7
Departure from Average: -20.6

Reservoir	Pool Elevation	Current Elevation	Percent Full
Amistad	1117.00 feet	1047.21 feet	29.4%
Lake Austin	492.9 feet	492.38 feet	97.8%
Lake Buchanan	1020.00 feet	1019.87 feet	99.7%
Canyon Lake	909.00 feet	886.74 feet	59.0%
Georgetown Lake	791.00 feet	794.49 feet	100%
Granger Lake	504.00 feet	508.47 feet	100%
Lake LBJ	825.00 feet	824.80 feet	98.9%
Lake Marble Falls	738.00 feet	736.30 feet	94.4%
Medina Lake	1064.2 feet	977.09 feet	4.0%
Lake Travis	681.00 feet	669.88 feet	82.0%

Table caption: TWDB Reservoir conditions as of June 5, 2026

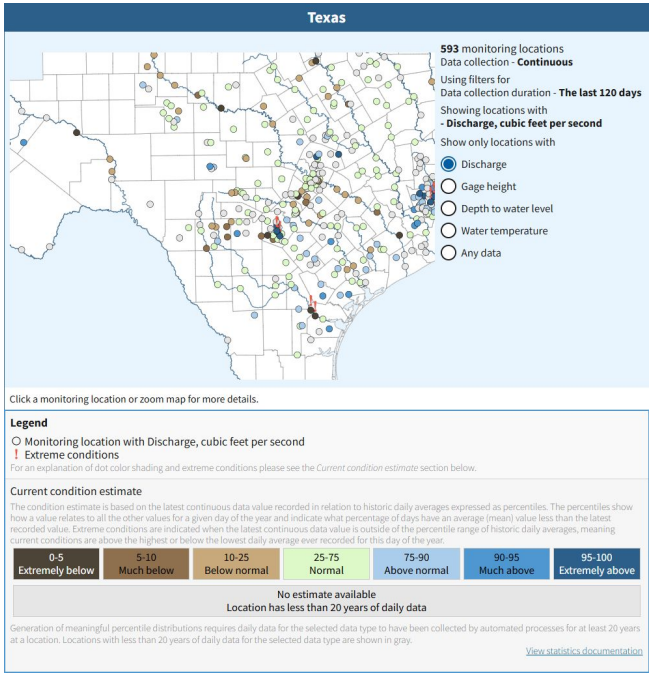
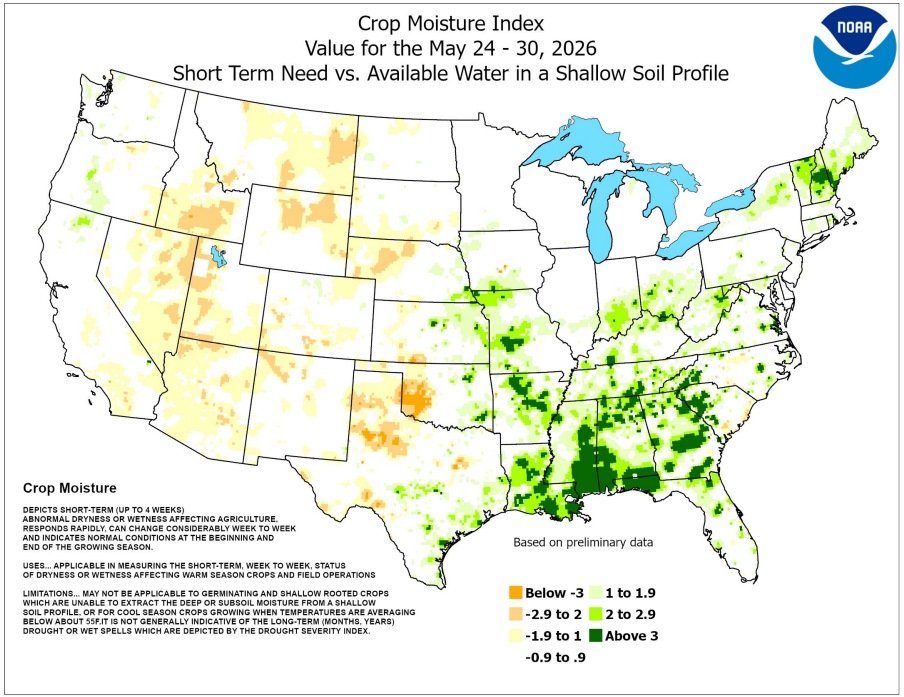


Figure Caption: Daily historical percentile discharge, valid June 5, 2026.

Agricultural Impacts

Links to the latest Crop Moisture Index by Division.

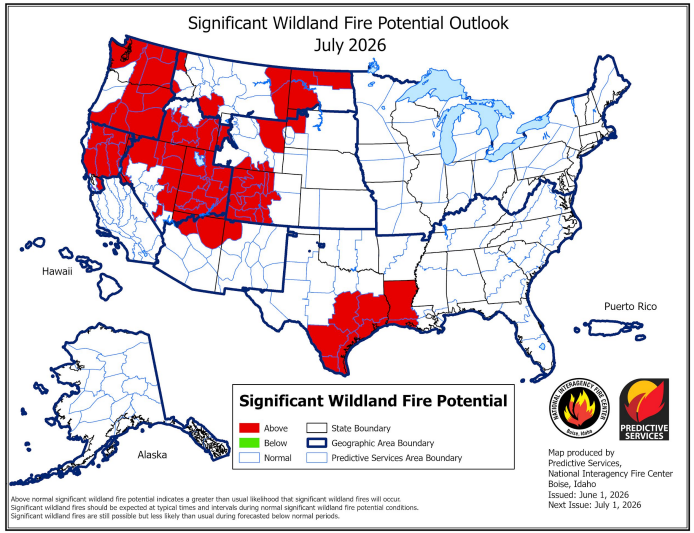
- Crop moisture index values show near normal to slightly above normal indices.
- Slightly below normal over the northern Rio Grande Plains.

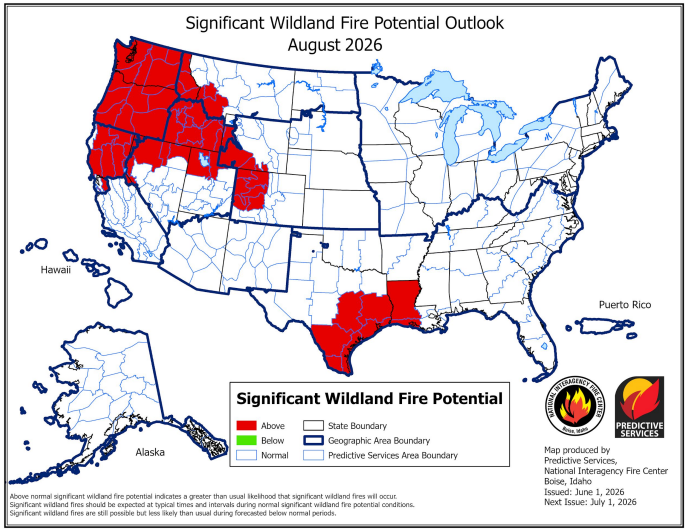


Fire Hazard Impacts

Link to [Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center.]

- [Keetch Byram Drought Index values] of 0-200 are noted for much of the region.
  - Portions of the Rio Grande Plains and Edwards Plateau fall between 200-400.
- The Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook calls above normal conditions in July and August.





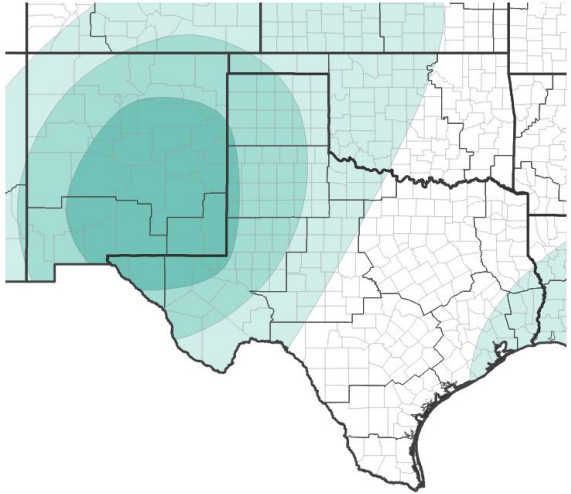
Burn bans remain for 10 of our 33 counties as of June 5, 2026. Latest County Burn Ban map available [here.]

Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the CPC homepage

- Most of the area leaning towards near normal precipitation for June.
- The entire service area is shown to lean towards normal temperatures for the month of May.

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for June 1, 2026–June 30, 2026



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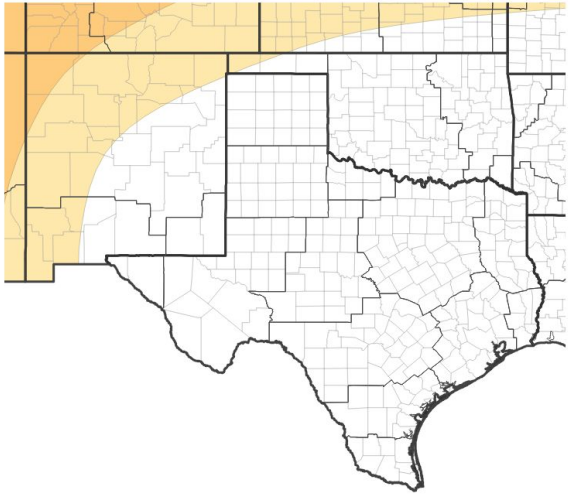

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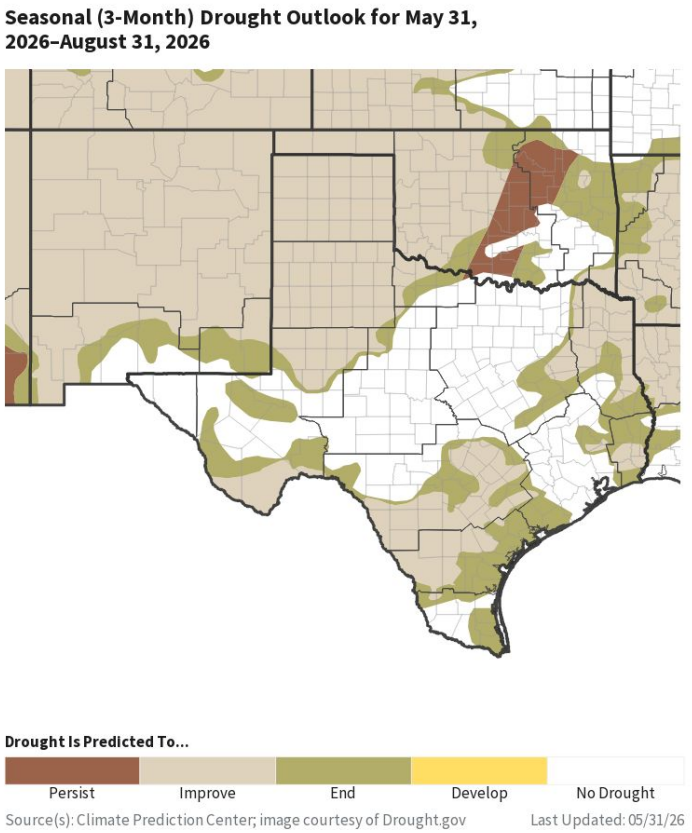

Links to the latest:
Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook
Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook