

Drought Information Statement for South Central Texas

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- This product will be updated December 4, 2025 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.
- Below normal rainfall was observed over most of the service area over the past 30 days.
- Streamflows continue to trend lower as a very dry Sep/Oct led to a flash drought for portions of the area.
- Drought outlook does not bode well for improvement through the next 3 months with drier and warmer than normal weather expected to continue.



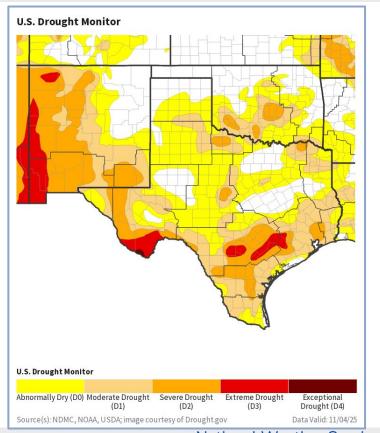




U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the <u>latest U.S. Drought Monitor</u> for south central Texas

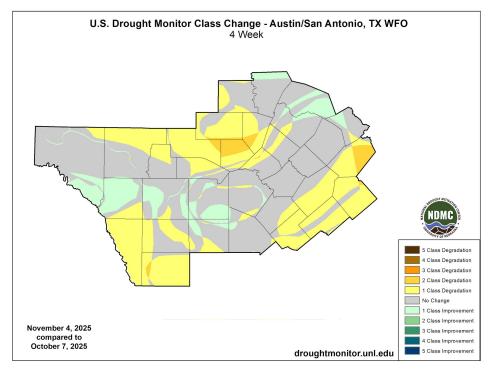
- Drought intensity and Extent
 - D4 (Exceptional Drought): None.
 - Percent of Area: 0.00%
 - D3 (Extreme Drought): Covers portions of Bexar, Atascosa, Frio, Medina, Fayette, Gonzales, Lavaca, Karnes, DeWitt, and Wilson counties.
 - Percent of Area: 12.20%
 - D2 (Severe Drought): Covers portions of the Rio Grande Plains, I-35 Corridor, and Coastal Plains.
 - Percent of Area: 44.58%
 - D1 (Moderate Drought): Encompasses portions of the Coastal Plains, Rio Grande Plains, and I-35 Corridor.
 - Percent of Area: 77.95%



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: Portions of the Coastal Plains, Edwards Plateau, Hill Country and southern portion of the Rio Grande Plains.
 - No Change: Large portions of South Central Texas along I-35.
 - Drought Improved: Portions of the Edwards Plateau, northern portion of the Rio Grande Plains, and a few areas along the I-35 Corridor.

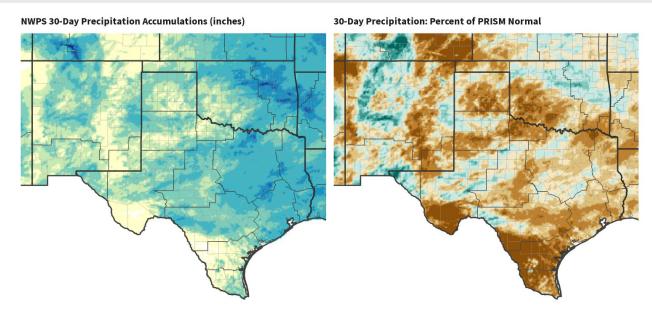


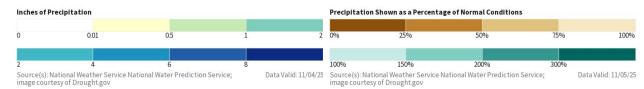




Links to the latest Precipitation Accumulation and Percent of Normal over the past 30 days

- The majority of the service area saw below to well below normal rainfall over the past 30 days.
- A swath of 25-75% of normal rainfall occurred over most of the area.
- Some beneficial rain fell over portions of the Rio Grande Plains that helped to remove exceptional drought from the region.







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 range (USGS)
- Storage remains near all time lows at Medina, with Canyon Lake and Amistad remaining below normal.
- See next page for more details.

Agricultural Impacts

- Please see the latest Crop & Weather Report from Texas A&M Agrilife.
- Soil moistures across the service area are shown in the well below normal range as of November 4. (NWS Climate Prediction Center)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Above normal wildland fire danger is expected for the month of November.
 (National Interagency Coordination Center)
- See Fire Hazard page for more details.

Drought Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.
- Select <u>Municipality Restrictions</u> (as of 11/6/2025)
 - City of Uvalde: Stage 5
 - o City of Fredericksburg: Stage 4
 - City of Kerrville: Stage 2
 - City of San Antonio: Stage 3
 - City of Universal City: Stage 3
 - City of Llano: Stage 1
 - City of Georgetown: Stage 1
 - City of New Braunfels: Stage 2
 - City of Austin: Stage 2
 - City of Del Rio: Stage 2



Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- The majority of streamflows across the service area fall within the Normal to below normal percentile.
- Several watersheds along the I-35 corridor and Coastal Plains fall within the below normal to much below normal percentile.

Additional data:

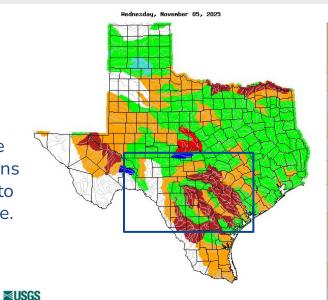
Edwards Aguifer, Bexar Index Well J-17 as

of Nov 5, 2025:

10 day average: 626.5

Historical Monthly Average: 665.7

Departure from Average: -39.4



Reservoir	Pool Elevation	Current Elevation	Percent Full	
Amistad	1117.00 feet 1057.59 feet		36%	
Lake Austin	492.9 feet	492.25 feet	96.4%	
Lake Buchanan	1020.00 feet	1018.13 feet	95.2%	
Canyon Lake	909.00 feet 890.04 feet		64.2%	
Georgetown Lake	791.00 feet 784.05 feet		72.7%	
Granger Lake	504.00 feet	503.62 feet	97%	
Lake LBJ	825.00 feet	824.65 feet	98%	
Lake Marble Falls	738.00 feet	736.42 feet	95.4%	
Medina Lake	1064.2 feet	981.48 feet	5.3%	
Lake Travis	681.00 feet	669.02 feet	80.8%	

Table caption: TWDB Reservoir conditions as of Nov

6.2025

Explanation - Percentile classes								
Low	<10	10-24	25-75	76-90	>90	High	No Data	
	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal			

Figure Caption: USGS 7 day streamflows for Texas,

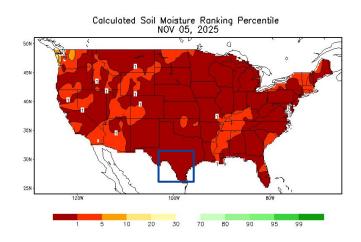
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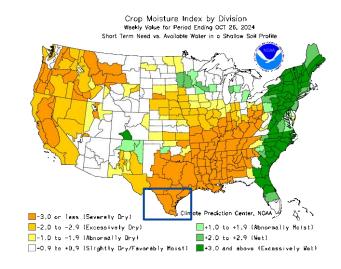




Links to the latest Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile and Crop Moisture Index by Division.

- Soil moistures across the service area are shown in the well below normal range as of November 4th.
- Crop moisture index values show severely dry conditions despite some recent rainfall.

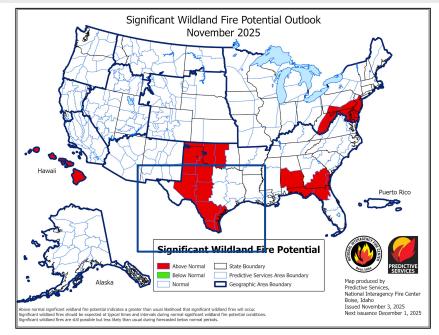






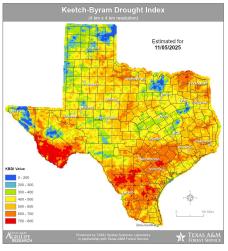
Link to Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center.

- Keetch Byram Drought Index values of 500-800 are noted for much of the region.
- Values range between 200-500 for the Edwards Plateau.
- The Significant
 Wildland Fire
 Potential Outlook calls
 for above normal fire
 potential in November.



Burn bans remain for 29 of our 33 counties as of Nov 5, 2025. Latest County Burn Ban map available here.

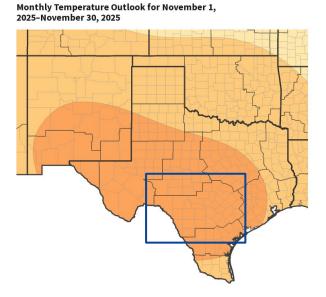


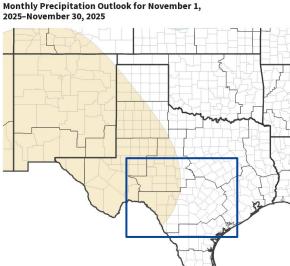


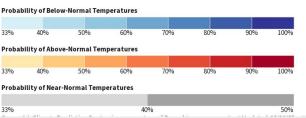
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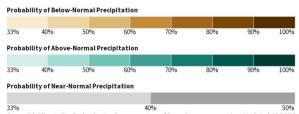
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- The temperature outlook for the month of November leans towards above normal temperatures.
- The precipitation outlook the month of November leans towards below normal precipitation.









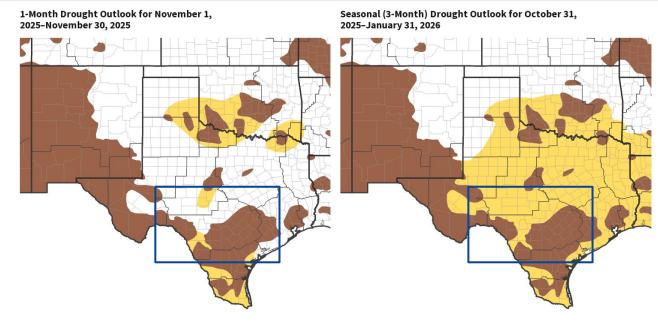


Drought Outlook

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Drought Is Predicted To...

- The monthly drought outlook for November shows drought persisting for many and developing for some.
- The three month drought outlook shows drought persisting for many and developing for the remainder of the service area.



Drought Is Predicted To...



Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook Source(s): Climate Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook



No Drought

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