



Water Weekly

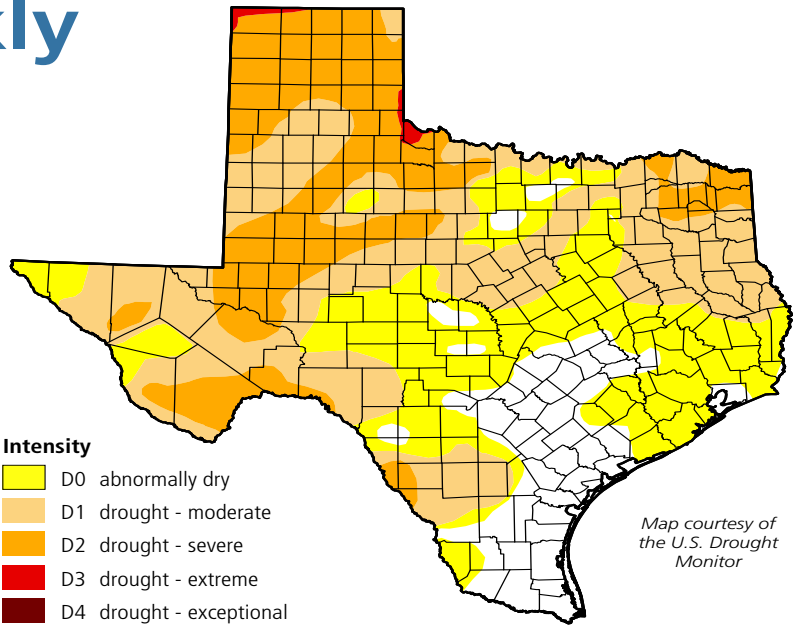
For the week of 12/20/21

Water conditions

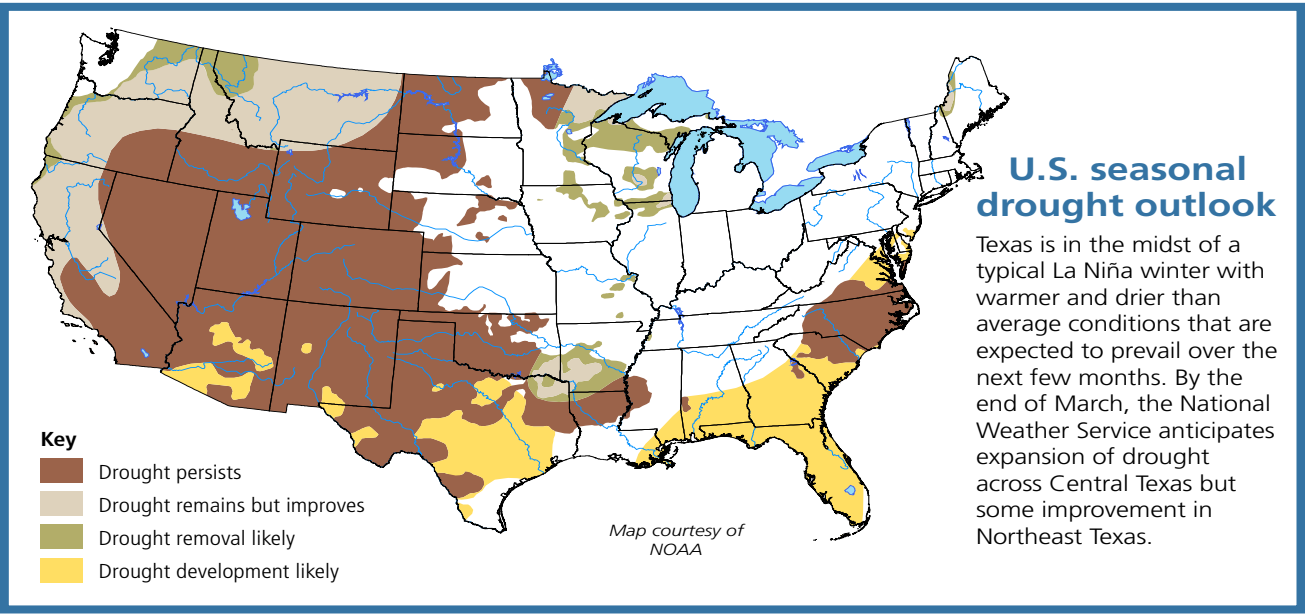
As shown on the latest map for conditions as of December 14, drought continues to expand and intensify across the state. Recent weeks have been extremely dry. If those conditions continue to prevail, an additional 28 percent of the state is susceptible to drought conditions in coming weeks.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 58% now
- ◆ 55% a week ago
- ◆ 3% three months ago
- ◆ 78% a year ago



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor



U.S. seasonal drought outlook

Texas is in the midst of a typical La Niña winter with warmer and drier than average conditions that are expected to prevail over the next few months. By the end of March, the National Weather Service anticipates expansion of drought across Central Texas but some improvement in Northeast Texas.

Map courtesy of NOAA

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**Pet Talk**

Whether it be for vacation getaways or seeing family and friends, the holidays are a great opportunity to travel. As people begin to pack their bags for this travel season, owners who plan to take their pets along with them should also begin preparing their furry friends for the travel experience.

Dr. Lori Teller, a clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, says that owners wanting to take their pets with them by plane should first check with their airline before booking their flights.

“The only animals that can fly in the cabin are those that fit in a carrier under the seat (for a fee) and service dogs (no fee),” Teller said. “All other pets (i.e., larger dogs) have to fly in cargo in airline-approved, hard plastic crates with ventilation holes.

“Almost all airlines ban brachycephalic dogs (those with a short muzzle and flattened face) from flying, especially in cargo,” she said. “Some airlines ban other breeds as well (such as pit bulls).”

For domestic travel, the United States Department of Agriculture requires that a puppy or kitten be at least eight weeks old and fully weaned before traveling by air. Airlines also can institute a higher age minimum requirement.

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Cotton Market weekly

Until Thursday, trading volumes in the futures market had been dwindling to their lowest in months. March futures prices were confined to a relatively tight range from 105.45 cents per pound to 107.82 cents over the last week, and there was no indication that the market intended to do much but move sideways. All that changed on Thursday as a combination of outside markets rallying and strong export sales (more on both below), helped to fuel a rally. March futures settled at 109.68 after touching limit up on Thursday, making for a gain of 309 points for the week. Open interest lost another 2,390 contracts to hit 232,578.

Outside Markets

Markets received a great clarification this week. Inflation figures from both the consumer and producer price indices continued to weigh on markets and the great question had become whether and how the Federal Reserve will take policy action to contain inflation. Beyond that question was concern of whether or not the economy could afford higher interest rates going forward, especially given the risk of the omicron variant causing economic disruption. Wednesday's Federal Open Market Committee clarified the first question, in that the Fed no longer sees inflation as "transitory". It is accelerating the wind down of its monetary injections and foresees three rate increases in 2022. Increased clarity and certainty were enough in themselves to cheer the markets on Wednesday, but the continued trend

of better than expected initial and continuing jobless claims, in addition to higher-than-expected housing starts, seems to have solidified the market's view that people will still need more goods in the coming year. Other Central Banks also began to tighten their policy and the U.S. dollar actually ended the week lower, providing a little more tailwind to commodity markets.

Public Notices

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**Weekly bale count (As of Dec. 21, 2021)**

WesTex Co-op	121,819
Acuff-McClung	46,850
Texas Star Co-op	101,715
New Home Co-op	53,650
Lubbock Cotton Growers	133,397
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<b>Totals</b>	<b>518,832</b>

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