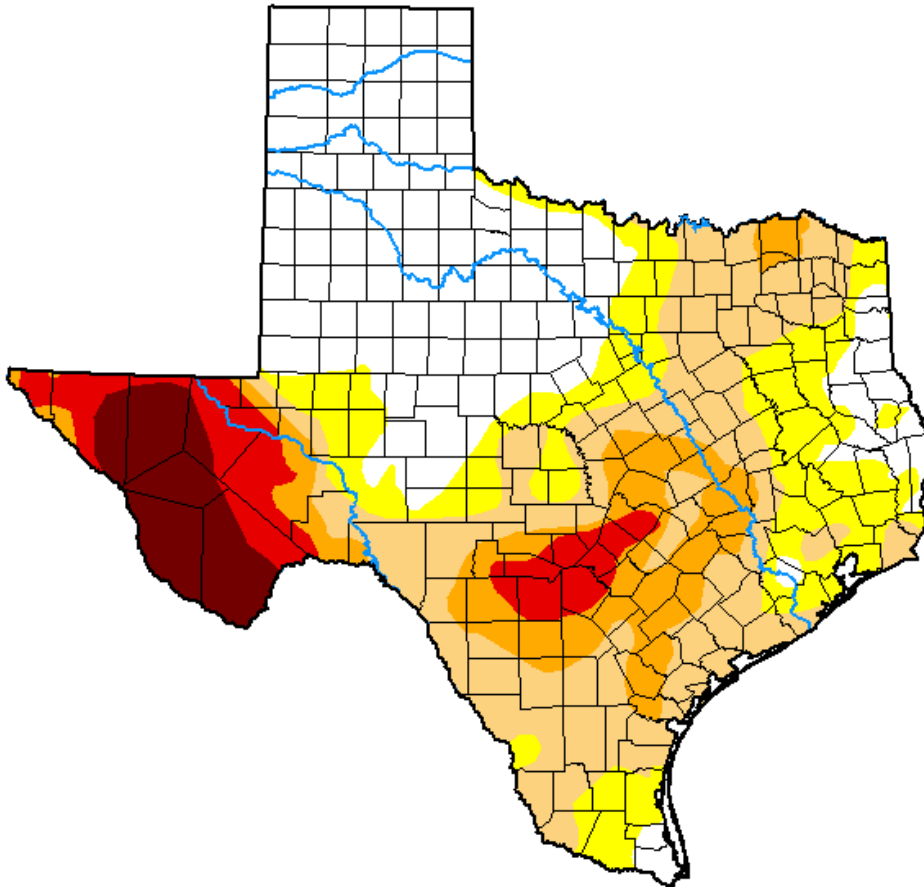


# U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

**December 10, 2024**  
(Released Thursday, Dec. 12, 2024)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	33.61	66.39	48.95	23.75	12.99	6.30
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-03-2024</i>	32.02	67.98	50.38	22.68	12.99	6.30
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-10-2024</i>	39.37	60.63	32.16	15.69	6.01	1.65
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2024</i>	39.60	60.40	39.47	17.78	5.68	0.68
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2024</i>	26.09	73.91	34.39	16.62	8.91	3.36
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-12-2023</i>	32.59	67.41	43.80	18.04	6.48	0.86

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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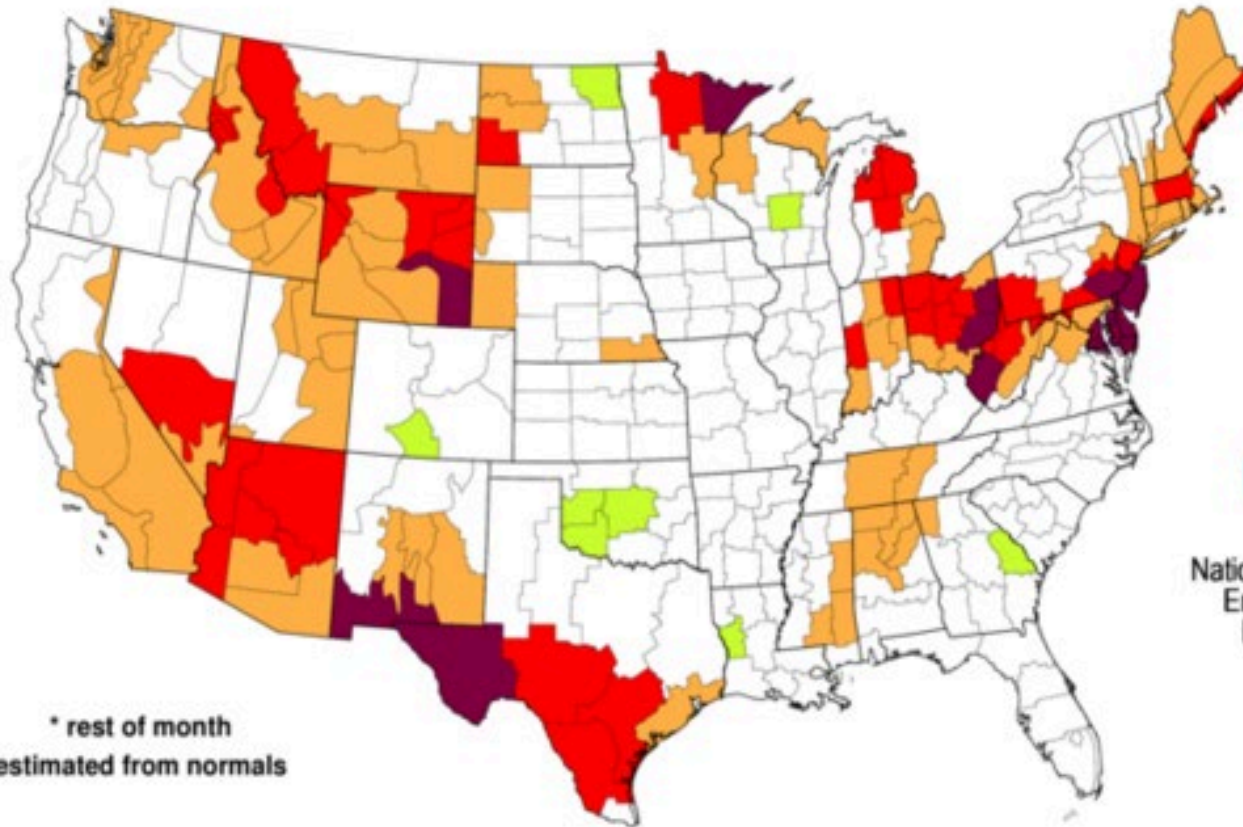
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# Palmer Drought Index Long-Term (Meteorological) Conditions

December 2024: through December 7 2024\*



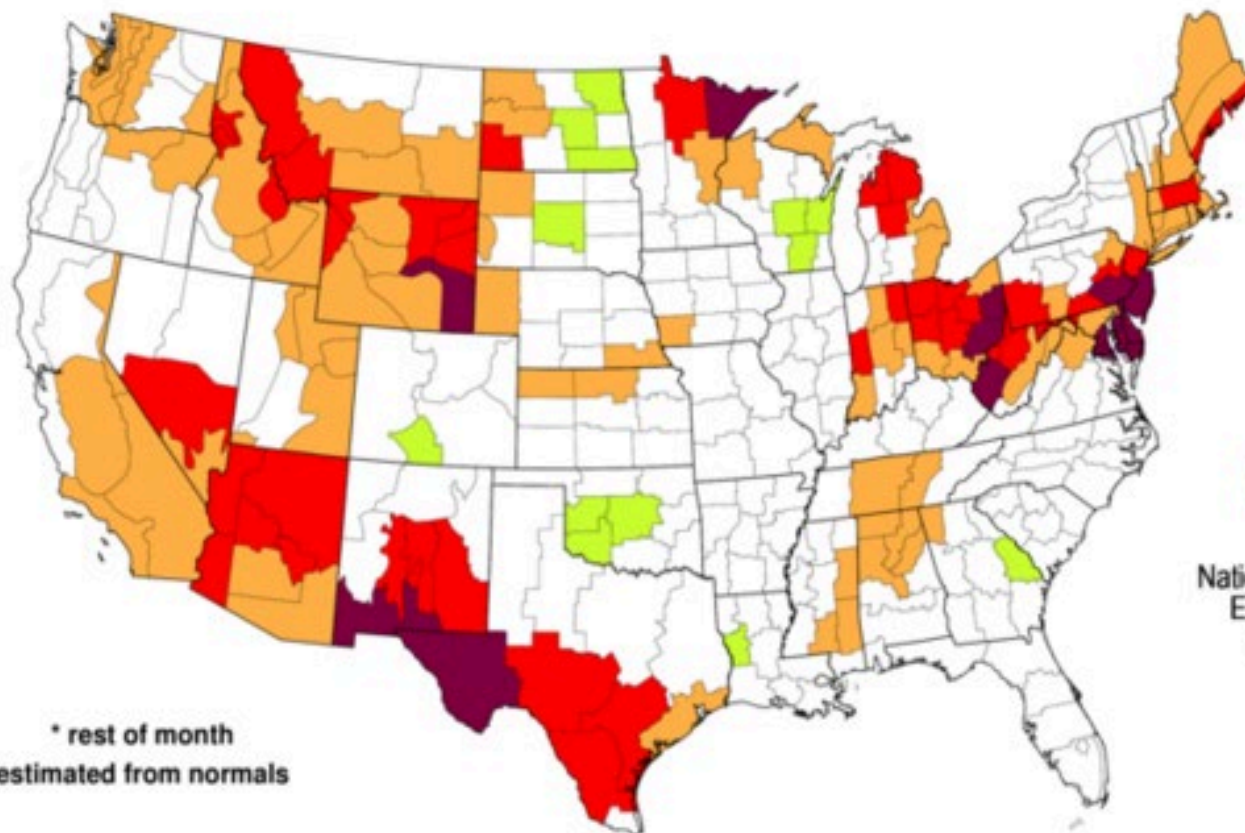
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extreme drought	severe drought	moderate drought	mid-range	moderately moist	very moist	extremely moist
						
-4.00 and below	-3.00 to -3.99	-2.00 to -2.99	-1.99 to +1.99	+2.00 to +2.99	+3.00 to +3.99	+4.00 and above

# Palmer Hydrological Drought Index Long-Term (Hydrological) Conditions

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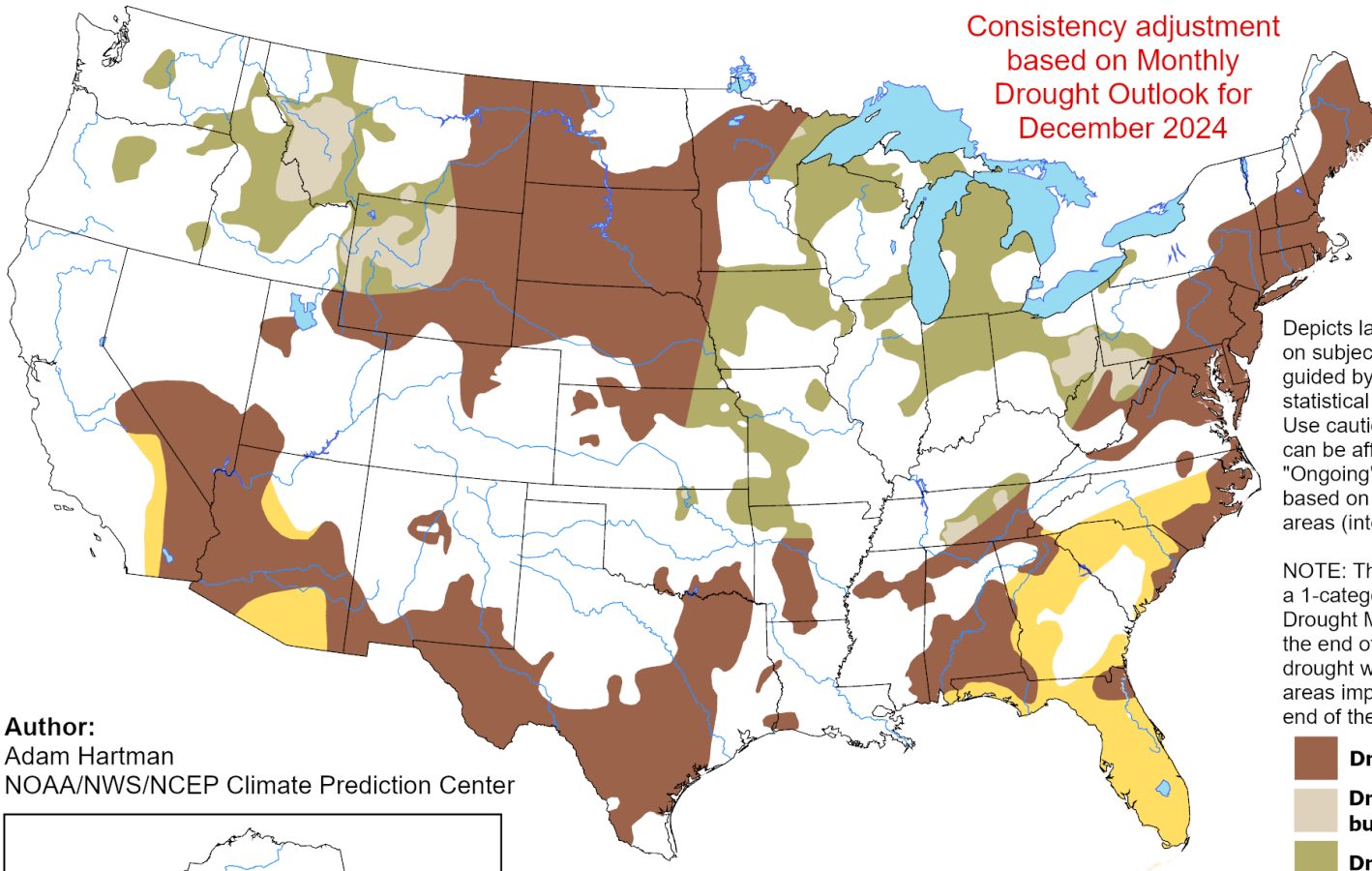


# U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

## Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for December 1, 2024 - February 28, 2025  
Released November 30, 2024

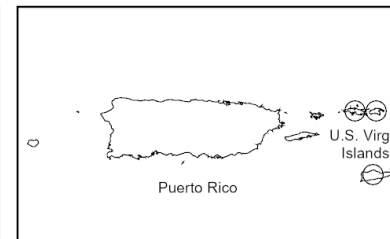
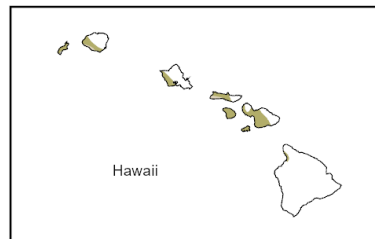
Consistency adjustment  
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Drought Outlook for  
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Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4).

NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none).

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- Drought persists**
- Drought remains, but improves**
- Drought removal likely**
- Drought development likely**
- No drought**



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