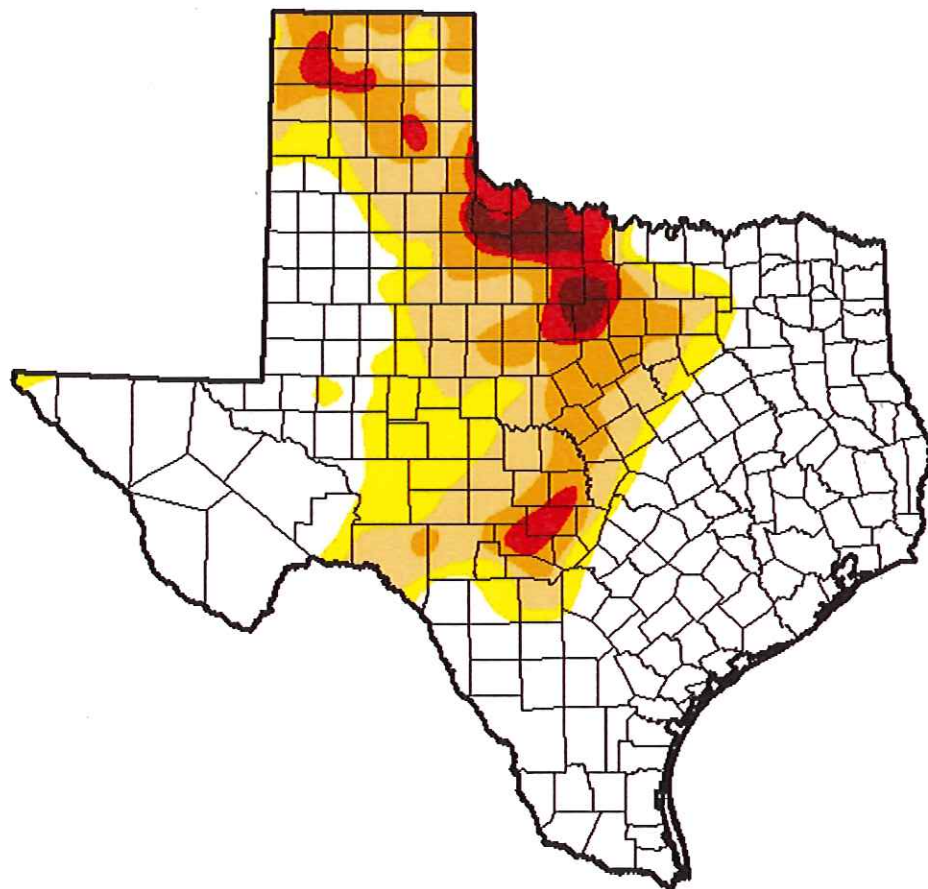


U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

May 5, 2015
(Released Thursday, May 7, 2015)
Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	59.68	40.32	29.55	15.50	5.48	1.86
Last Week 4/28/2015	58.89	41.11	30.71	15.83	5.57	2.02
3 Months Ago 2/3/2015	43.52	56.48	38.57	22.76	11.24	2.82
Start of Calendar Year 12/30/2014	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
Start of Water Year 9/30/2014	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69
One Year Ago 5/6/2014	5.11	94.89	83.35	65.13	46.17	21.28

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

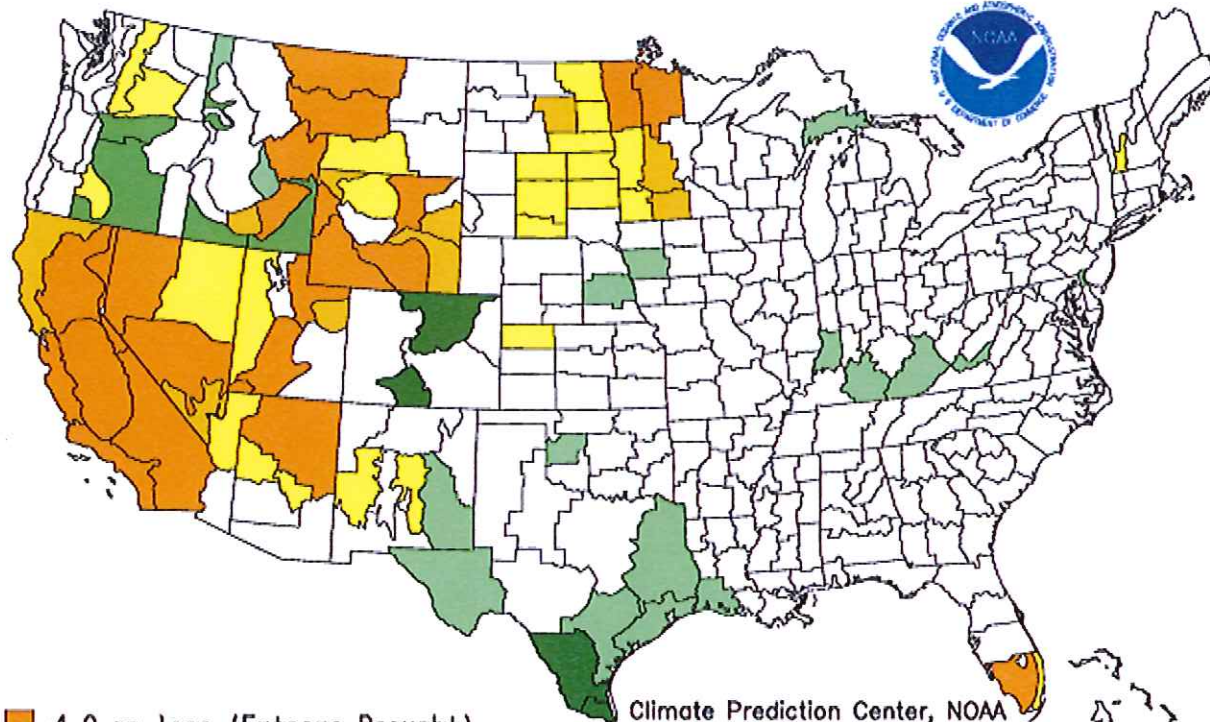
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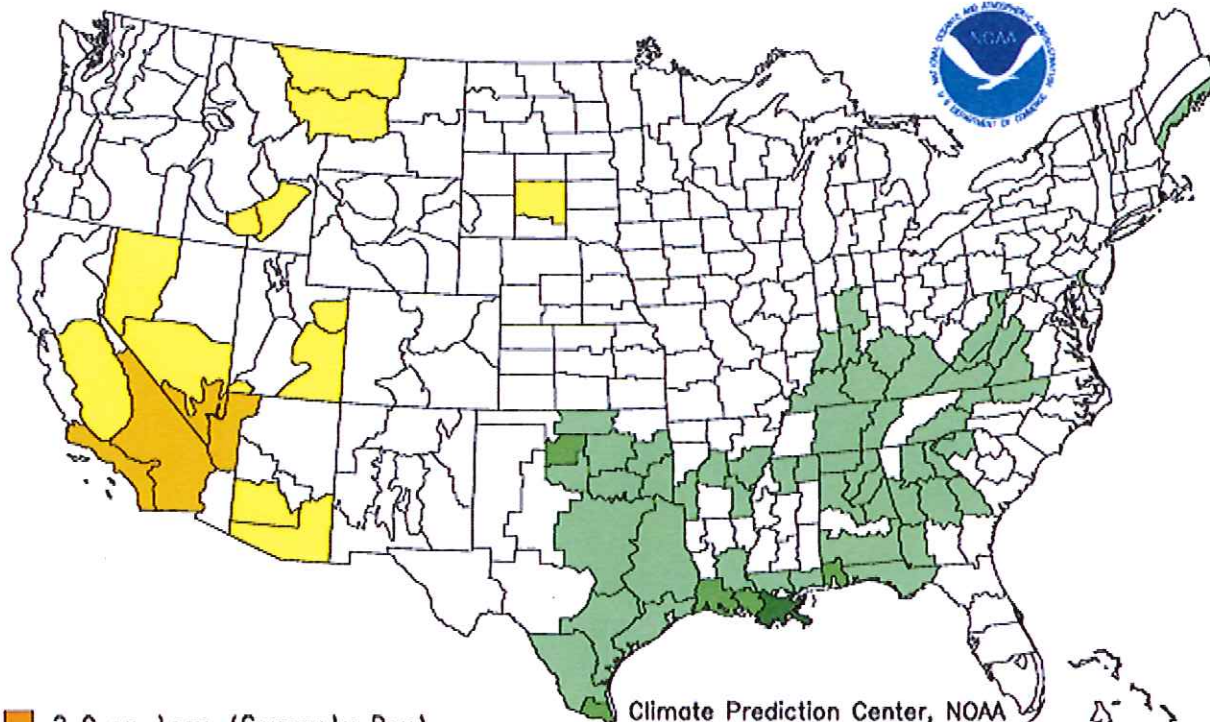
Drought Severity Index by Division
Weekly Value for Period Ending MAY 2, 2015
Long Term Palmer



Climate Prediction Center, NOAA

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| -4.0 or less (Extreme Drought) | +2.0 to +2.9 (Unusual Moist Spell) |
| -3.0 to -3.9 (Severe Drought) | +3.0 to +3.9 (Very Moist Spell) |
| -2.0 to -2.9 (Moderate Drought) | +4.0 and above (Extremely Moist) |
| -1.9 to +1.9 (Near Normal) | |

Crop Moisture Index by Division
Weekly Value for Period Ending MAY 2, 2015
Short Term Need vs. Available Water in a Shallow Soil Profile

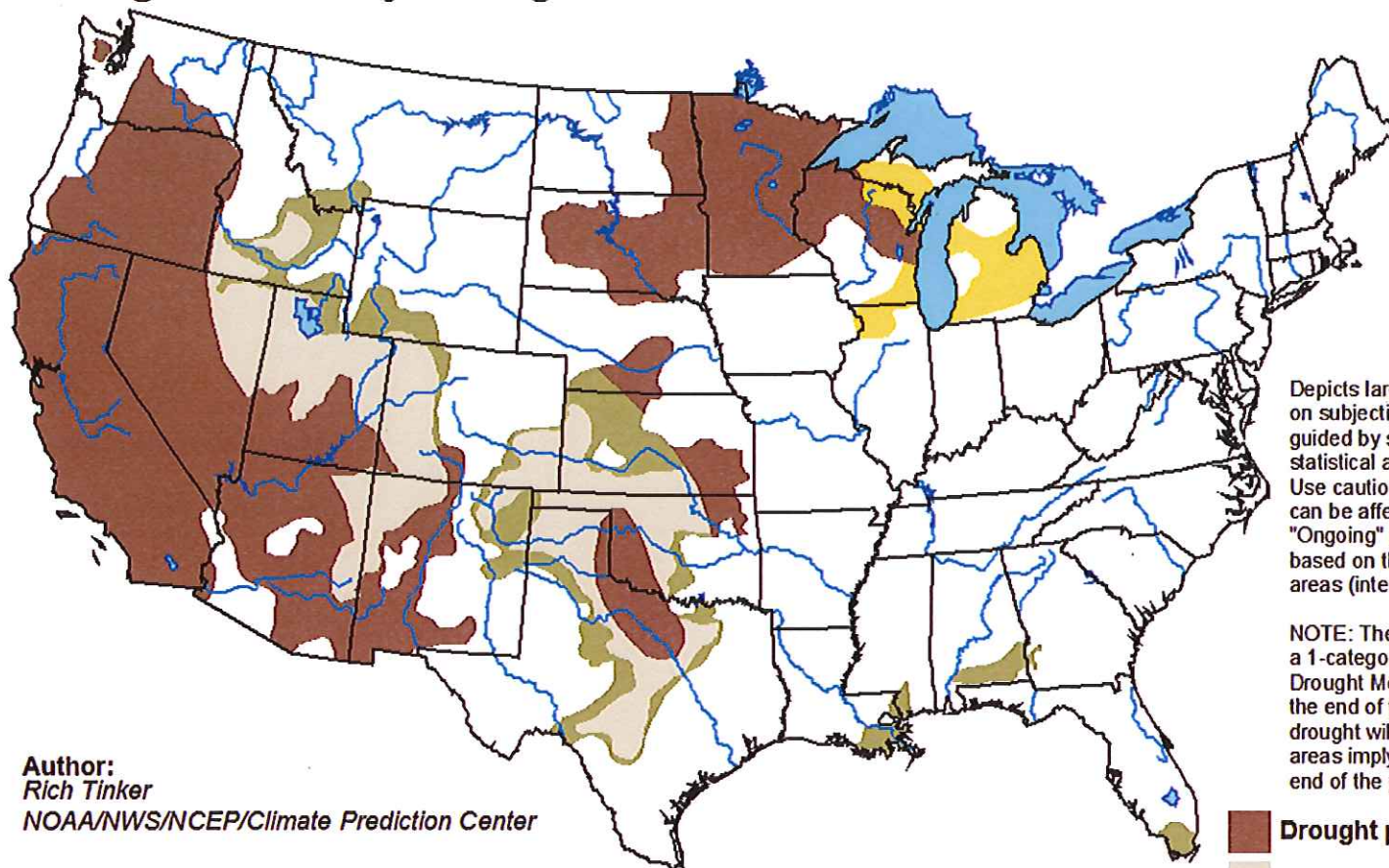


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|---|------------------------------------|
| ■ -3.0 or less (Severely Dry) | ■ +1.0 to +1.9 (Abnormally Moist) |
| ■ -2.0 to -2.9 (Excessively Dry) | ■ +2.0 to +2.9 (Wet) |
| ■ -1.0 to -1.9 (Abnormally Dry) | ■ +3.0 and above (Excessively Wet) |
| □ -0.9 to +0.9 (Slightly Dry/Favorably Moist) | |

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Drought Tendency During the Valid Period





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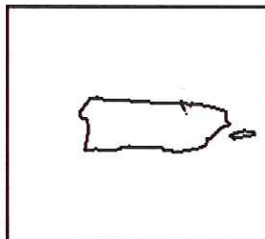
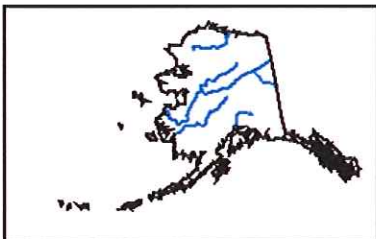


Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to 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/intensifies
-  Drought remains but improves
-  Drought removal likely
-  Drought development likely



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