

# U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

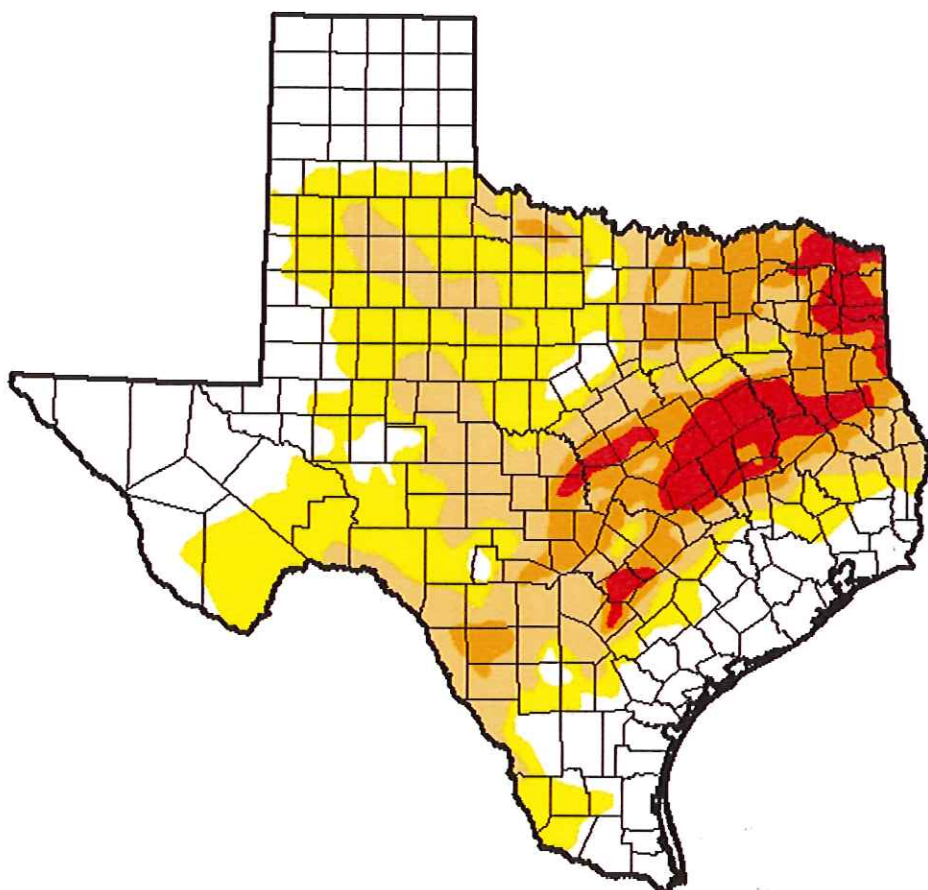
**September 29, 2015**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	34.51	65.49	38.32	17.55	6.27	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 9/22/2015	40.27	59.73	30.40	14.04	4.72	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 6/30/2015	95.37	4.63	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12/31/2014	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 9/30/2014	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69
<b>One Year Ago</b> 9/30/2014	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69



Intensity:

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

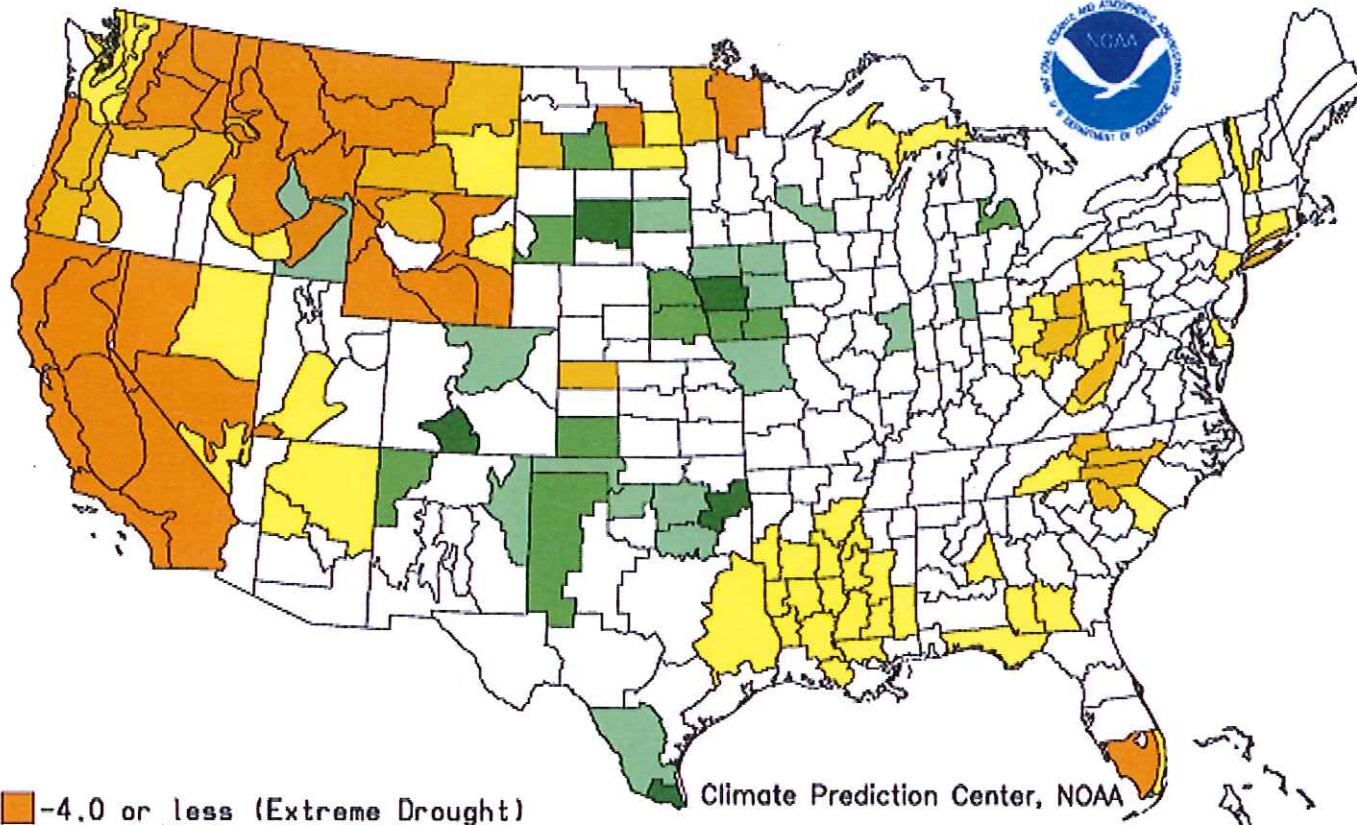
*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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Drought Severity Index by Division  
Weekly Value for Period Ending SEP 26, 2015  
Long Term Palmer

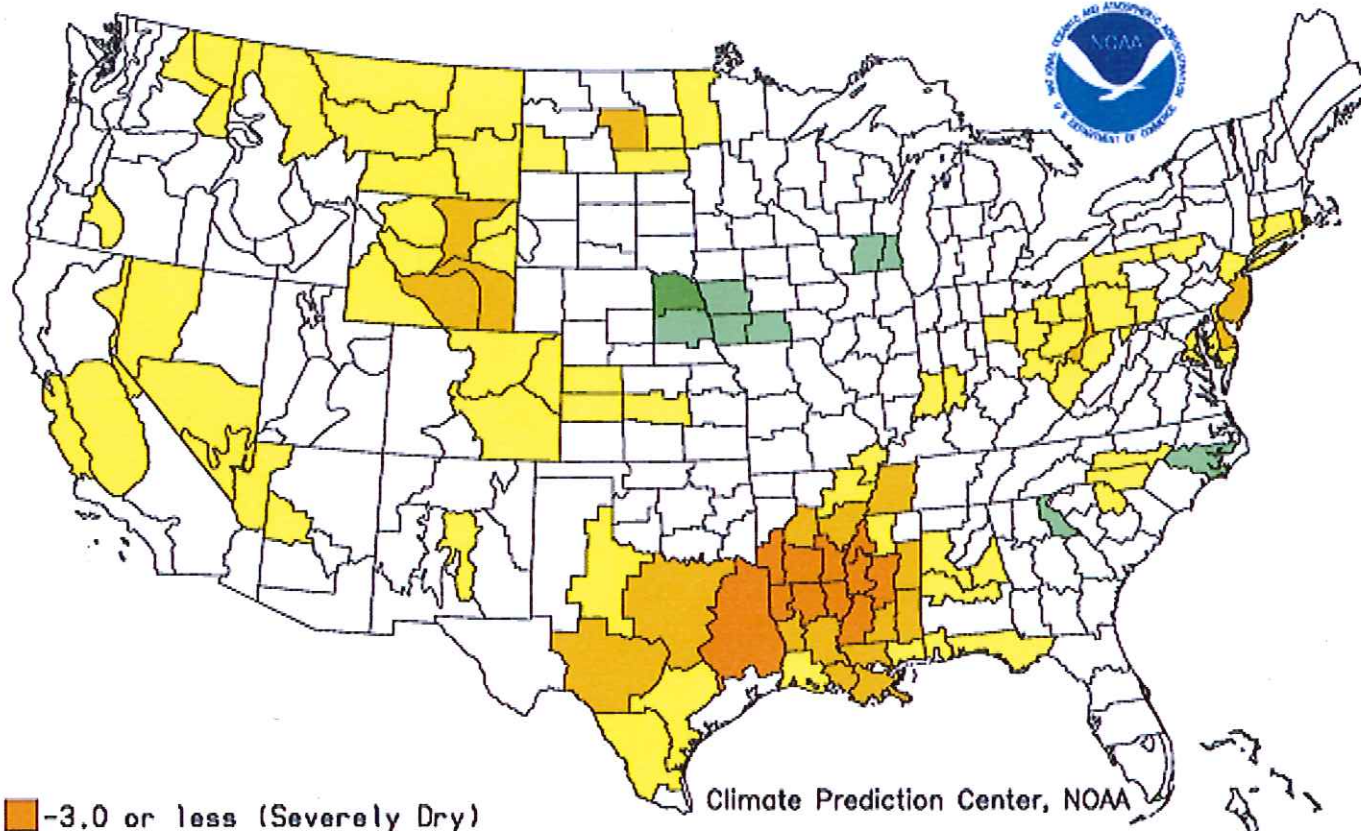


- -4.0 or less (Extreme Drought)
- -3.0 to -3.9 (Severe Drought)
- -2.0 to -2.9 (Moderate Drought)
- -1.9 to +1.9 (Near Normal)

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- +2.0 to +2.9 (Unusual Moist Spell)
- +3.0 to +3.9 (Very Moist Spell)
- +4.0 and above (Extremely Moist)

Crop Moisture Index by Division  
Weekly Value for Period Ending SEP 26, 2015  
Short Term Need vs. Available Water in a Shallow Soil Profile

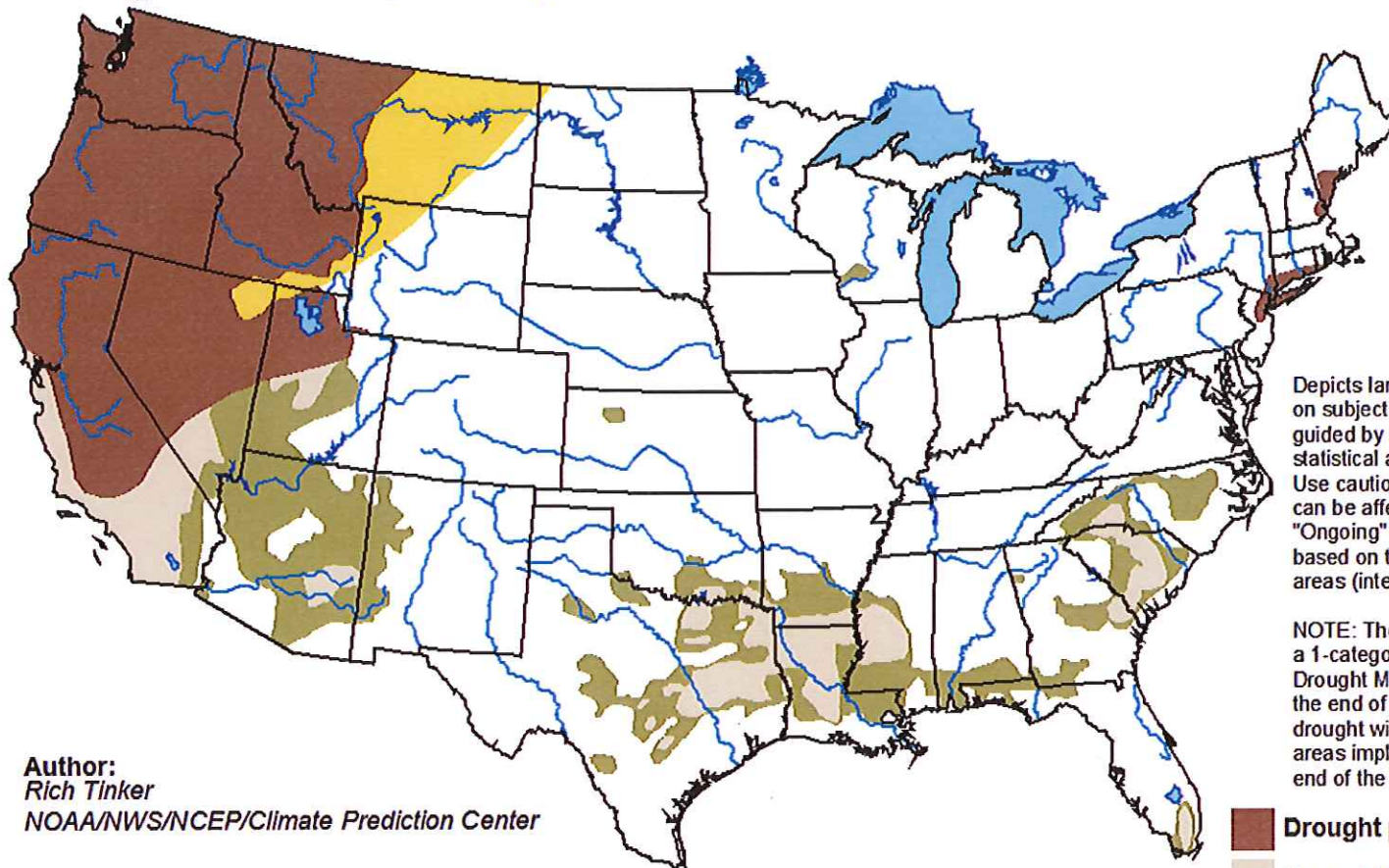


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|---|----------------------------------|
| -3.0 or less (Severely Dry)                 | +1.0 to +1.9 (Abnormally Moist)  |
| -2.0 to -2.9 (Excessively Dry)              | +2.0 to +2.9 (Wet)               |
| -1.0 to -1.9 (Abnormally Dry)         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

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# U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook valid for September 17 - December 31, 2015

## Drought Tendency During the Valid Period Released September 17, 2015

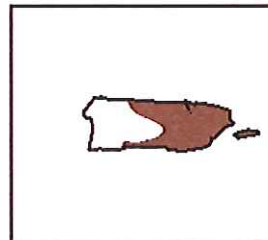
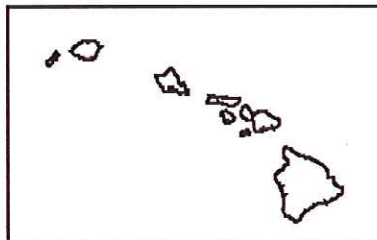
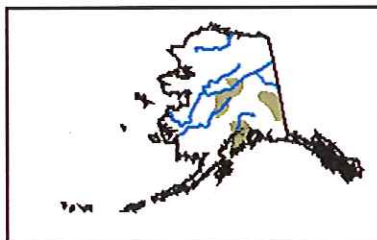


Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to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