Basin Conditions
Update

Water Operations Committee Meeting

Aug. 20, 2024





#### **U.S.** Drought Monitor **Texas**

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



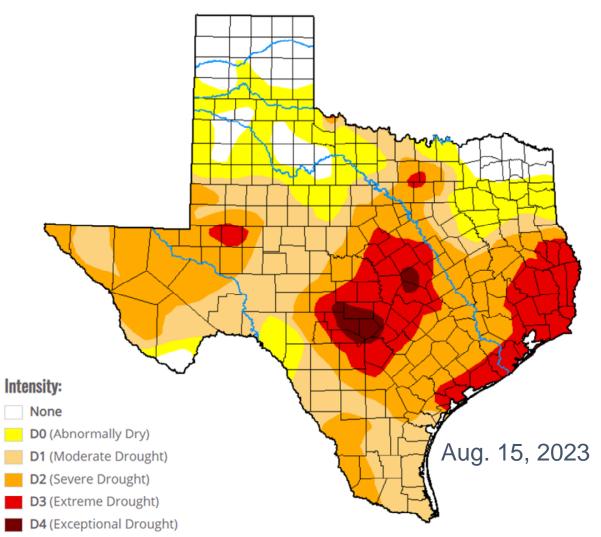
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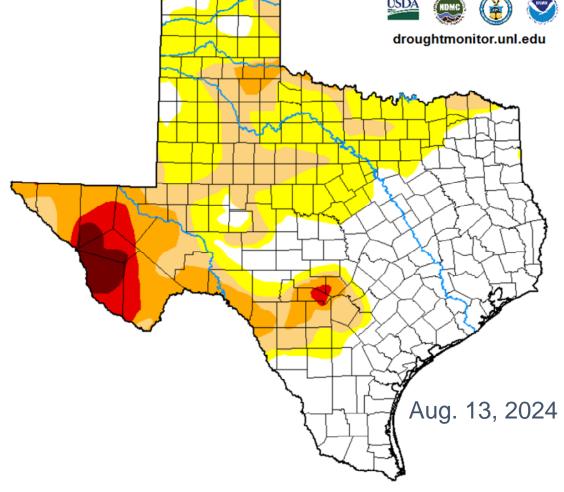












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### Lower Colorado **River Basin**

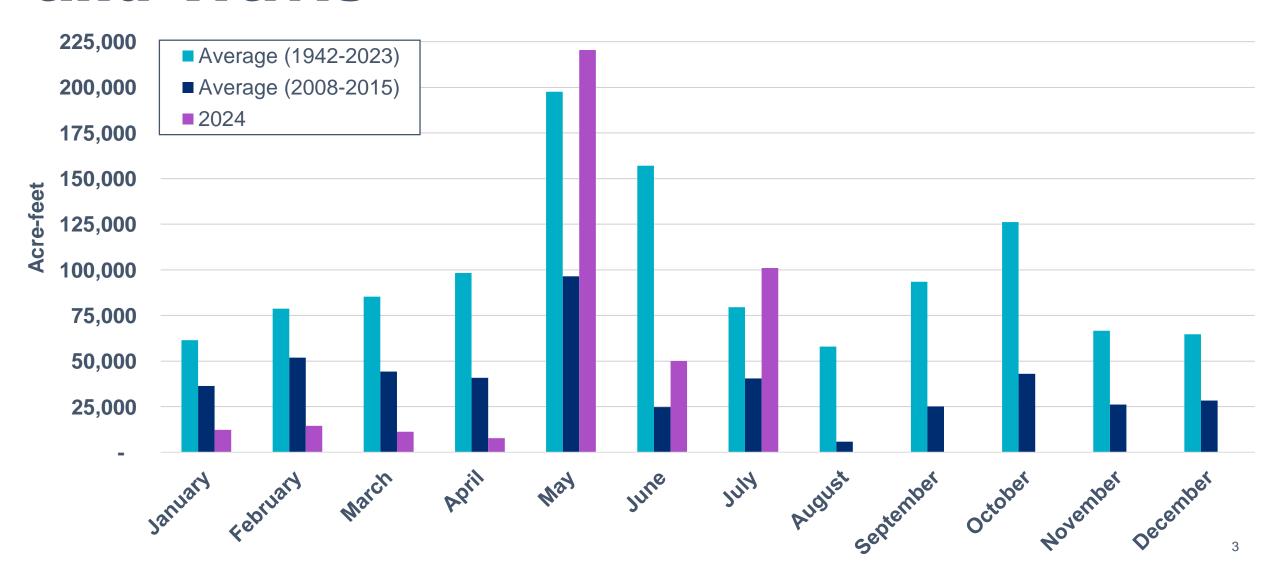
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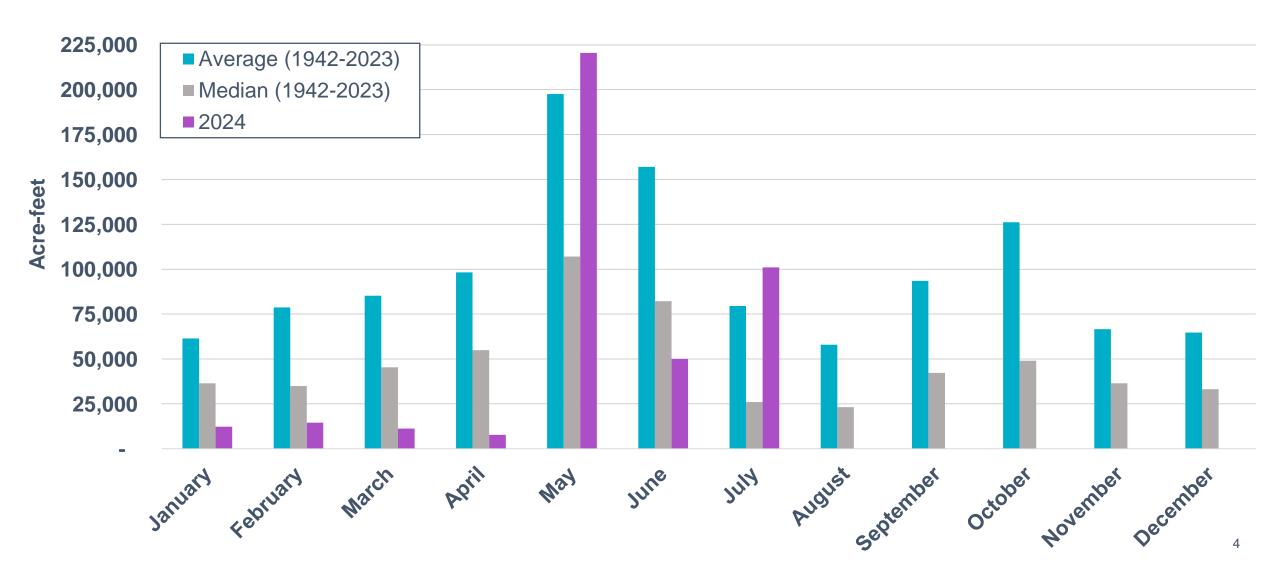
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## Water Flowing Into Lakes Buchanan and Travis

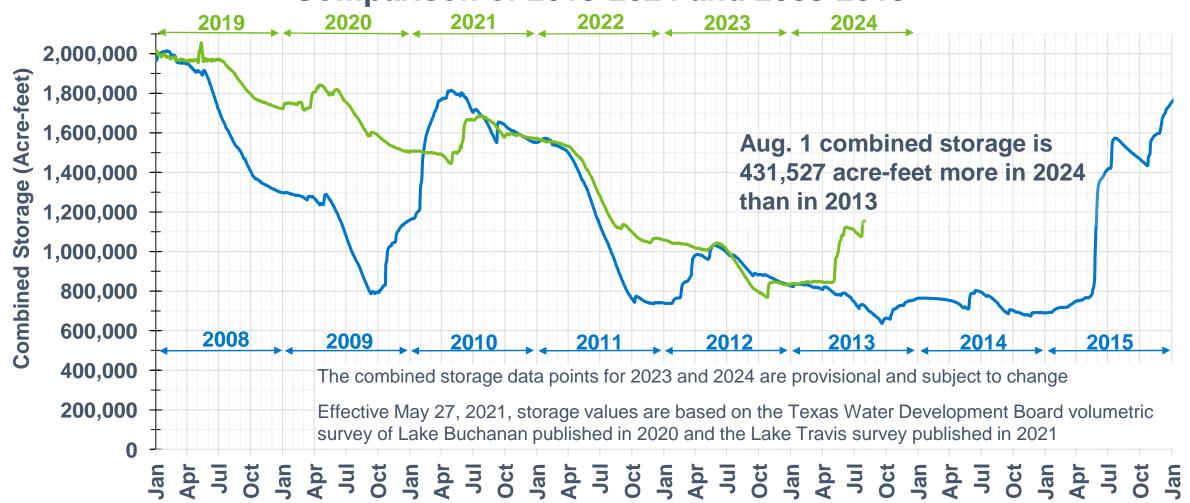


# Water Flowing Into Lakes Buchanan and Travis – Median



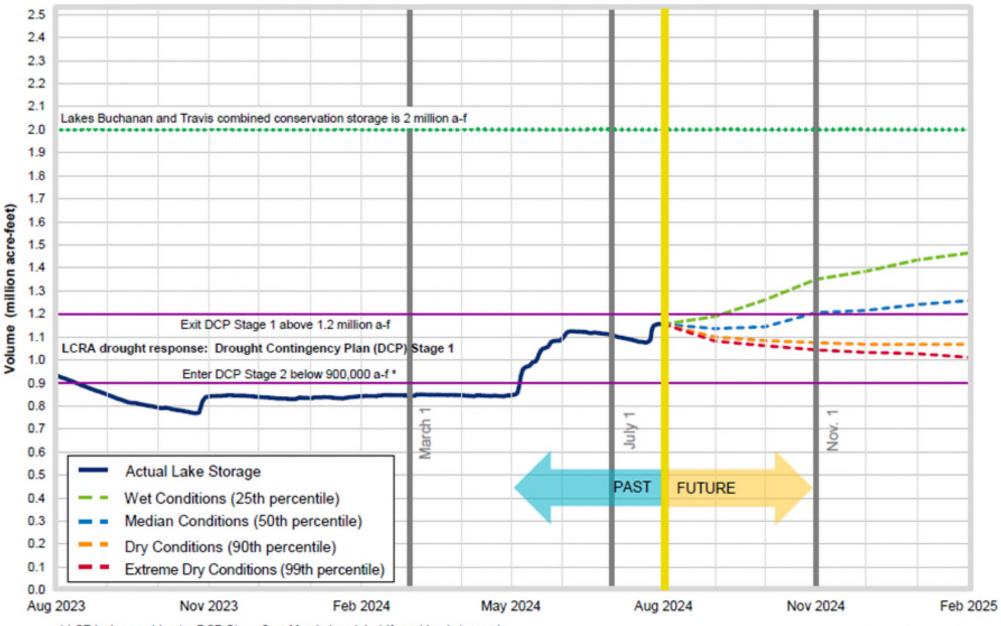
### Combined Storage of Lakes Buchanan and Travis

Comparison of 2019-2024 and 2008-2015



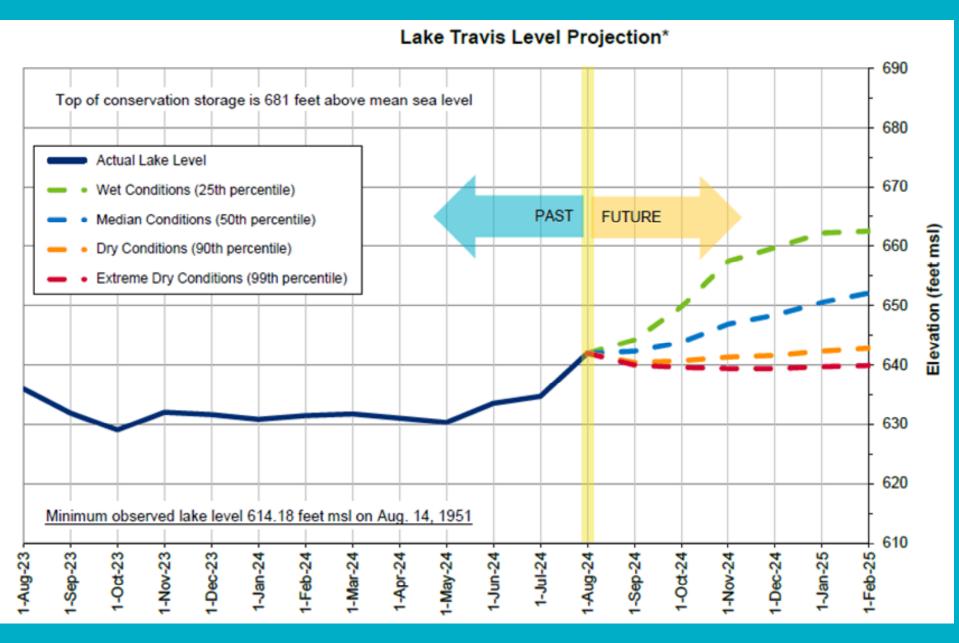
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#### Lakes Buchanan and Travis Total Combined Storage Projections



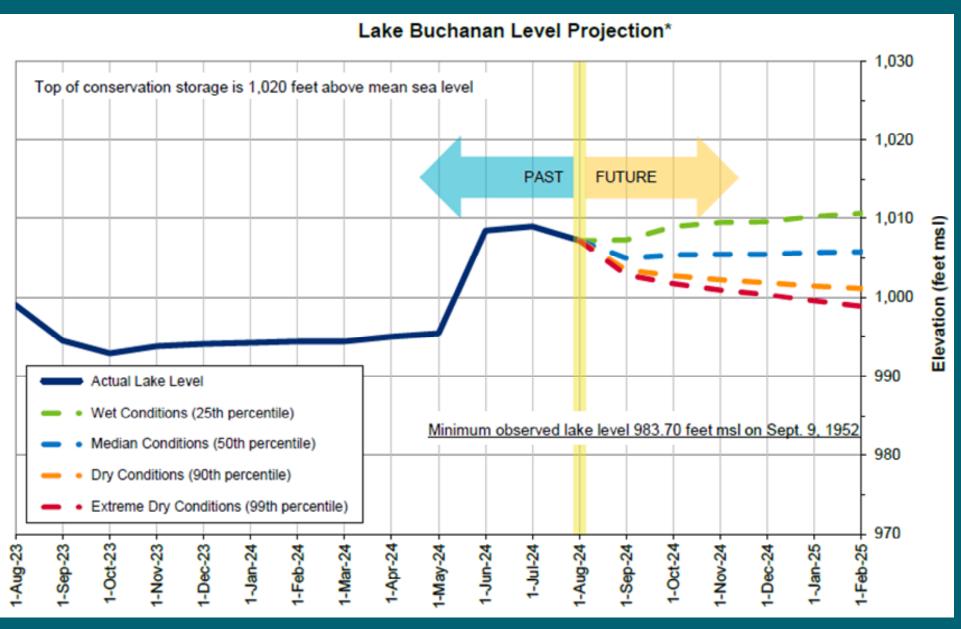
<sup>\*</sup> LCRA also would enter DCP Stage 2 on March 1 or July 1 if combined storage is below 1.1 million a-f and the prior three-month inflows total is less than the 25th percentile of historic inflows for that three-month period

Date: August 1, 2024 Note: One acre-foot equals 325,851 gallons



**Average for August:** 663.80 feet msl

Historic low (1951): 614.18 feet msl



Average for August: 1,010.79 feet msl

Historic low (1952): 983.70 feet msl





\*For purposes of the 2020 Water Management Plan, the combined storage is defined as the total of the daily average volume of water in lakes Buchanan and Travis. This determination excludes any water in Lake Buchanan above elevation 1,018 feet msl in the months of May through October or above 1,020 feet msl in the months of November through April and any water in Lake Travis above elevation 681 feet msl.

