

DROUGHT CONDITIONS

IN CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

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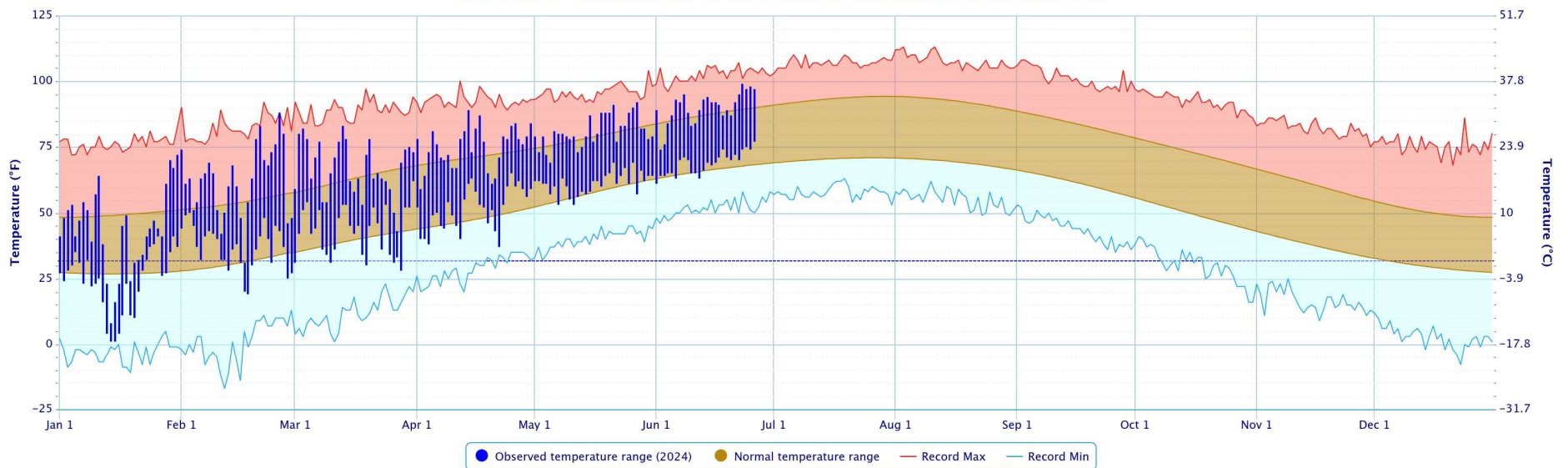
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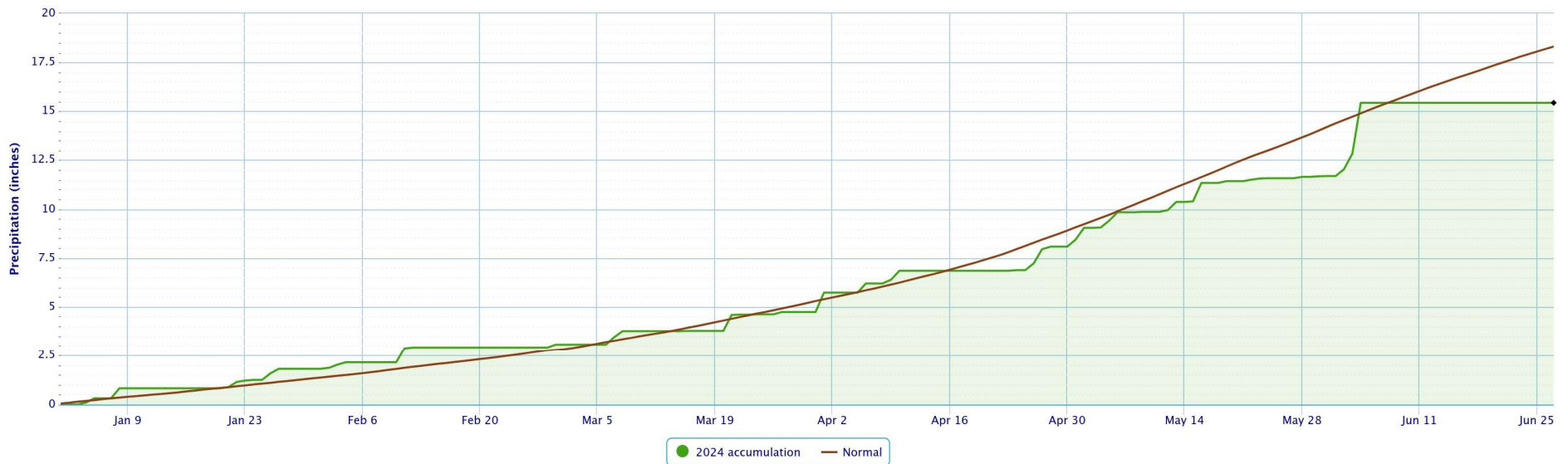
TEMPERATURE PLOT FOR OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA FOR 2024



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PRECIPITATION PLOT FOR OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA FOR 2024



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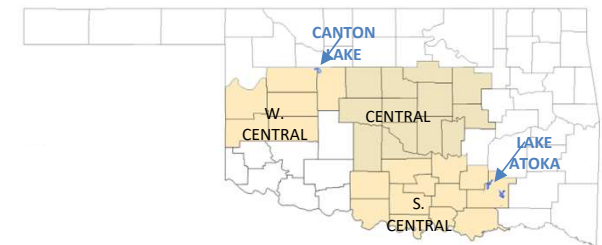
RAINFALL SUMMARIES BY OKLAHOMA CLIMATE DIVISION



Calendar Year		01-Jan-2024 through 26-Jun-2024				
Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	10.01"	-4.51"	69%	16th driest	4.18" (2011)	25.45" (1957)
Central	17.43"	-1.76"	91%	51st driest	8.23" (1936)	33.82" (1957)
S. Central	24.49"	+3.31"	116%	20th wettest	9.80" (1963)	41.81" (2015)
Statewide	17.96"	-0.56"	97%	49th wettest	8.85" (1936)	32.32" (1957)

Water Year		01-Oct-2023 through 26-Jun-2024				
Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	16.80"	-3.26"	84%	39th driest	8.72" (2010-11)	33.92" (2018-19)
Central	24.93"	-2.37"	91%	51st wettest	14.09" (1995-96)	42.19" (1984-85)
S. Central	35.27"	+4.40"	114%	19th wettest	13.18" (1924-25)	50.64" (2014-15)
Statewide	25.95"	-0.65"	98%	42nd wettest	13.91" (1955-56)	38.38" (2018-19)

Summer		June 01 through 26-Jun-2024				
Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	1.17"	-2.54"	31%	9th driest	0.11" (1933)	8.52" (1962)
Central	2.67"	-1.71"	61%	32nd driest	0.34" (1933)	8.85" (2007)
S. Central	3.91"	-0.40"	91%	43rd wettest	0.11" (2011)	9.10" (2015)
Statewide	3.09"	-0.94"	77%	42nd driest	0.36" (1933)	7.46" (1989)



The climate divisions shown include statewide totals, central Oklahoma totals, and totals for the two divisions which have Canton Lake and Lake Atoka—major water sources for central Oklahoma.

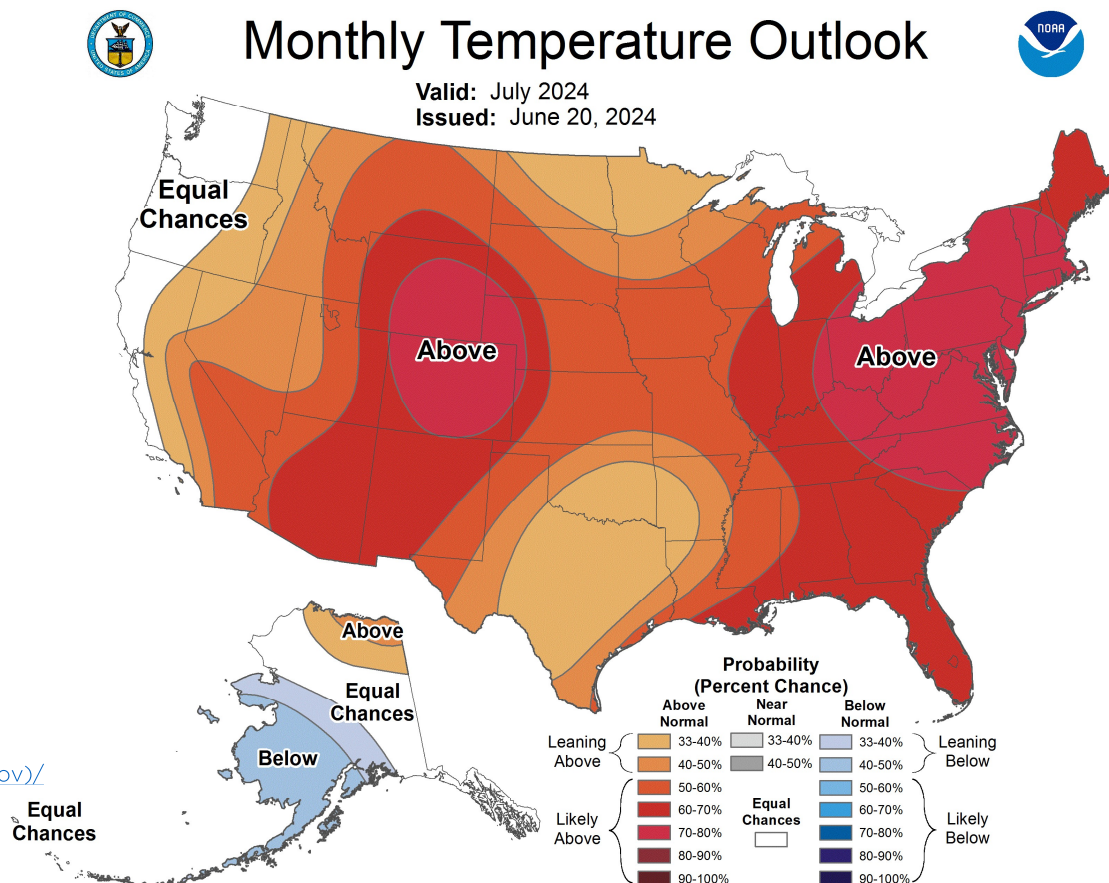
NOAA ONE-MONTH TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK



White areas are shown as EC (Equal Chance) on these maps represent areas where there are no strong climate signals from the climate tools to have skill in preferring one category over another.

That doesn't mean that there are equal chances of each of the categories occurring - it means that currently there is no skill in identifying the most likely category. In these areas, it is best to be prepared for all possibilities.

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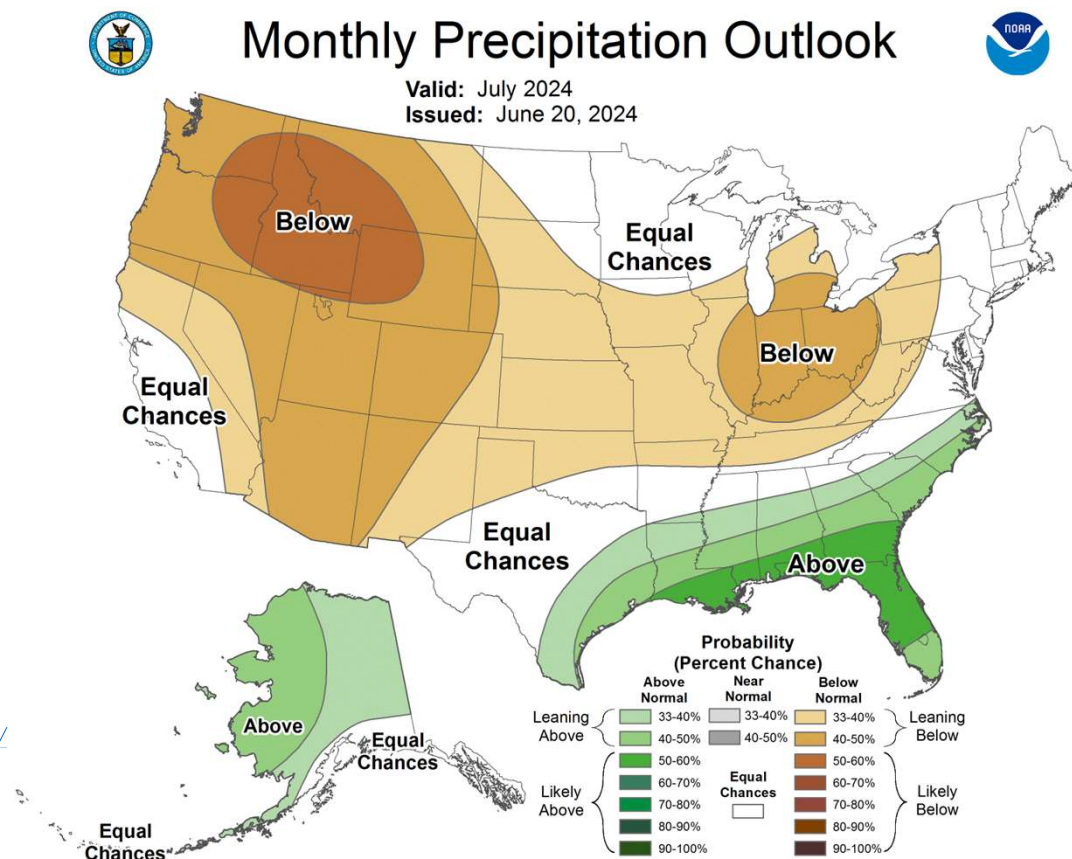
NOAA ONE-MONTH PRECIPITATION OUTLOOK



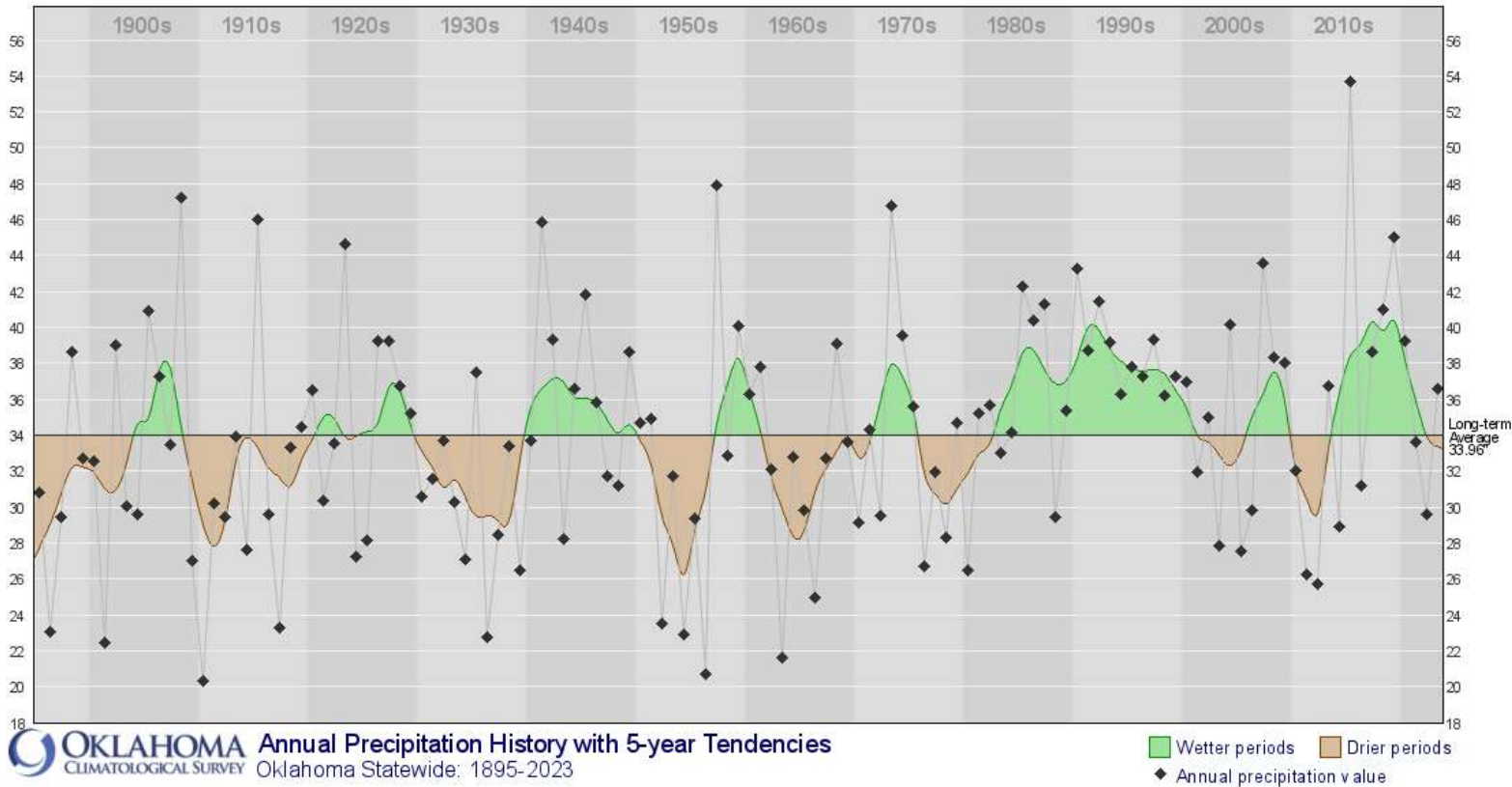
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Annual Precipitation History with 5-Year Tendencies



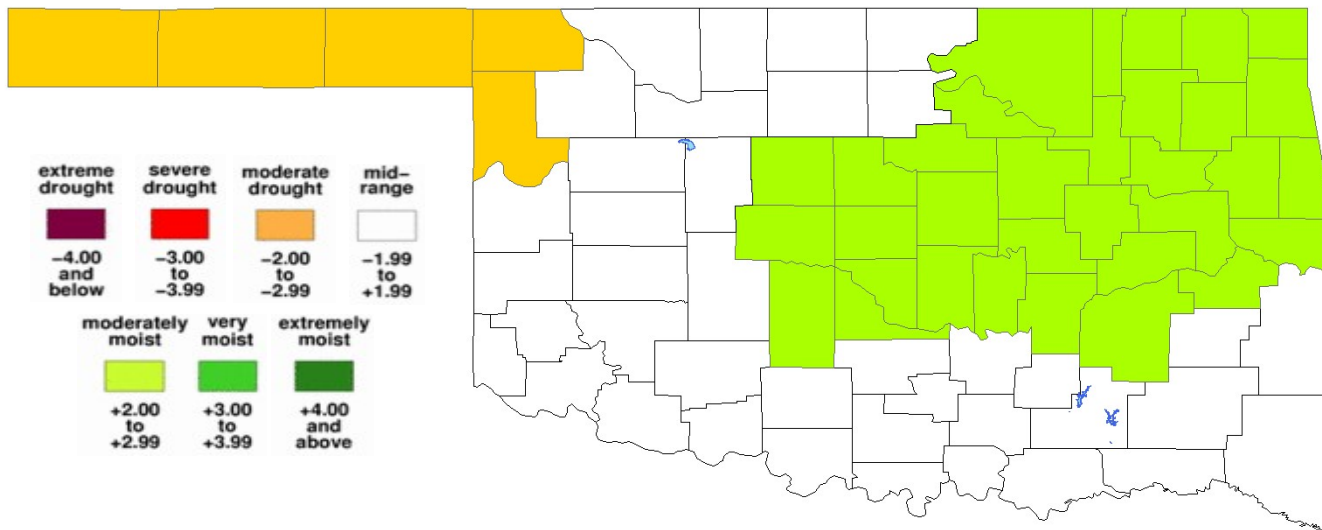
This graph shows the cyclical nature of wet and drought periods in Oklahoma. The black dots represent the annual precipitation for that particular year. The line represents the annual precipitation data smoothed over five years.

This smoothed line shows well the wet periods (shaded green) and the drought periods (shaded brown). The drought cycles appear to average about five to eight years in length.

OKLAHOMA CLIMATOLOGICAL SURVEY Annual Precipitation History with 5-year Tendencies
Oklahoma Statewide: 1895-2023

■ Wetter periods ■ Drier periods
◆ Annual precipitation value

DROUGHT SEVERITY INDEX BY CLIMATE DIVISION



The Palmer Drought Index (PDI) maps show long-term (cumulative) meteorological drought and wet conditions.

The maps show how the geographical pattern of the long-term moisture conditions has changed over the last 12 months.

On these maps, the red shading denotes drought conditions while the green shading indicates wet conditions.

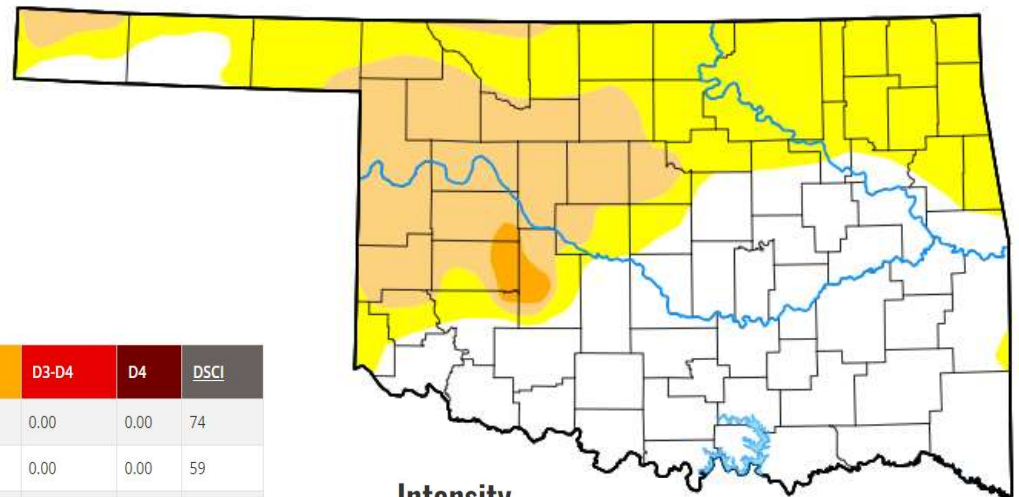
PALMER VALUE
22 JUN 2024

U.S. DROUGHT MONITOR - OKLAHOMA



June 27, 2024

Abnormal dryness or drought are currently affecting approximately 273,989 people in Oklahoma.



Intensity



Week	Date	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	DSCI
Current	2024-06-25	47.88	52.12	20.48	1.03	0.00	0.00	74
Last Week to Current	2024-06-18	62.83	37.17	20.82	1.20	0.00	0.00	59
3 Months Ago to Current	2024-03-26	66.24	33.76	8.83	0.19	0.00	0.00	43
Start of Calendar Year to Current	2023-12-26	53.62	46.38	21.64	3.08	0.00	0.00	71
Start of Water Year to Current	2023-09-26	34.29	65.71	46.76	30.93	12.91	0.00	156
One Year Ago to Current	2023-06-27	23.06	76.94	36.08	14.26	4.79	0.52	133



U.S. DROUGHT MONITOR NATIONWIDE MAP



Map released: June 27, 2024

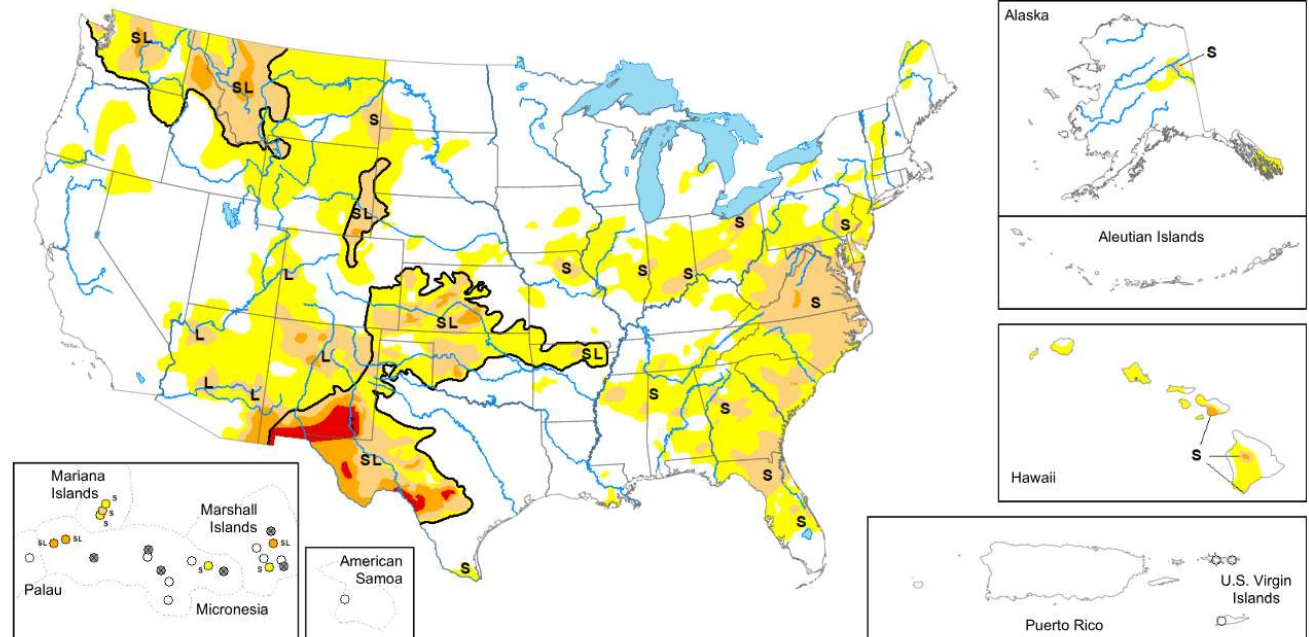
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Intensity and Impacts



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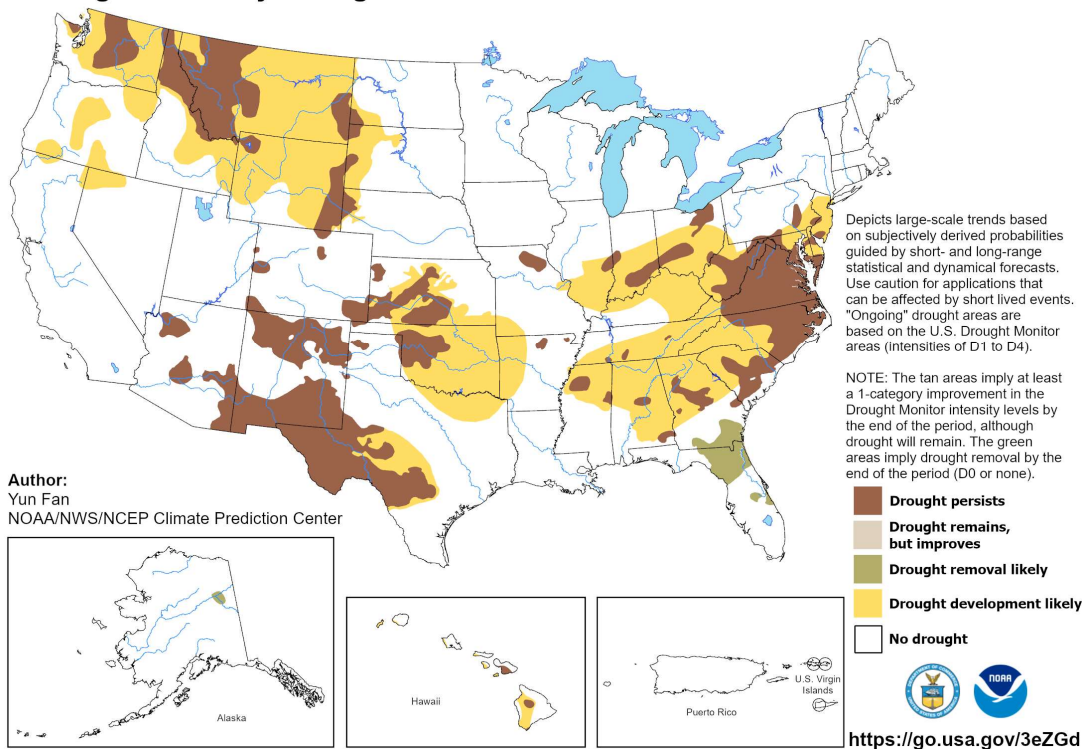


U.S. DROUGHT MONITOR MONTHLY DROUGHT OUTLOOK MAP



U.S. Monthly Drought Outlook Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for July 2024
Released June 30, 2024



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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).

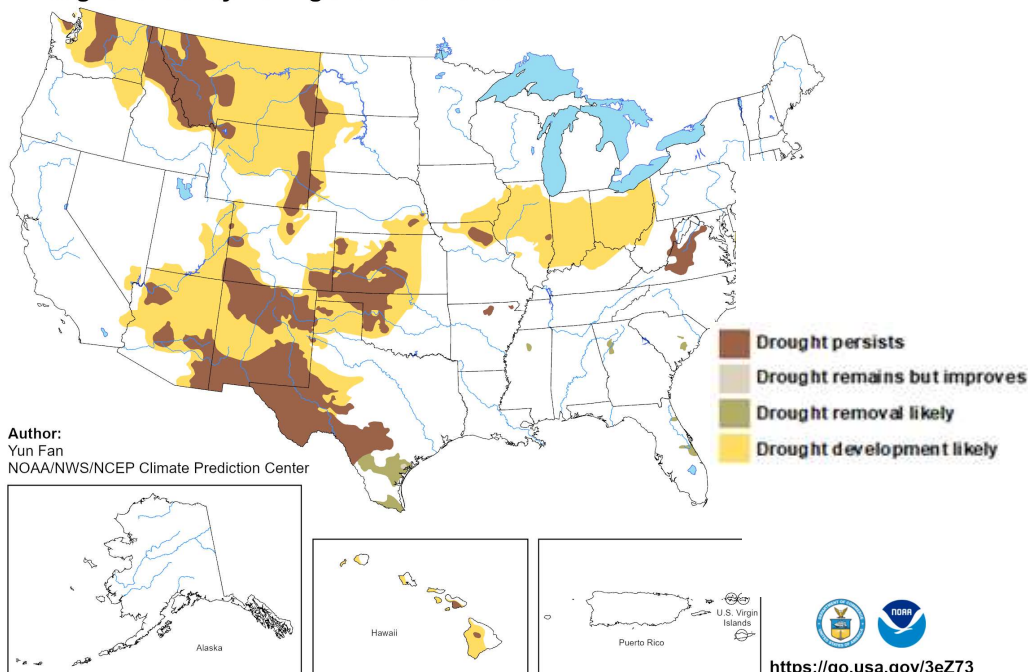
NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none).

U.S. DROUGHT MONITOR SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK MAP



U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for June 20 - September 30, 2024
Released June 20, 2024



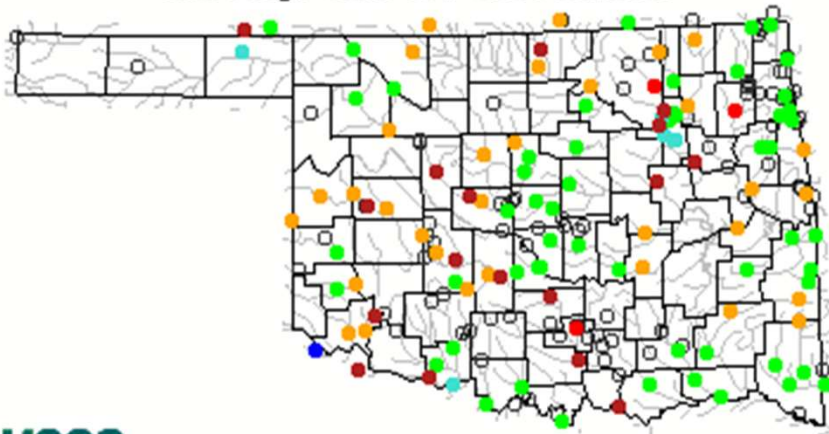
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USGS STREAMFLOW DATA

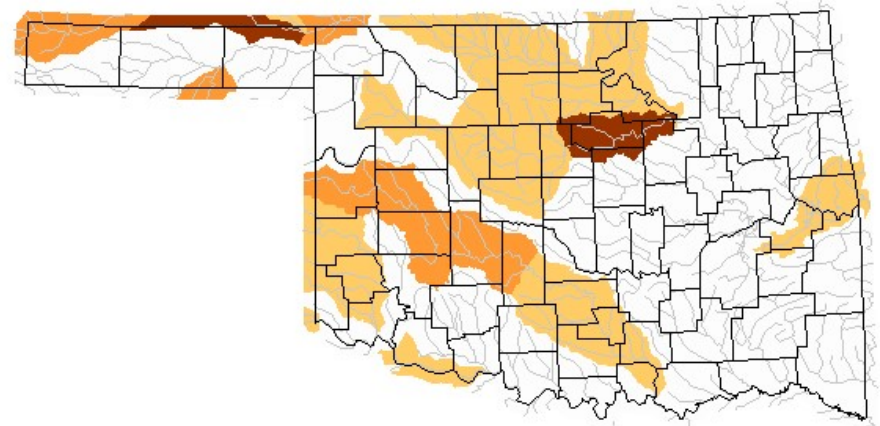


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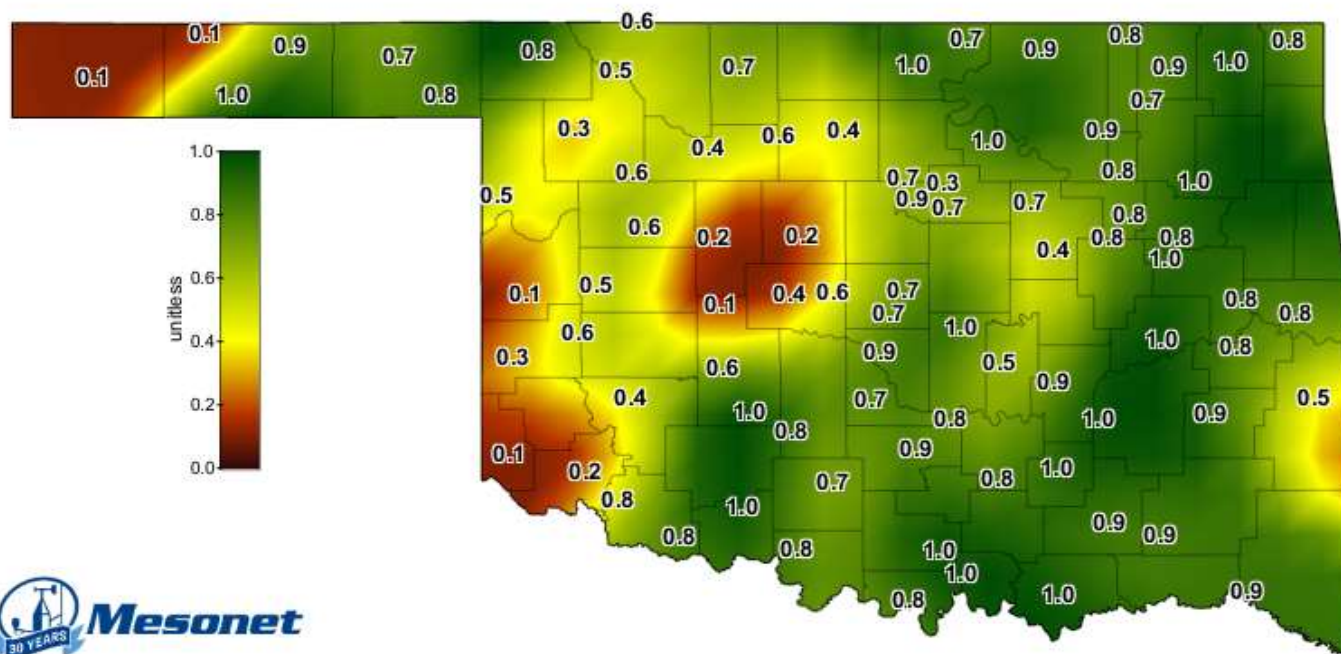
Explanation - Percentile classes							
Low	<10	10-24	25-75	76-90	>90	High	Not-ranked
	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

Below normal 28-day average streamflow



Explanation - Percentile classes				
Low	<=5	6-9	10-24	Insufficient data for a hydrologic region
Extreme hydrologic drought	Severe hydrologic drought	Moderate hydrologic drought	Below normal	

SOIL MOISTURE MAP

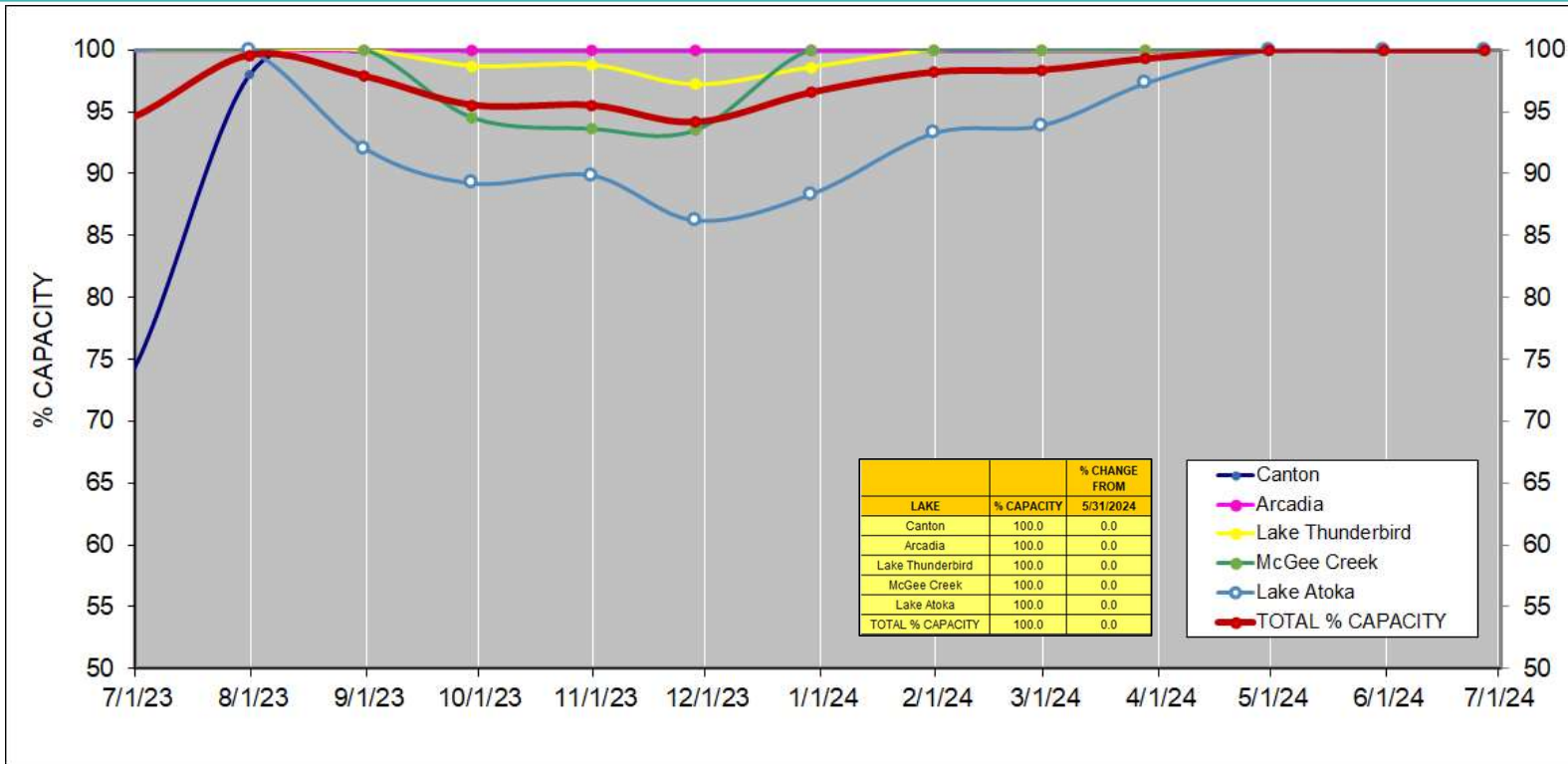


1-day Average 24-inch Fractional Water Index

June 26, 2024

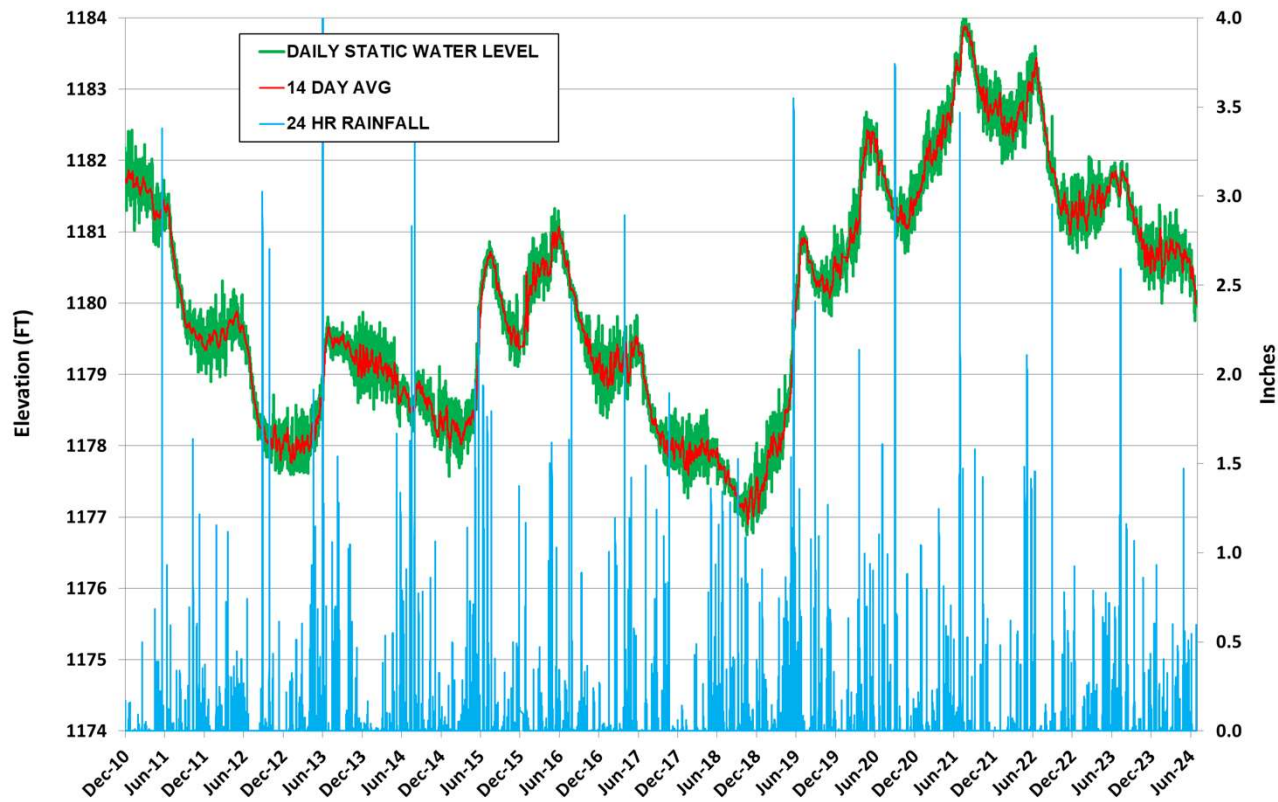
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PERCENTAGE OF SURFACE WATER CONSERVATION CAPACITY IN CENTRAL OK RESERVOIRS



Lake Hefner and Lake Overholser are terminal storage for Canton Lake. Lake Draper is terminal storage for McGee Creek and Atoka Lakes.

GROUNDWATER LEVELS SPENCER MESONET STATION



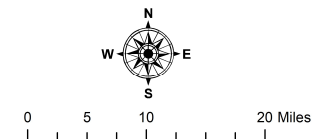
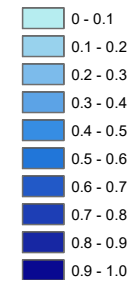
MONTHLY AQUIFER RECHARGE



- Mean aquifer recharge in June 2024 was 0.01 inches.
- Normal mean recharge for June is 0.33 inches.
- We are -0.38 inches below normal for 2024.



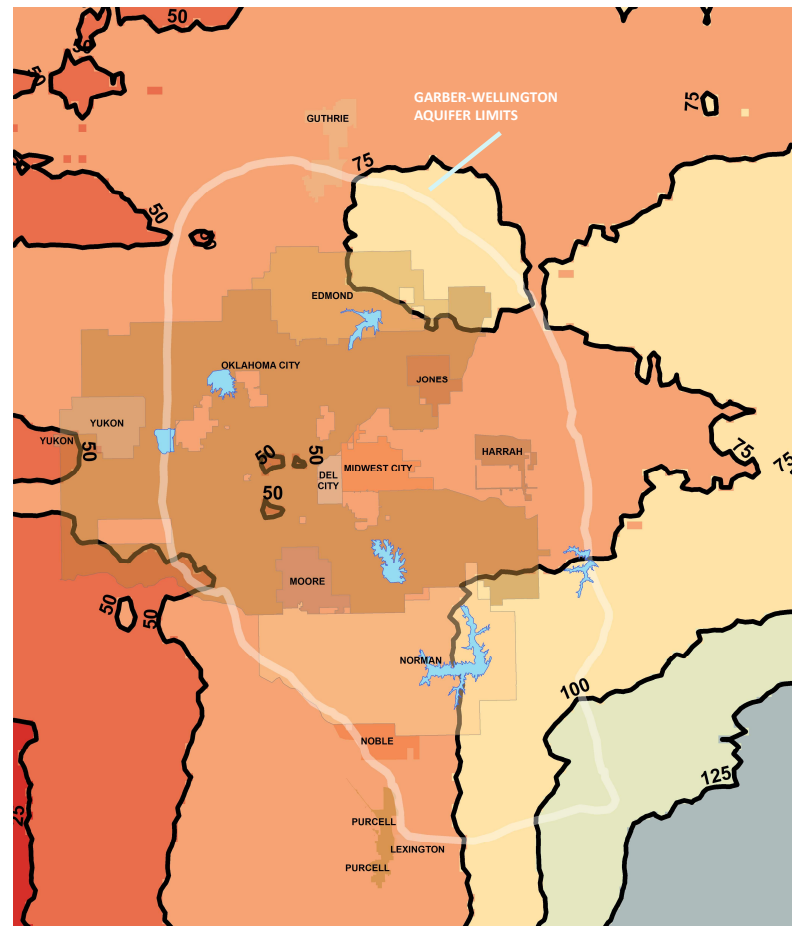
Recharge in Inches



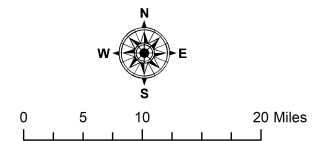
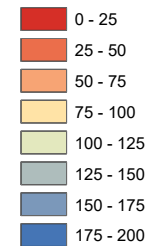
PERCENT TOTAL CUMULATIVE AQUIFER RECHARGE – Last 12 Months



- Most of the recharge in the past 12 months was south and east of the metropolitan area.
- June 2024 had essentially no recharge.
- Over the past 12 months the metropolitan area has only received 50% to 75% of normal recharge.



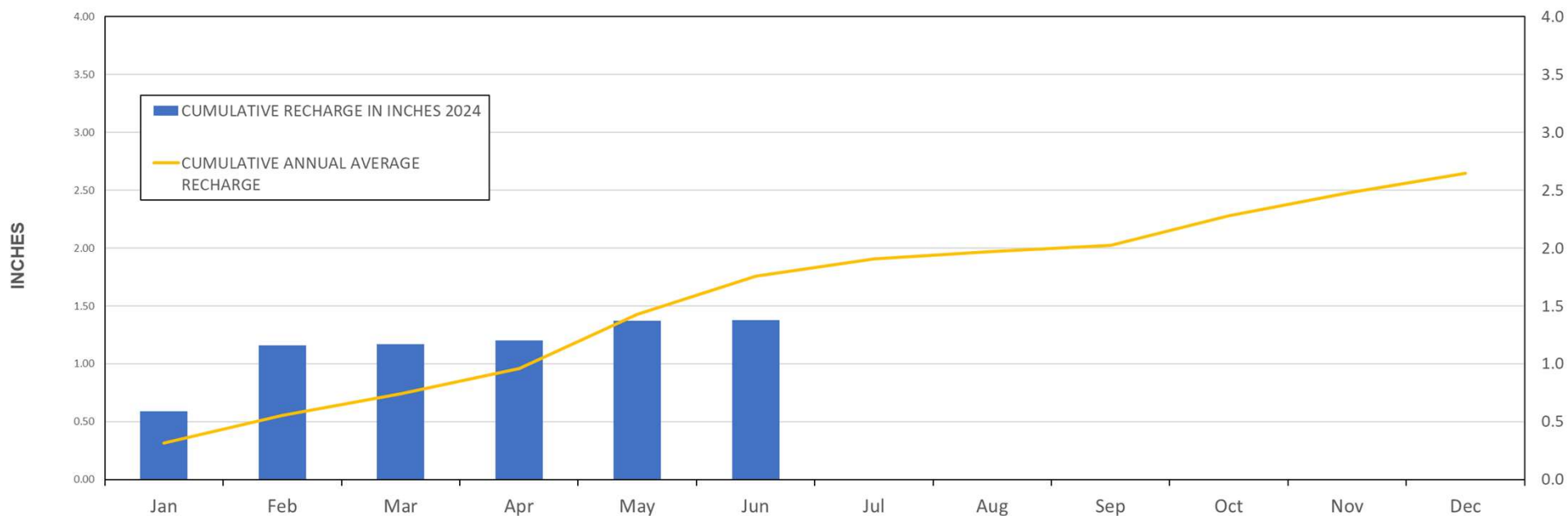
Percent of Cumulative Recharge



RECHARGE CHARTS CENTRAL OKLAHOMA AQUIFER SYSTEM



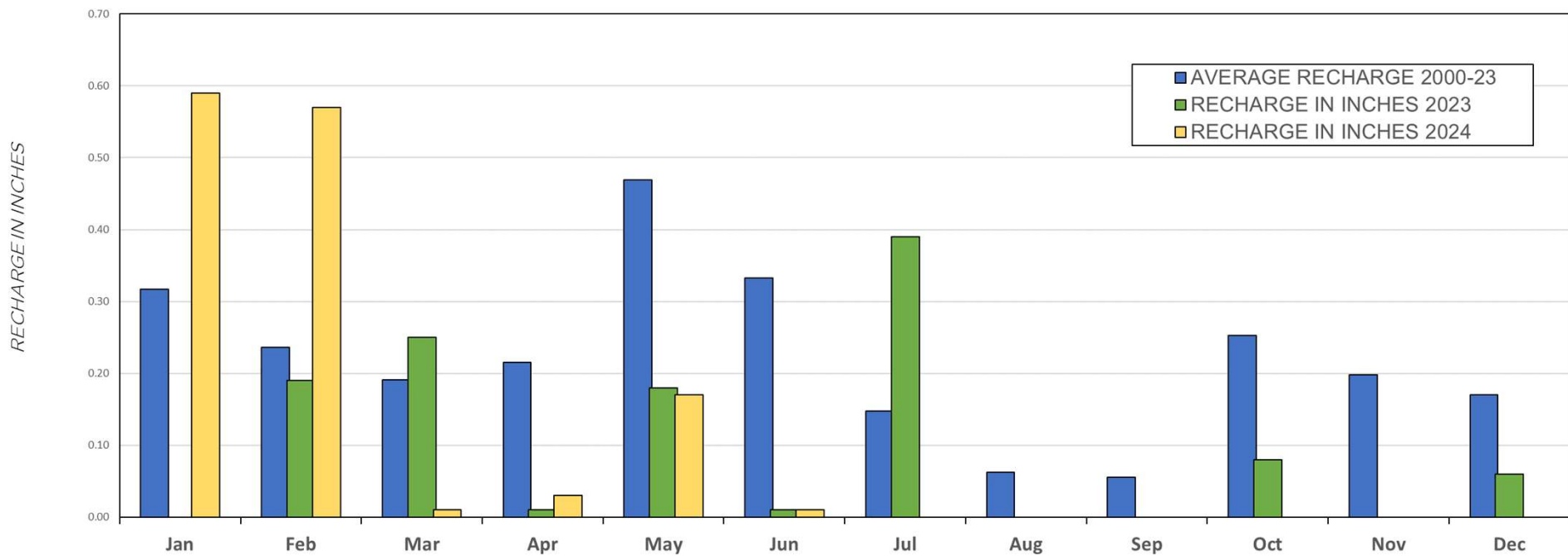
ACCUMULATED CENTRAL OKLAHOMA AQUIFER SYSTEM RECHARGE 2024



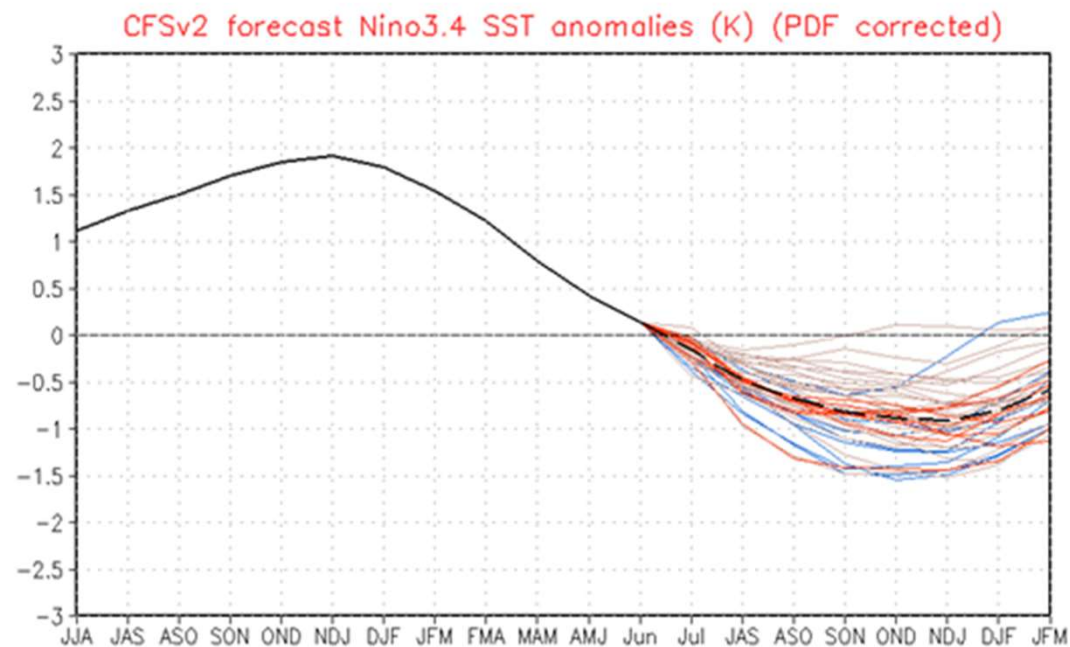
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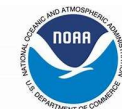
MONTHLY AQUIFER RECHARGE 2024



ENSO CYCLE - RECENT EVOLUTION, CURRENT STATUS AND PREDICTIONS



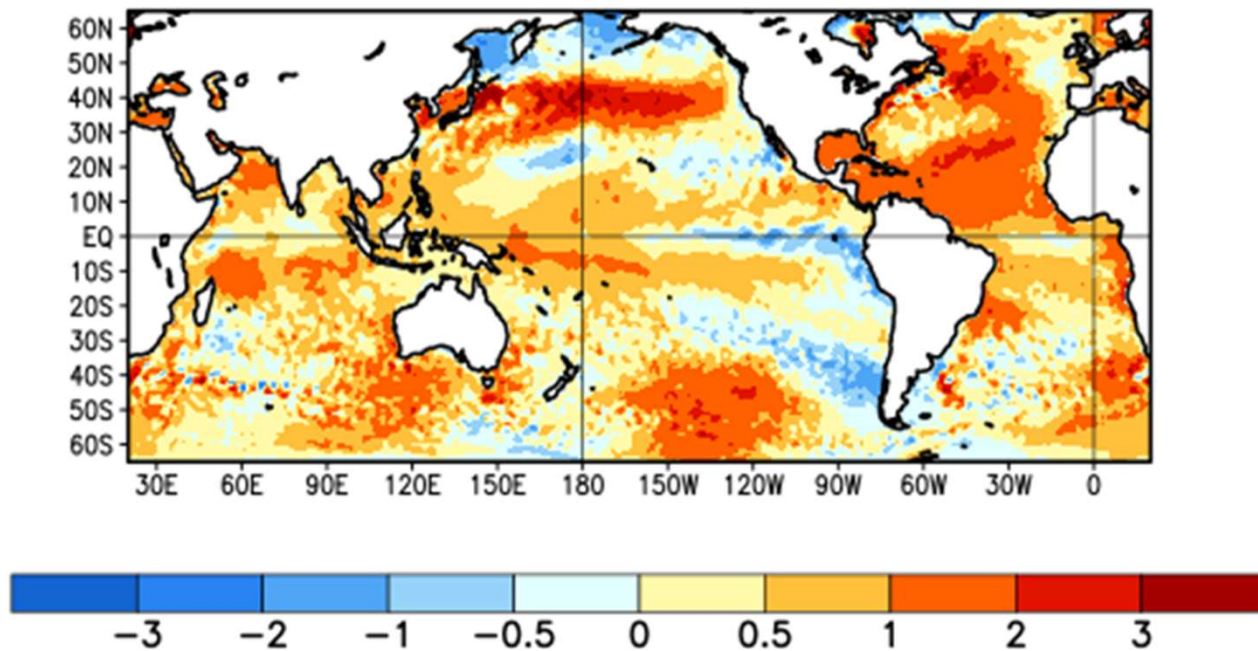
- Latest 8 forecast members
- Earliest 8 forecast members
- Other forecast members
- (Climatology base period: 1991–2020)
- Forecast ensemble mean
- NCEI OIv2.1 daily analysis



ENSO CYCLE - RECENT EVOLUTION, CURRENT STATUS AND PREDICTIONS



Average SST Anomalies
26 MAY 2024 – 22 JUN 2024



SUMMARY



ENSO ALERT SYSTEM STATUS: El Niño Advisory / La Niña Watch

- ENSO-neutral conditions are present.
- Equatorial sea surface temperatures (SSTs) are above average in the west-central Pacific Ocean, near average in the east-central Pacific Ocean, and below-average in the far eastern Pacific Ocean.
- La Niña is favored to develop during July-September (65% chance) and persist into the Northern Hemisphere winter 2024-25 (85% chance during November-January).



QUESTIONS?

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