



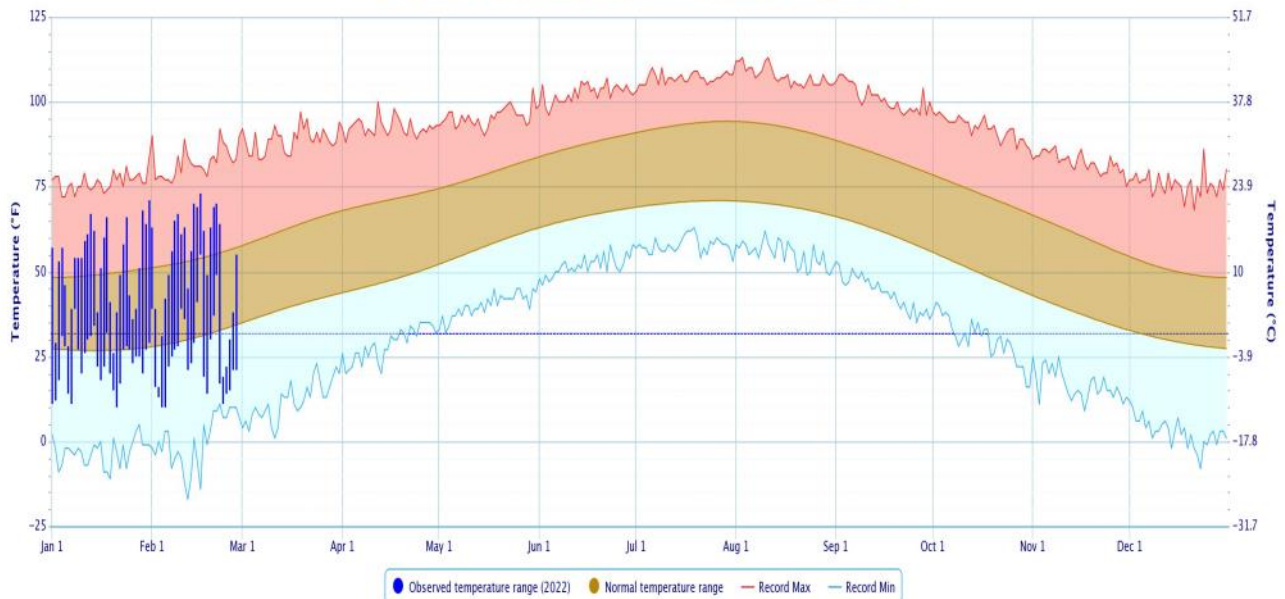
Drought Conditions in Central Oklahoma

**Water Resources Division
Association of Central Oklahoma Governments
March 01, 2022**

Temperature and Precipitation Plot for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for 2022

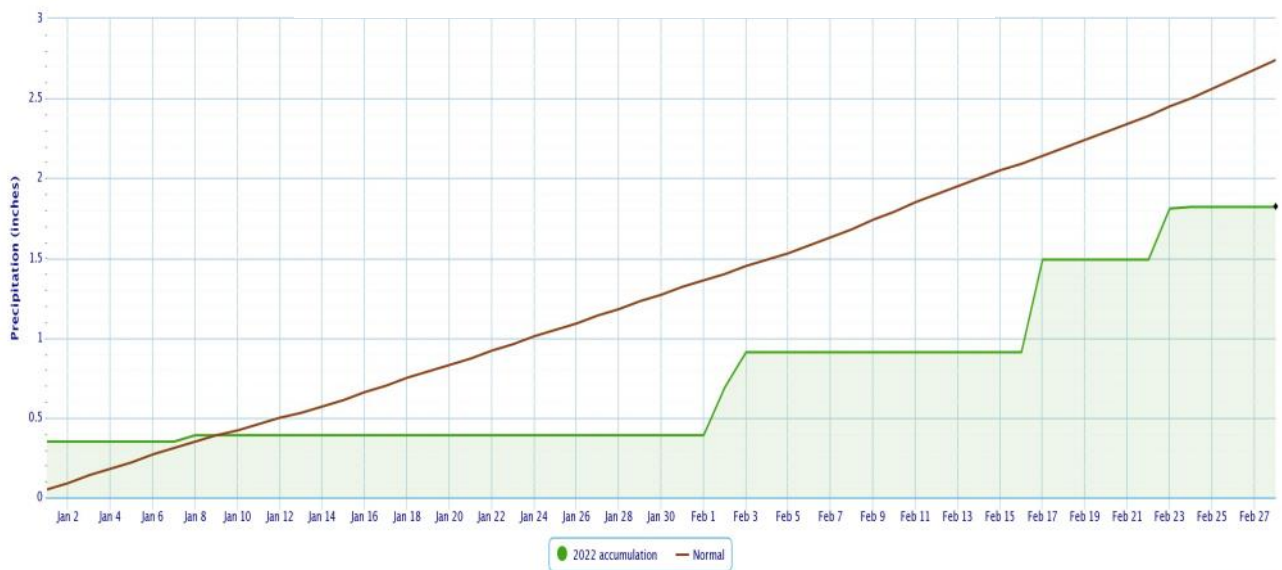
Daily Temperature Data - Oklahoma City Area, OK

Period of Record - 1890-11-01 to 2022-02-27, Normals period: 1991-2020. Click and drag to zoom chart.

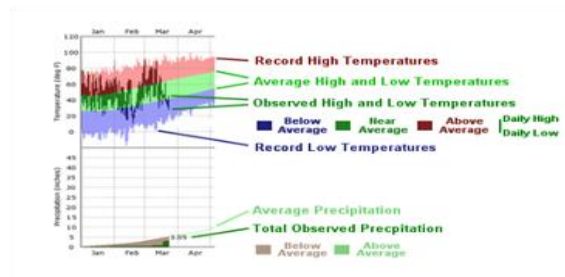


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Accumulated Precipitation—Oklahoma City Area, OK



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Rainfall Summaries by Oklahoma Climate Division

Calendar Year 01-Jan-2021 through

27-Feb-2022

Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	0.94"	-1.08"	46%	30th driest	0.13" (1970)	5.04" (1949)
Central	2.05"	-1.11"	65%	34th driest	0.40" (1963)	7.74" (1949)
S. Central	2.53"	-1.71"	60%	28th driest	0.44" (1963)	11.02" (1932)
Statewide	2.09"	-1.22"	63%	28th driest	0.59" (1976)	7.56" (1949)

Water Year: 01-Oct-2021 through

27-Feb-2022

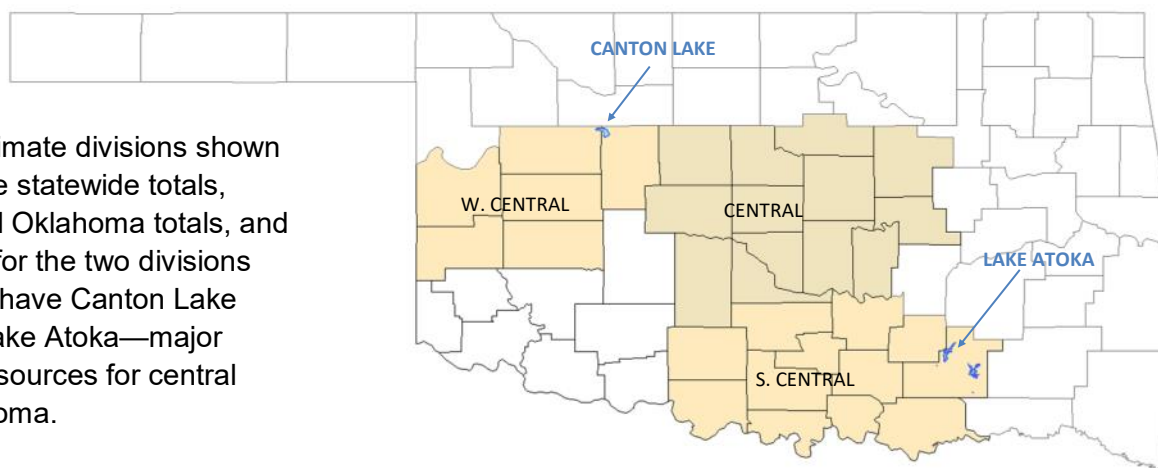
Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	3.26"	-4.30"	43%	10th driest	1.47" (1966-67)	15.79" (1986-87)
Central	7.56"	-3.71"	67%	30th driest	3.00" (1921-22)	22.08" (1984-85)
S. Central	7.73"	-6.20"	55%	14th driest	3.74" (1966-67)	25.67" (2000-01)
Statewide	7.64"	-3.75"	67%	23rd driest	3.56" (1966-67)	18.93" (1984-85)

Winter Dec 01 through

27-Feb-2022

Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	0.94"	-2.30"	29%	12th driest	0.54" (2005-06)	7.90" (1959-60)
Central	2.48"	-2.67"	48%	12th driest	0.90" (2005-06)	14.01" (1984-85)
S. Central	3.67"	-3.17"	54%	16th driest	1.99" (1966-67)	13.14" (1937-38)
Statewide	3.07"	-2.31"	57%	17th driest	1.51" (2005-06)	10.38" (1984-85)

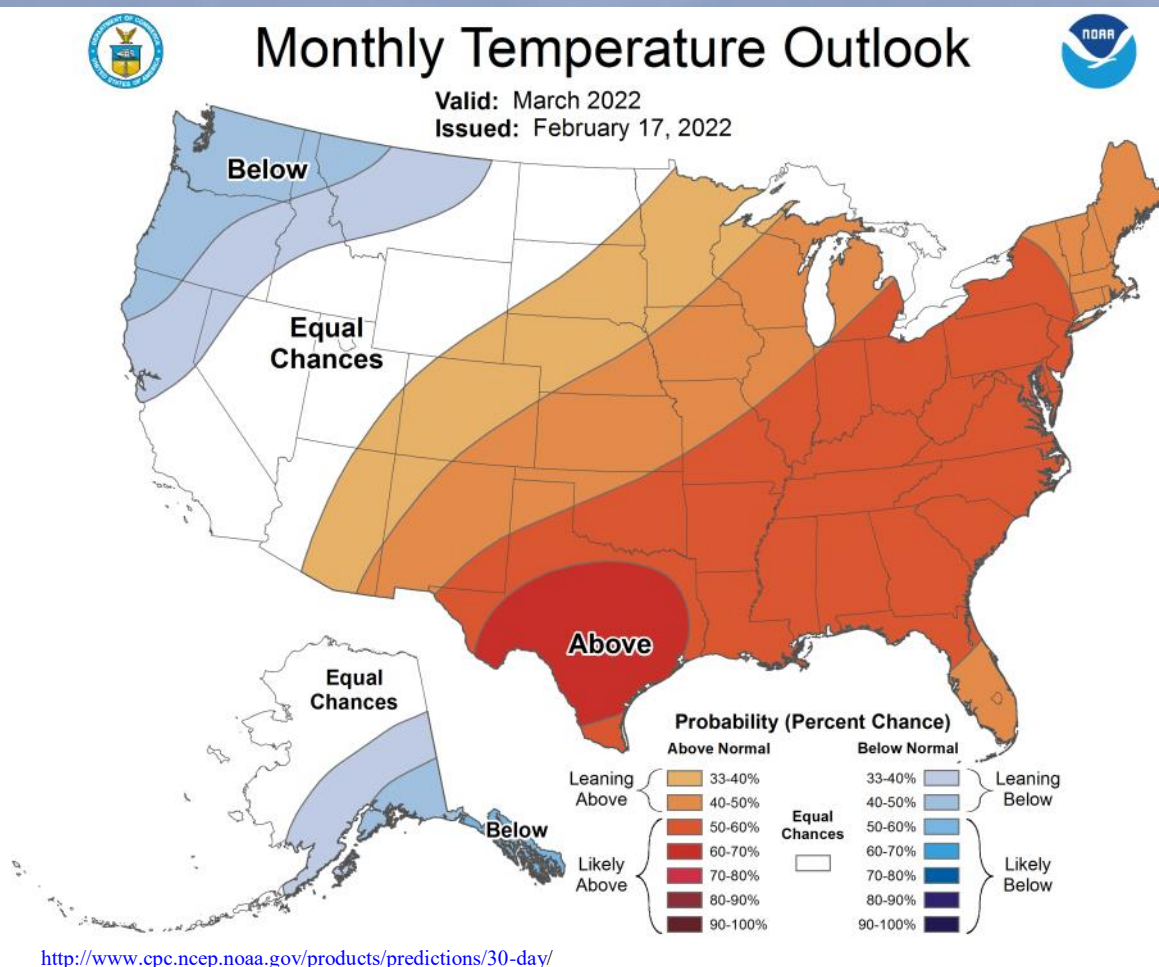
The climate divisions shown include statewide totals, central Oklahoma totals, and totals for the two divisions which have Canton Lake and Lake Atoka—major water sources for central Oklahoma.



http://climate.ok.gov/index.php/drought/last_30_days/

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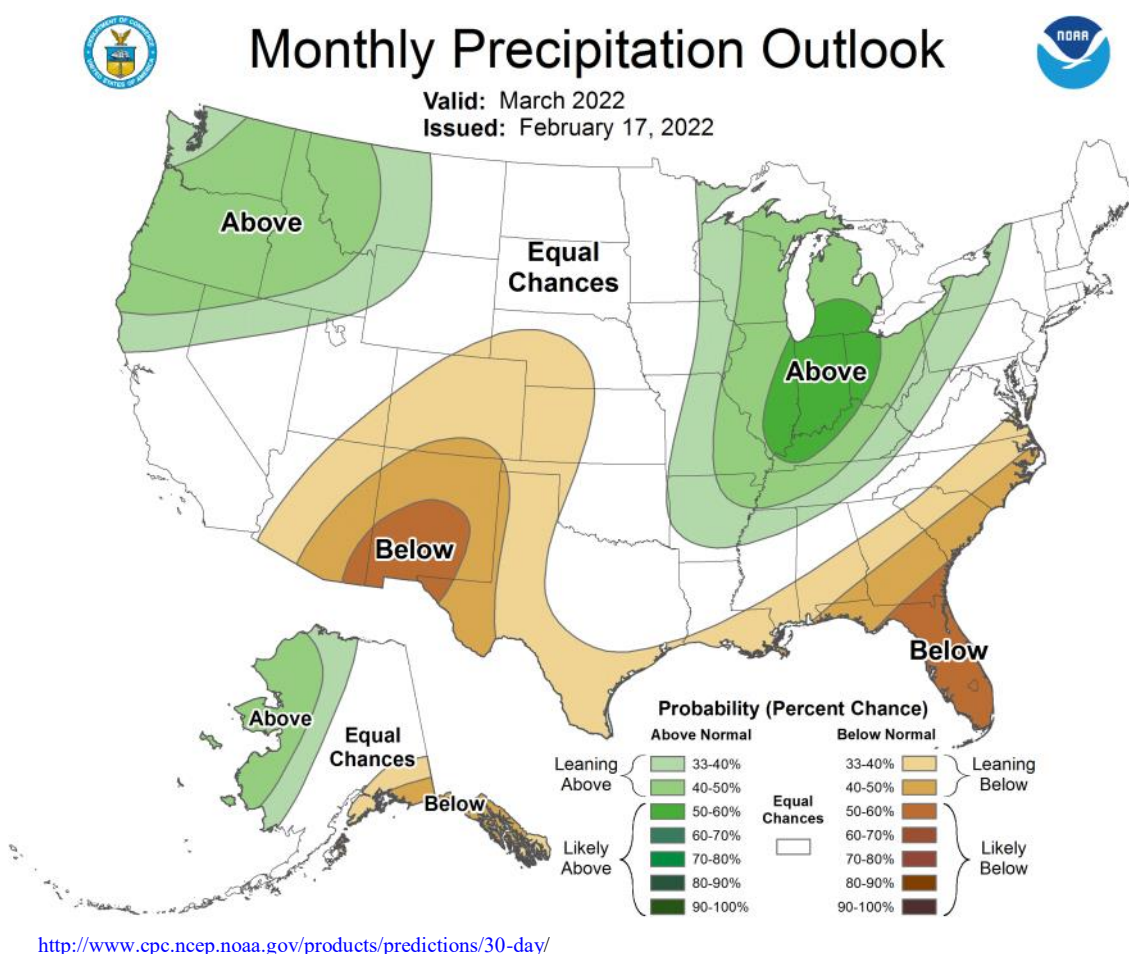
NOAA One-Month Outlook



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.

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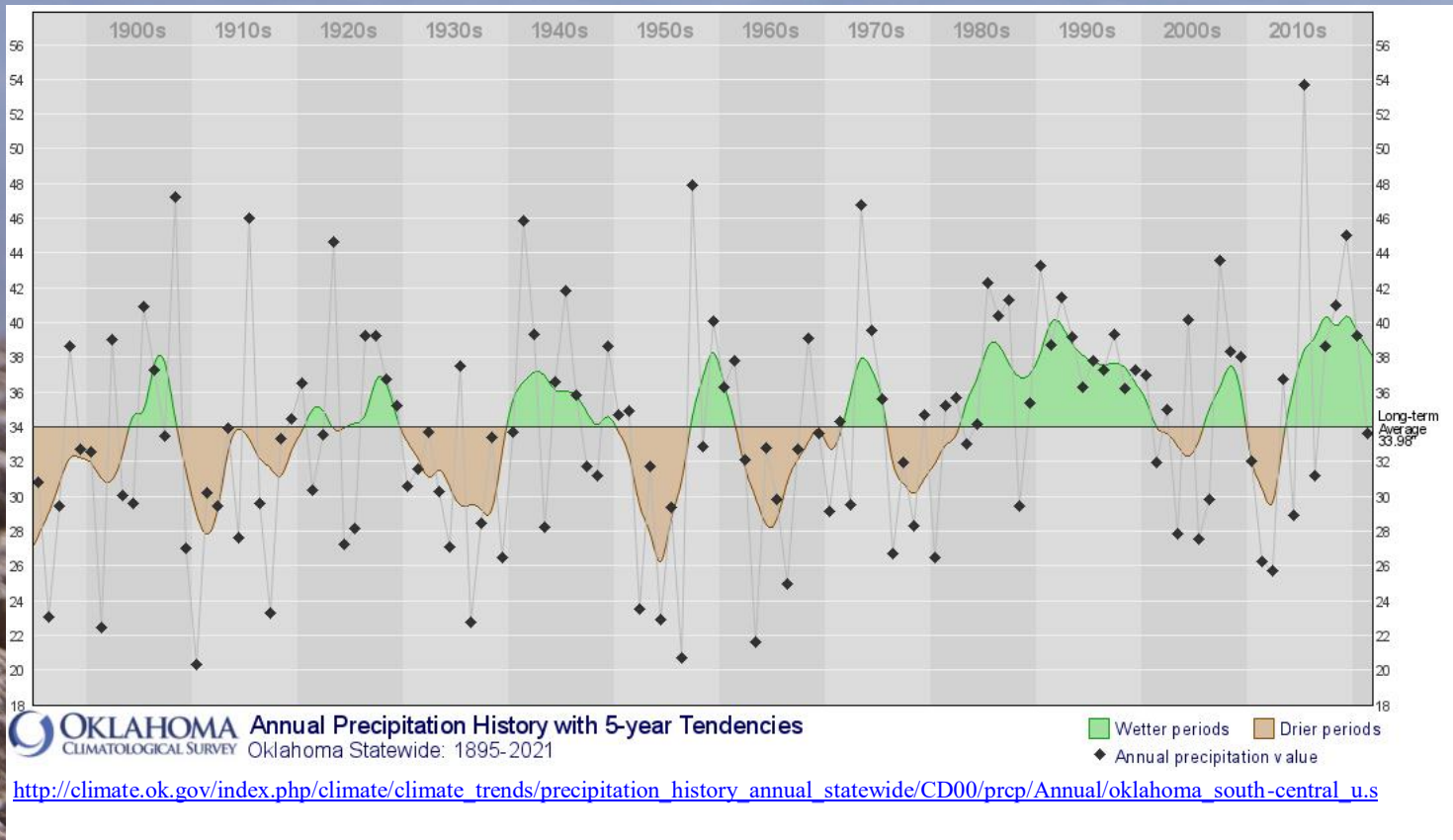
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Annual Precipitation History with 5-Year Tendencies

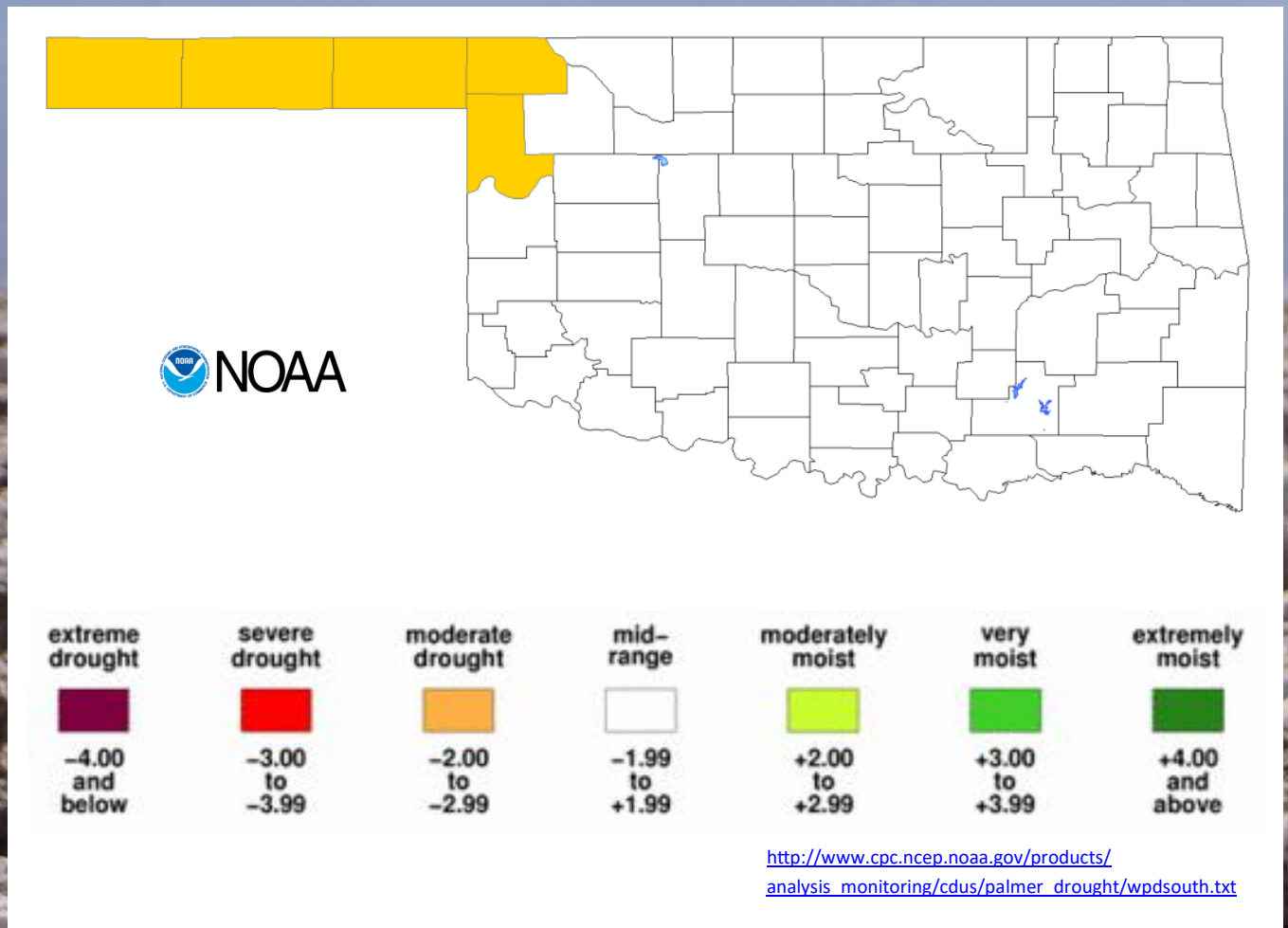


This graph shows the cyclical nature of wet and drought periods in Oklahoma. The black dots represent the annual precipitation for that particular year. The line represents the annual precipitation data smoothed over five years.

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.

Drought Severity Index by Climate Division

Palmer Value Ending 19 FEB 2022



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 (meteorological) moisture conditions has changed over the last 12 months.

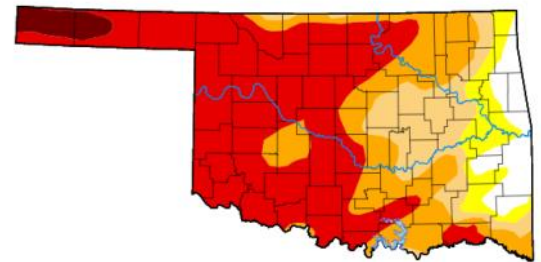
On these maps, the red shading denotes drought conditions while the green shading indicates wet conditions.

U.S. Drought Monitor

Week	Date	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	2022-02-22	6.69	93.31	86.65	73.94	52.05	2.90
Last Week	2022-02-15	2.33	97.67	87.98	76.35	55.65	2.90
3 Months Ago	2021-11-23	20.17	79.83	41.69	12.36	2.23	0.00
Start of Calendar Year	2021-12-28	4.92	95.08	90.17	72.51	22.62	0.00
Start of Water Year	2021-09-28	6.45	93.55	73.23	23.72	2.65	0.00
One Year Ago	2021-02-23	69.33	30.67	14.83	4.17	0.23	0.00

U.S. Drought Monitor Oklahoma

Abnormal dryness or drought are currently affecting approximately 3,372,048 people in Oklahoma.



Intensity:

■ D0 - Abnormally Dry
■ D1 - Moderate Drought
■ D2 - Severe Drought

■ D3 - Extreme Drought
■ D4 - Exceptional Drought

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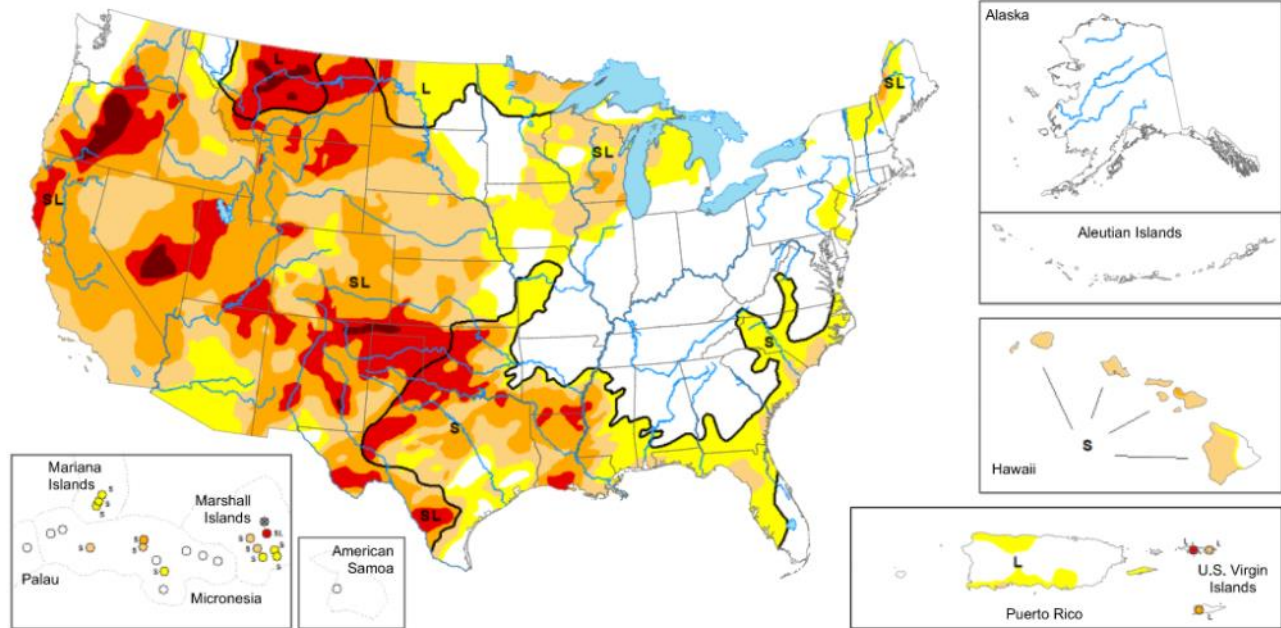
Drought.gov
U.S. Drought Portal

<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?OK>

U.S. Drought Monitor Nationwide Map

Map released: February 24, 2022

Data valid: February 22, 2022



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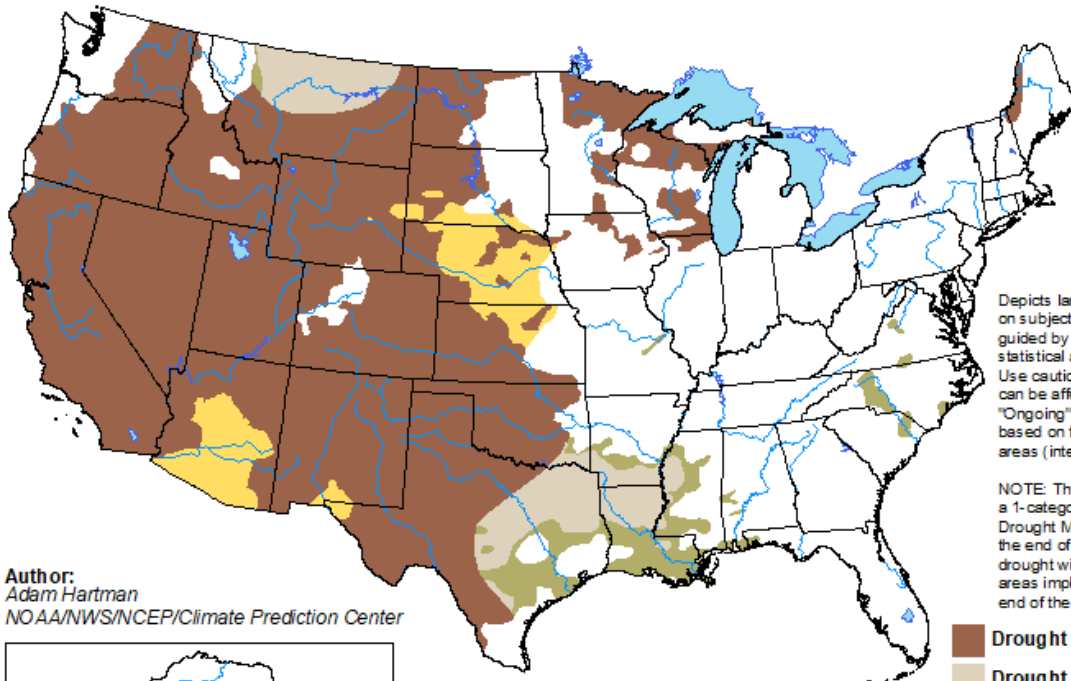
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U.S. Drought Monitor

Monthly Drought Outlook Map

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

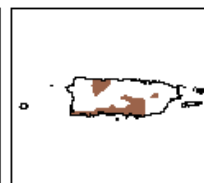
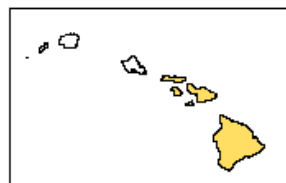
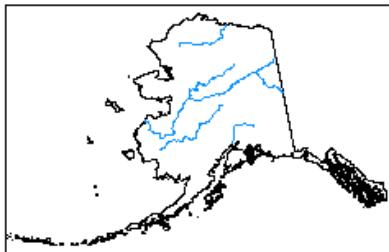
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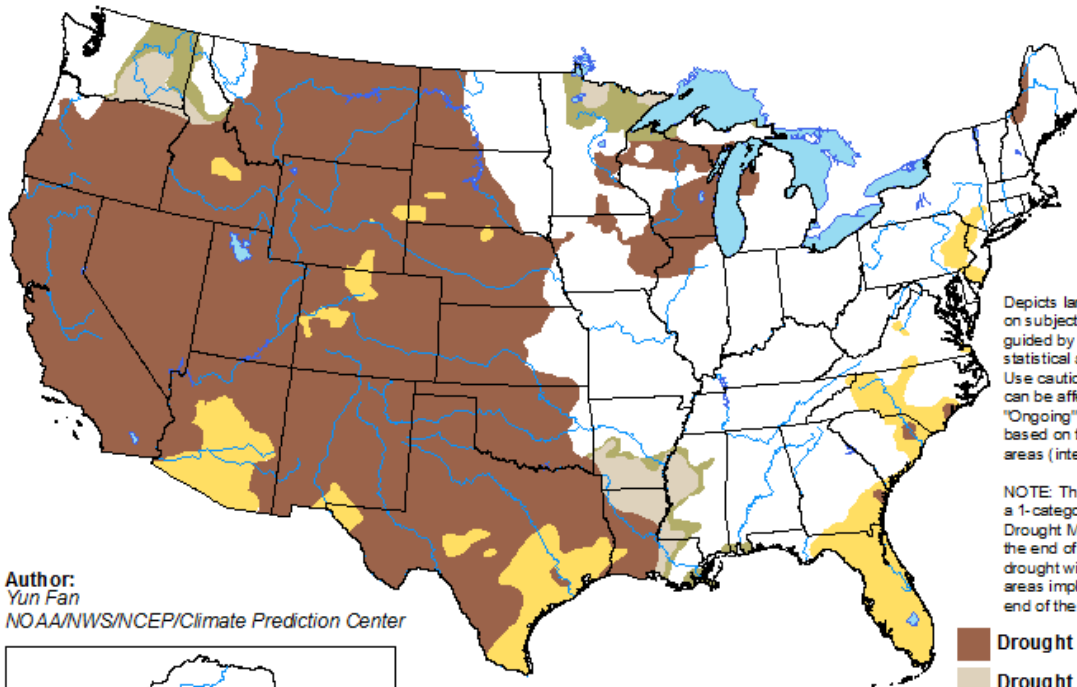
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U.S. Drought Monitor

Seasonal Drought Outlook Map

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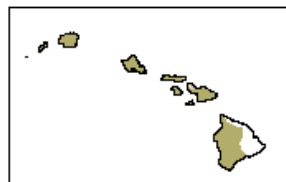
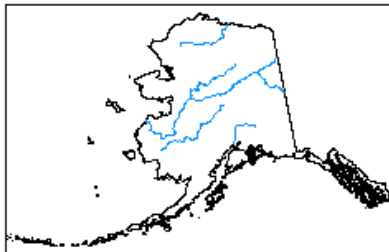
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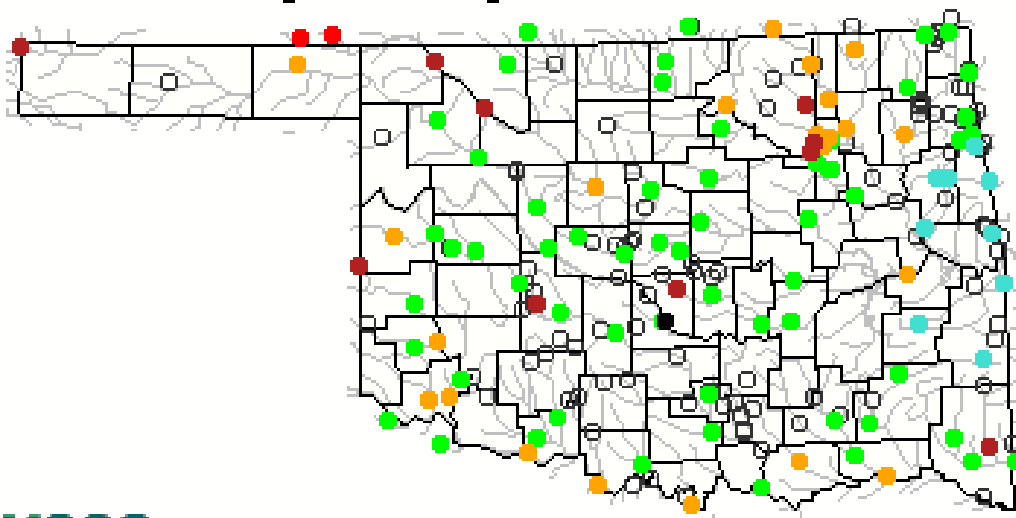


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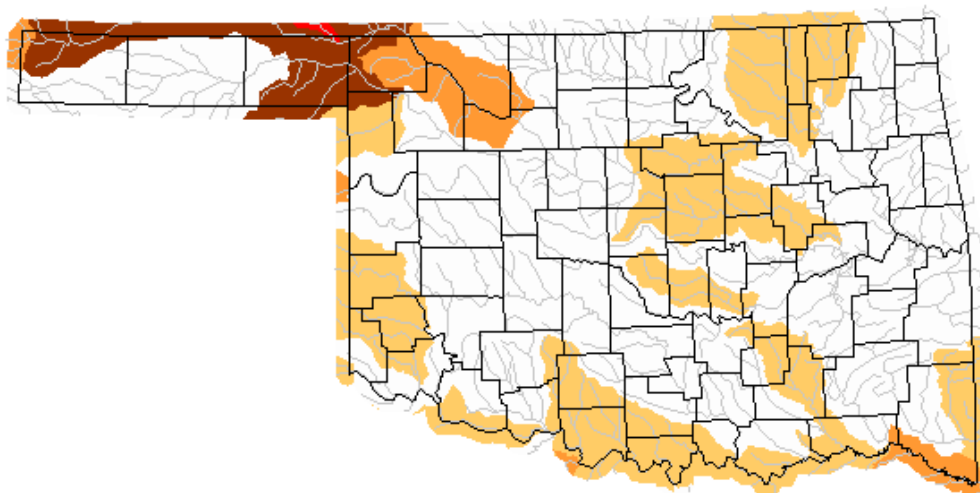
USGS Streamflow Data

Monday, February 28, 2022 10:30ET



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

Sunday, February 27, 2022



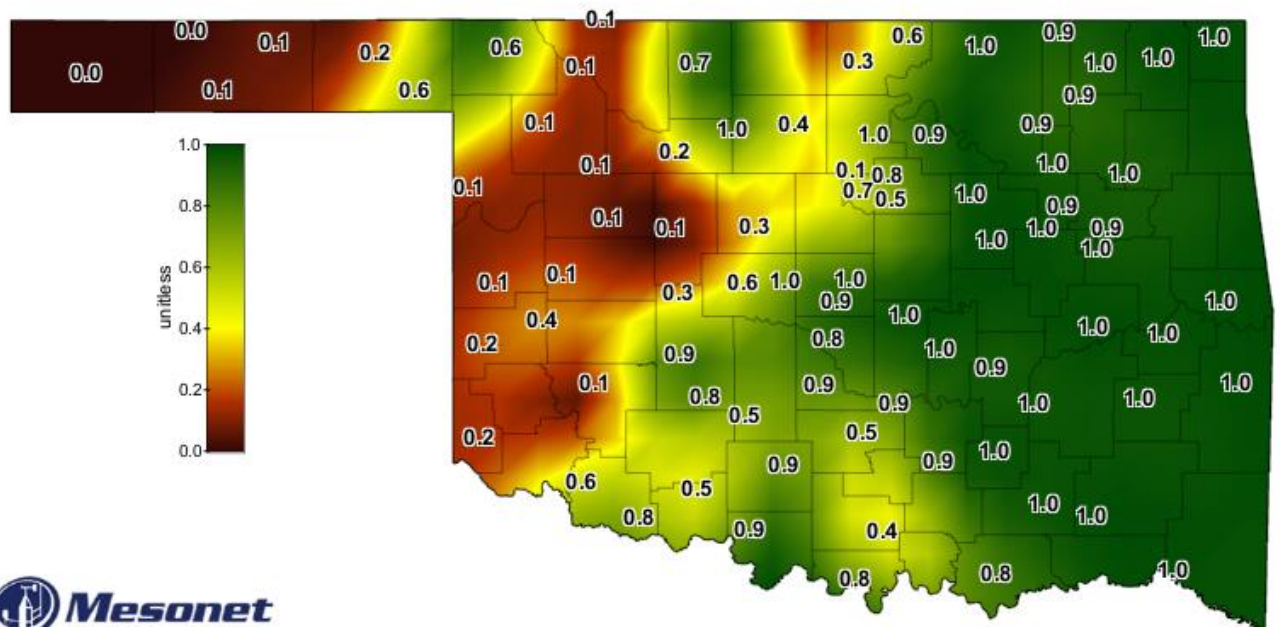
Below normal 28-day average streamflow

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	

<https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ok/nwis/rt>

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SOIL MOISTURE MAP



1-day Average 24-inch Fractional Water Index

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CONSECUTIVE DAYS WITHOUT RAINFALL MAP

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Consecutive Days With Less Than 0.25" Rainfall

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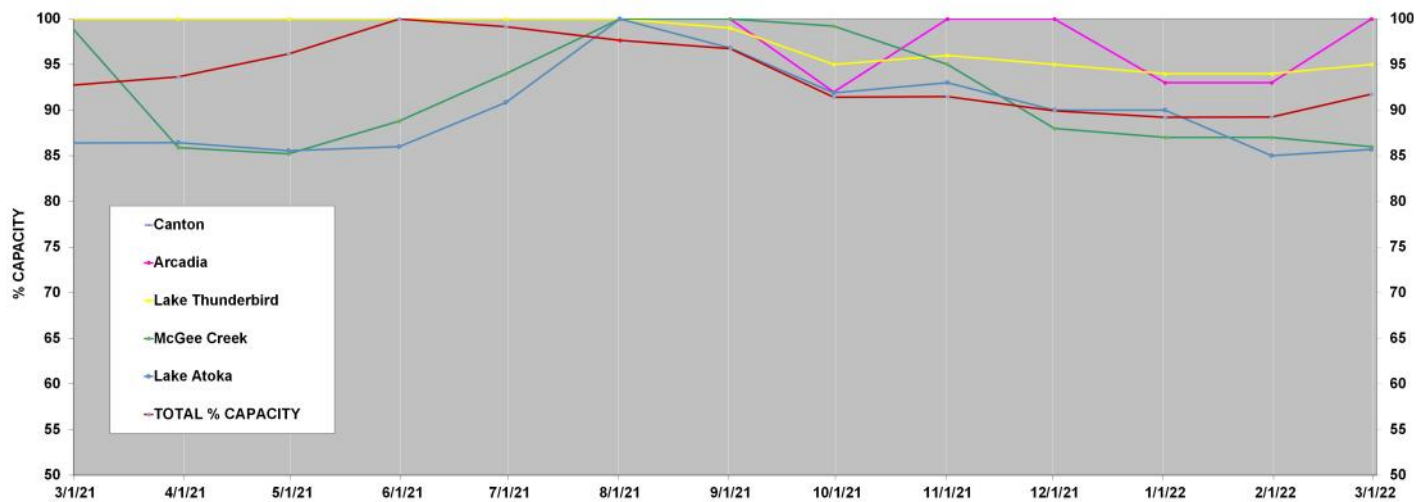


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Percent of Surface Water Conservation Storage Central OK Reservoirs



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

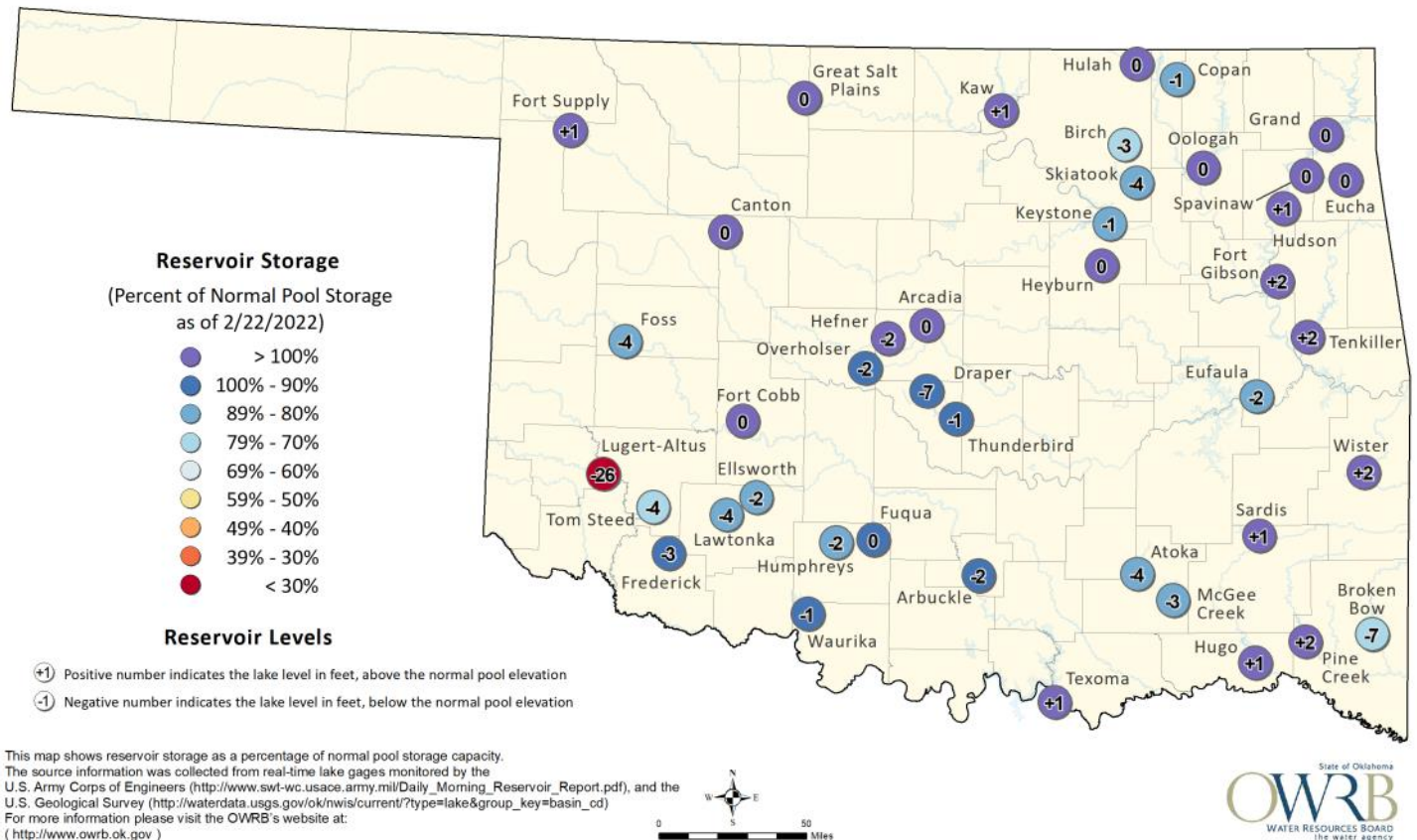
LAKE	% CAPACITY	% CHANGE FROM 1/31/2022
Canton	91.0	9.0
Arcadia	93.0	7.0
Lake Thunderbird	94.0	1.0
McGee Creek	86.0	2.0
Lake Atoka	85.7	-1.7
TOTAL % CAPACITY	89.2	2.6

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The graph is the amount of water stored in five major lakes that supply water to central Oklahoma as a percent of capacity over the past year.

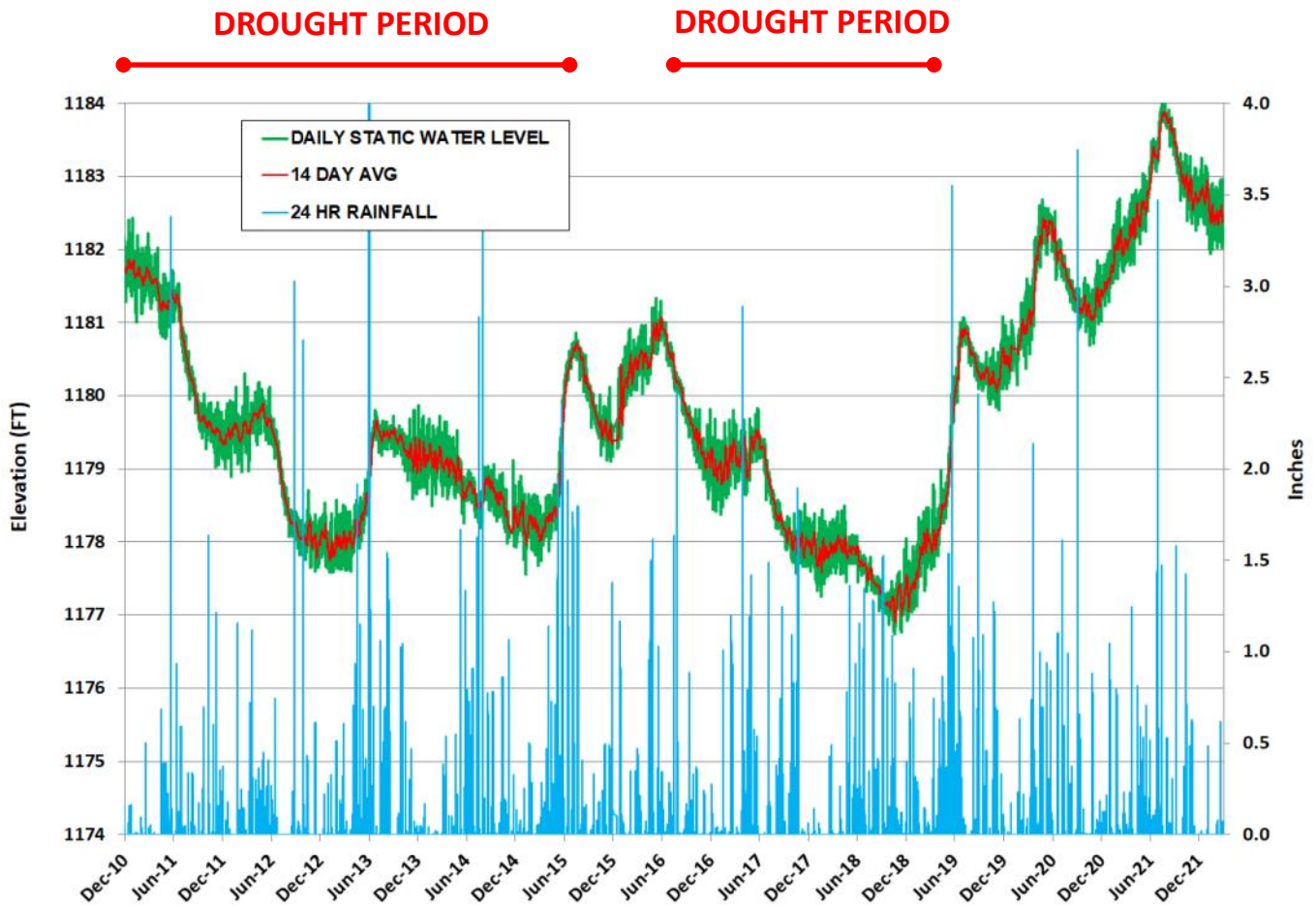
Oklahoma Surface Water Resources

Reservoir Levels and Storage as of 2/22/2022



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Groundwater Levels Spencer Mesonet Station

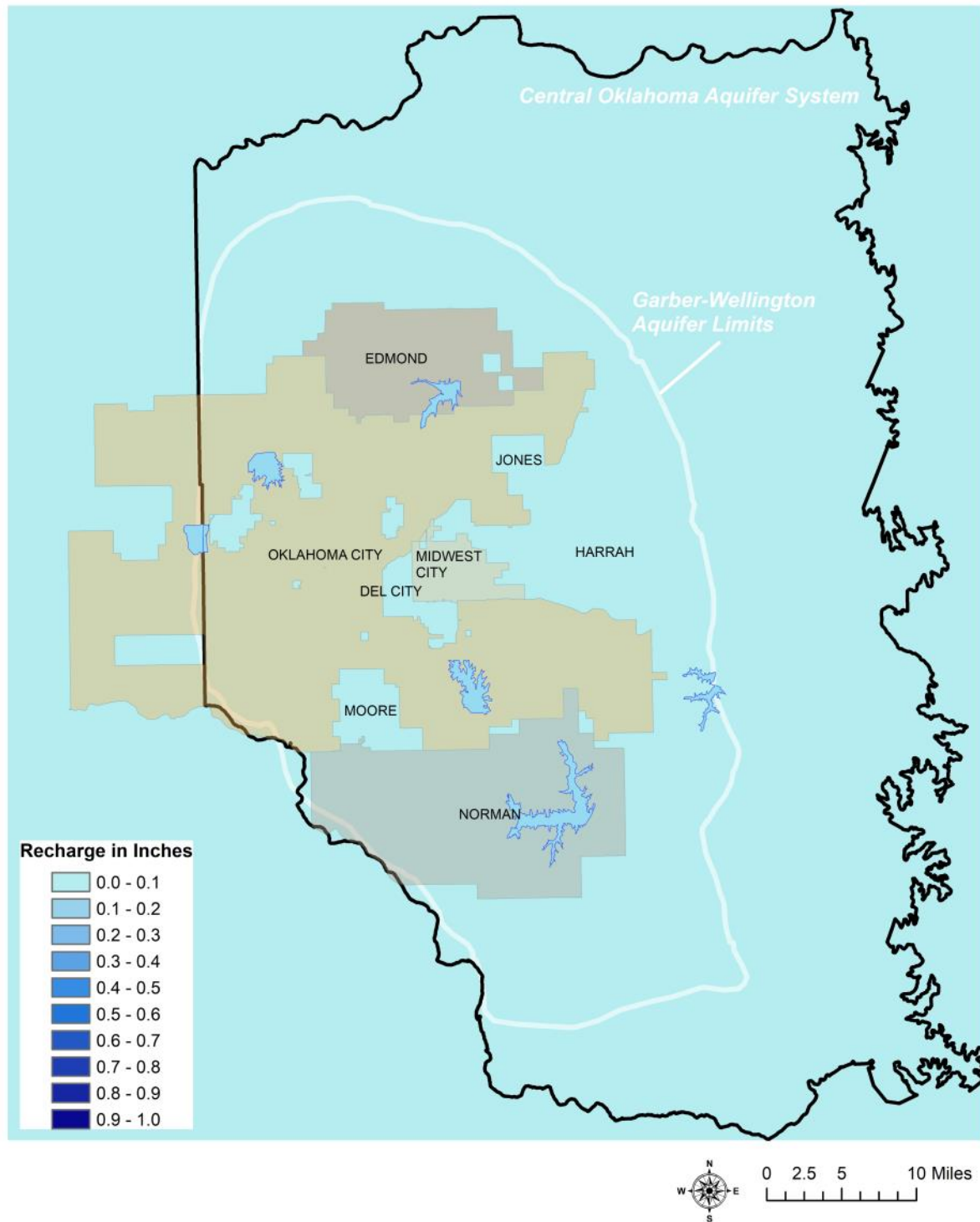


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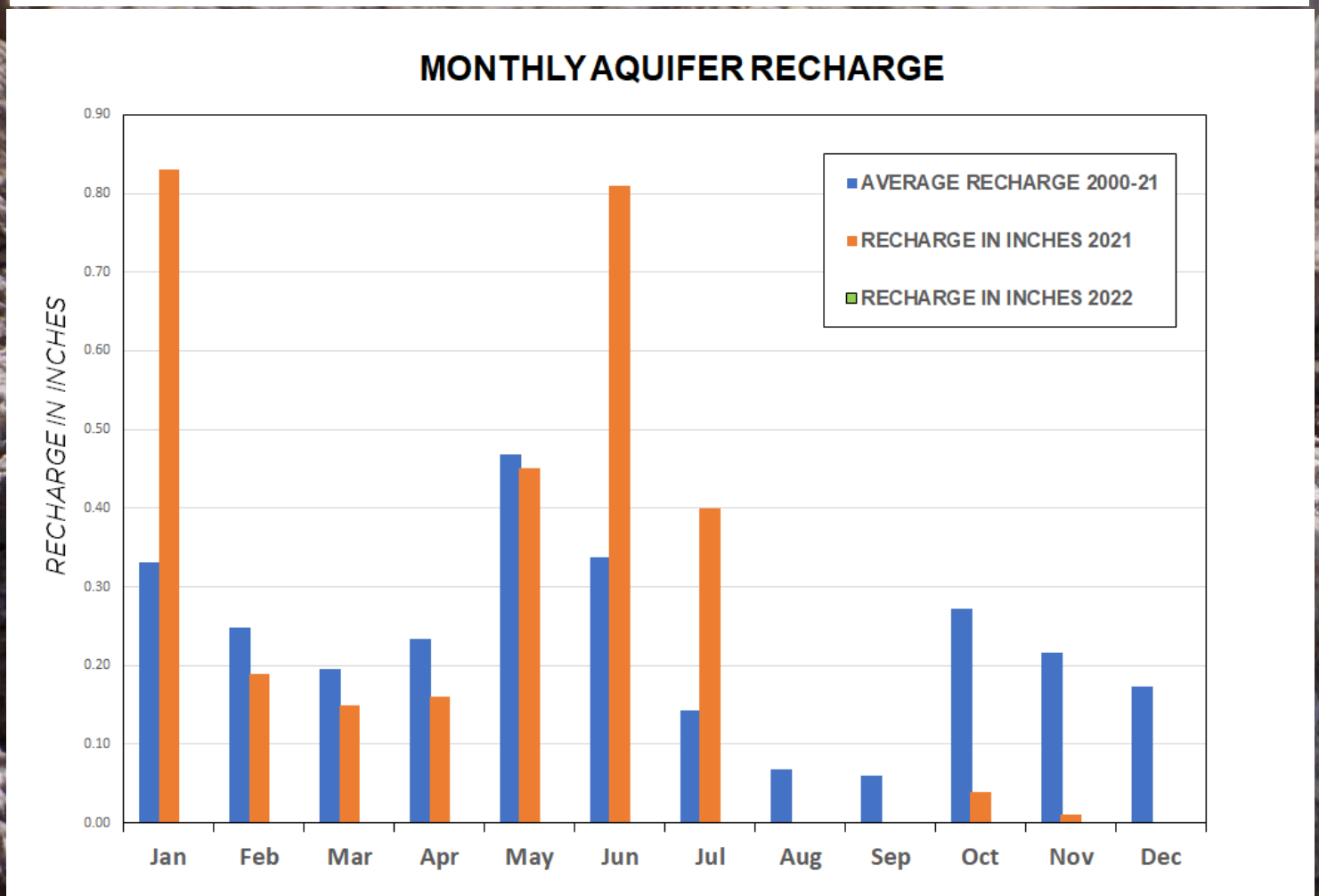
Recharge Map Central Oklahoma Aquifer System

AQUIFER RECHARGE FEB 2022



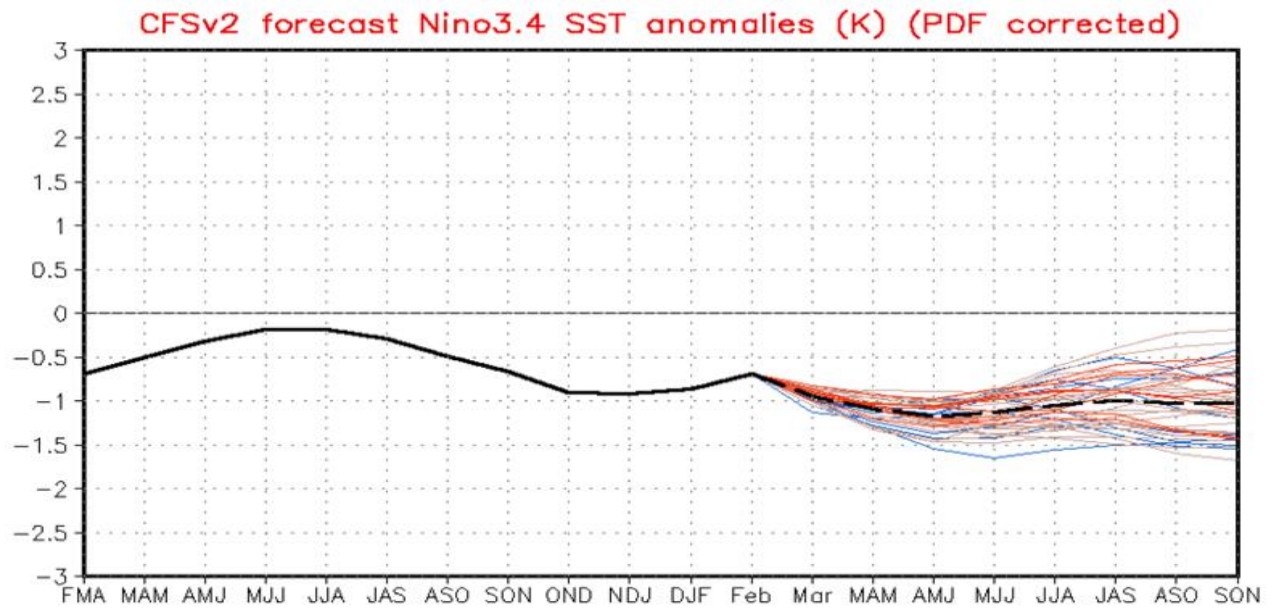
Recharge Charts

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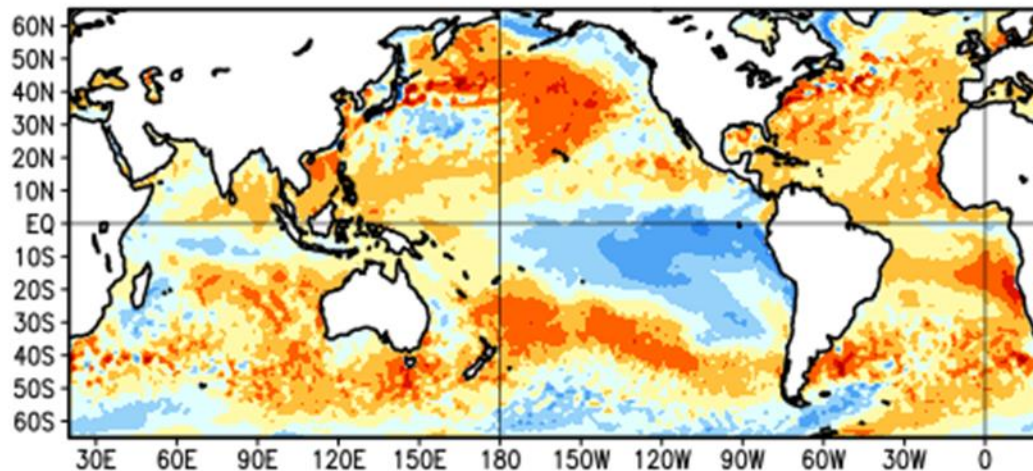


ENSO Cycle

Recent Evolution, Current Status and Predictions



Average SST Anomalies
61 DEC 2021 – 26 FEB 2022



Summary



ENSO Alert System Status: La Niña Advisory

- La Niña is present.
- Equatorial sea surface temperatures (SSTs) are below average across the central and east-central Pacific Ocean.
- The tropical Pacific atmosphere is consistent with La Niña.
- La Niña is likely to continue into the Northern Hemisphere spring (77% chance during March-May 2022) and then transition to ENSO-neutral (56% chance during May-July 2022).

https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/analysis_monitoring/lanina/enso_evolution-status-fcsts-web.ppt