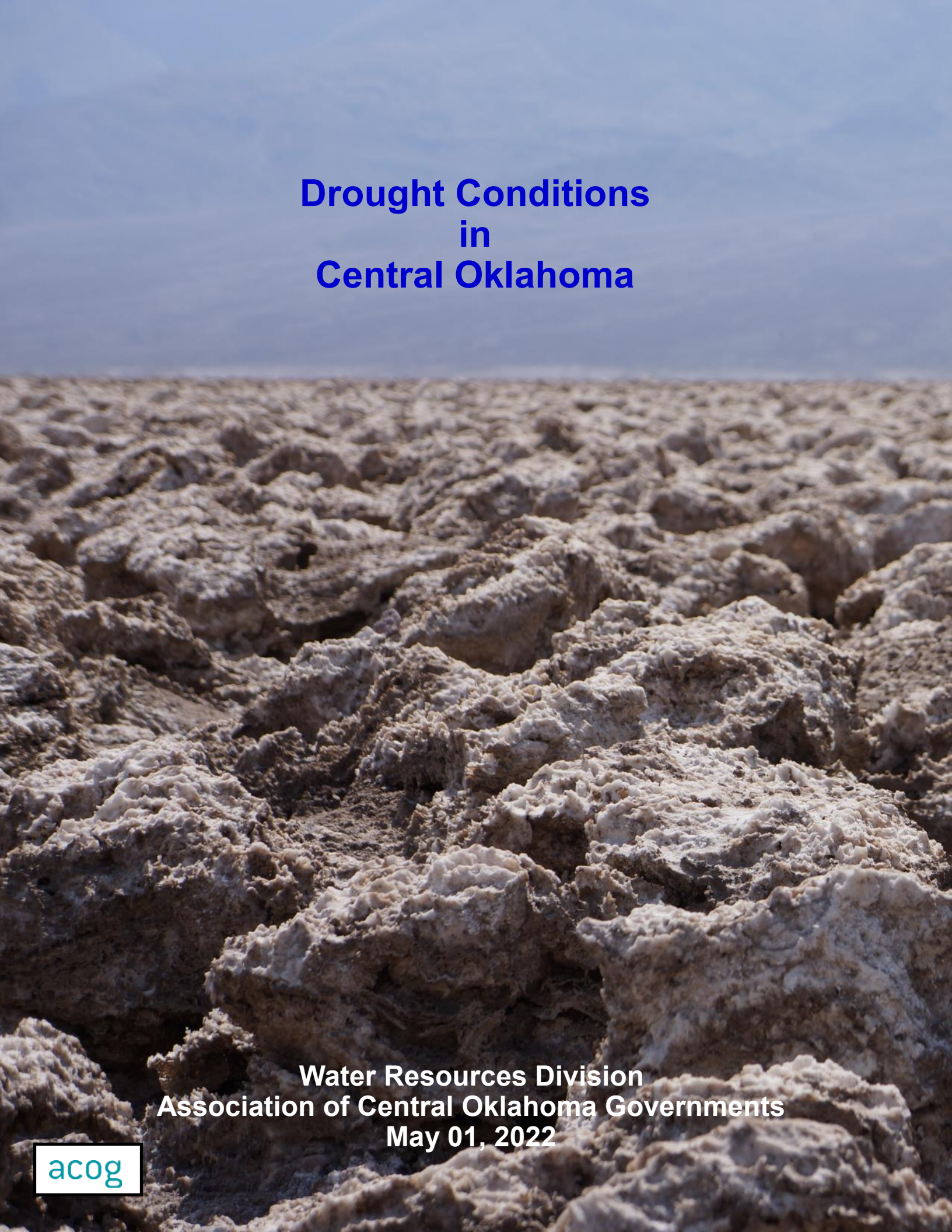

Drought Conditions in Central Oklahoma

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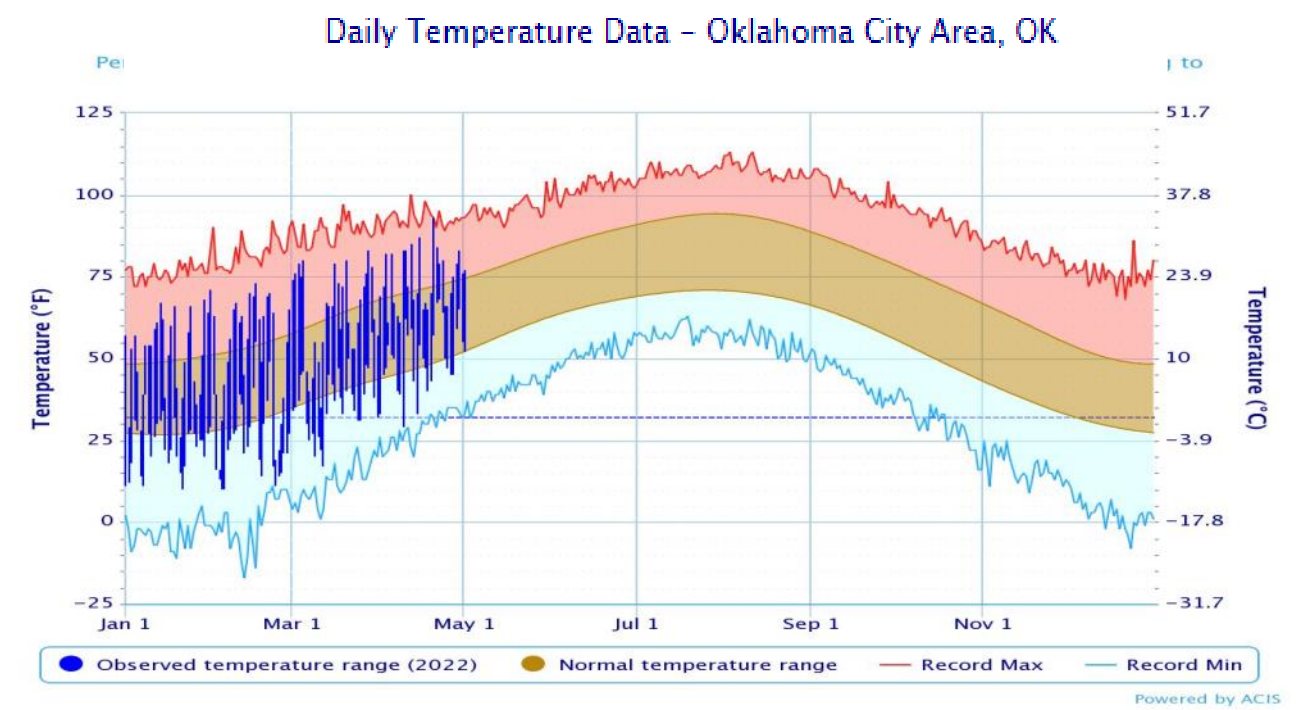
Temperature and Precipitation Plot for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for 2022



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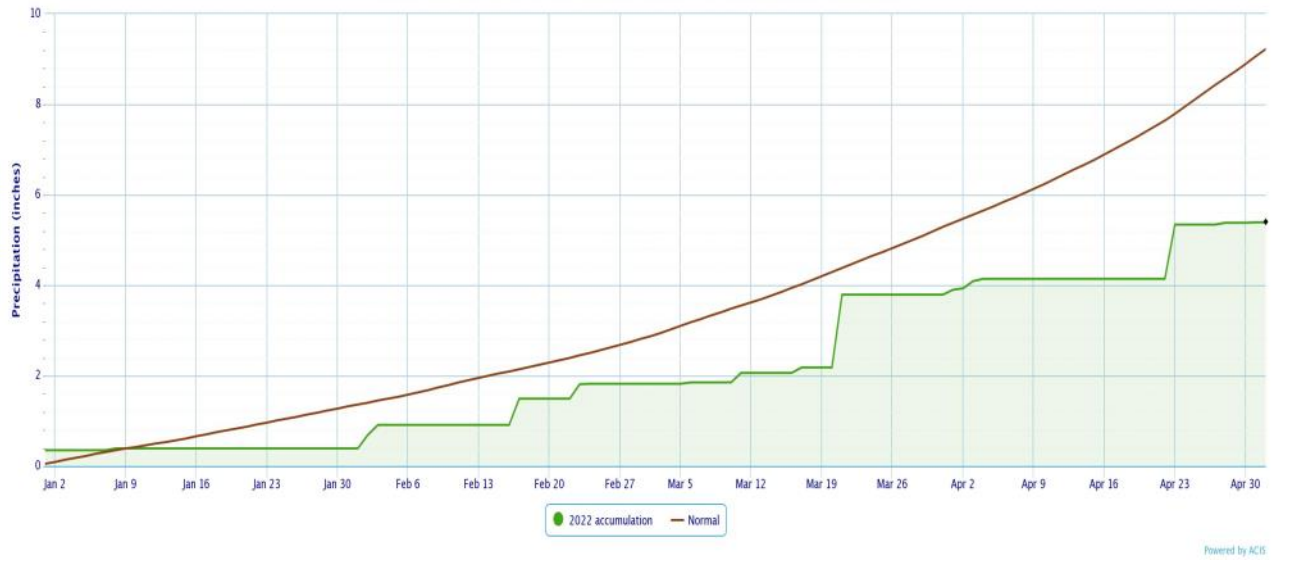

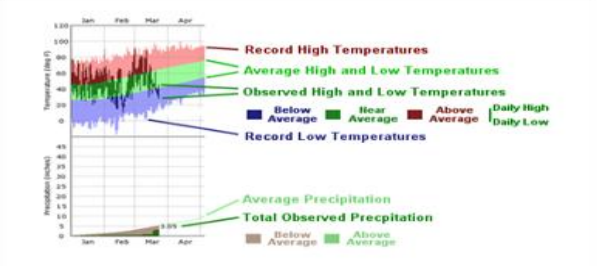

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Rainfall Summaries by Oklahoma Climate Division

Calendar Year 01-Jan-2021 though 01-May-2022

Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	2.57"	-4.27"	38%	8th driest	0.66" (1996)	13.38" (1973)
Central	7.28"	-2.59"	74%	31st driest	1.76" (1936)	20.91" (1990)
S. Central	8.44"	-3.22"	72%	20th driest	3.40" (1936)	27.55" (1990)
Statewide	7.31"	-2.49"	75%	22nd driest	2.46" (1936)	18.88" (1990)

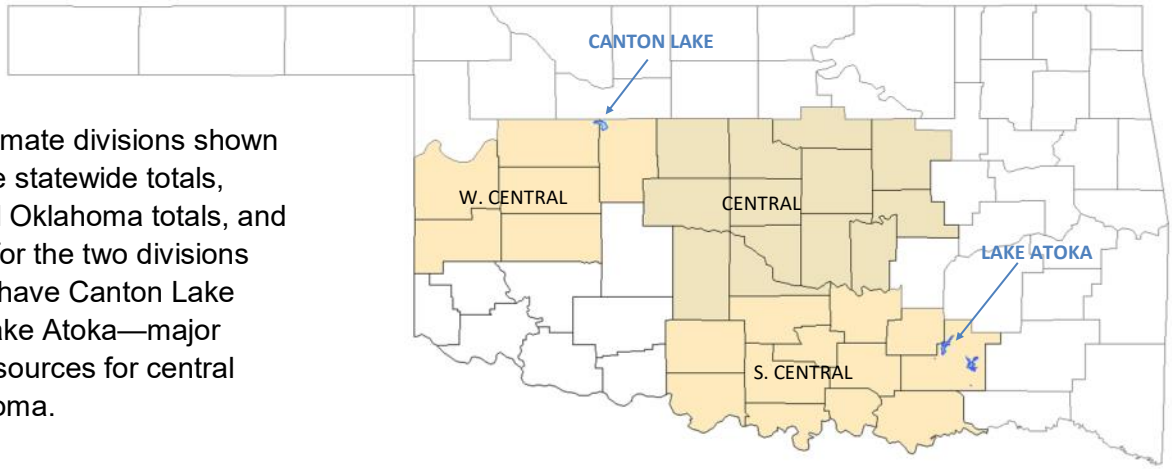
Water Year: 01-Oct-2021 through 01-May-2022

Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	4.89"	-7.49"	39%	4th driest	2.91" (1995-96)	20.95" (1998-99)
Central	12.79"	-5.19"	71%	27th driest	8.01" (1958-59)	33.79" (1984-85)
S. Central	13.64"	-7.71"	64%	11th driest	8.29" (1955-56)	36.06" (2015-16)
Statewide	12.86"	-5.02"	72%	23rd driest	8.48" (1955-56)	28.74" (1984-85)

Spring Mar 01 through 01-May-2022

Climate Division	Total Rainfall	Departure from Normal	Pct of Normal	Rank since 1921 (88 periods)	Driest on Record	Wettest on Record
W. Central	1.63"	-3.14"	34%	8th driest	0.41" (1996)	10.67" (1973)
Central	5.21"	-1.43"	78%	38th driest	1.14" (1936)	14.69" (1990)
S. Central	5.88"	-1.44"	80%	36th driest	2.07" (2005)	18.65" (1990)
Statewide	5.19"	-1.22"	81%	38th driest	1.69" (1936)	12.54" (1973)

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.



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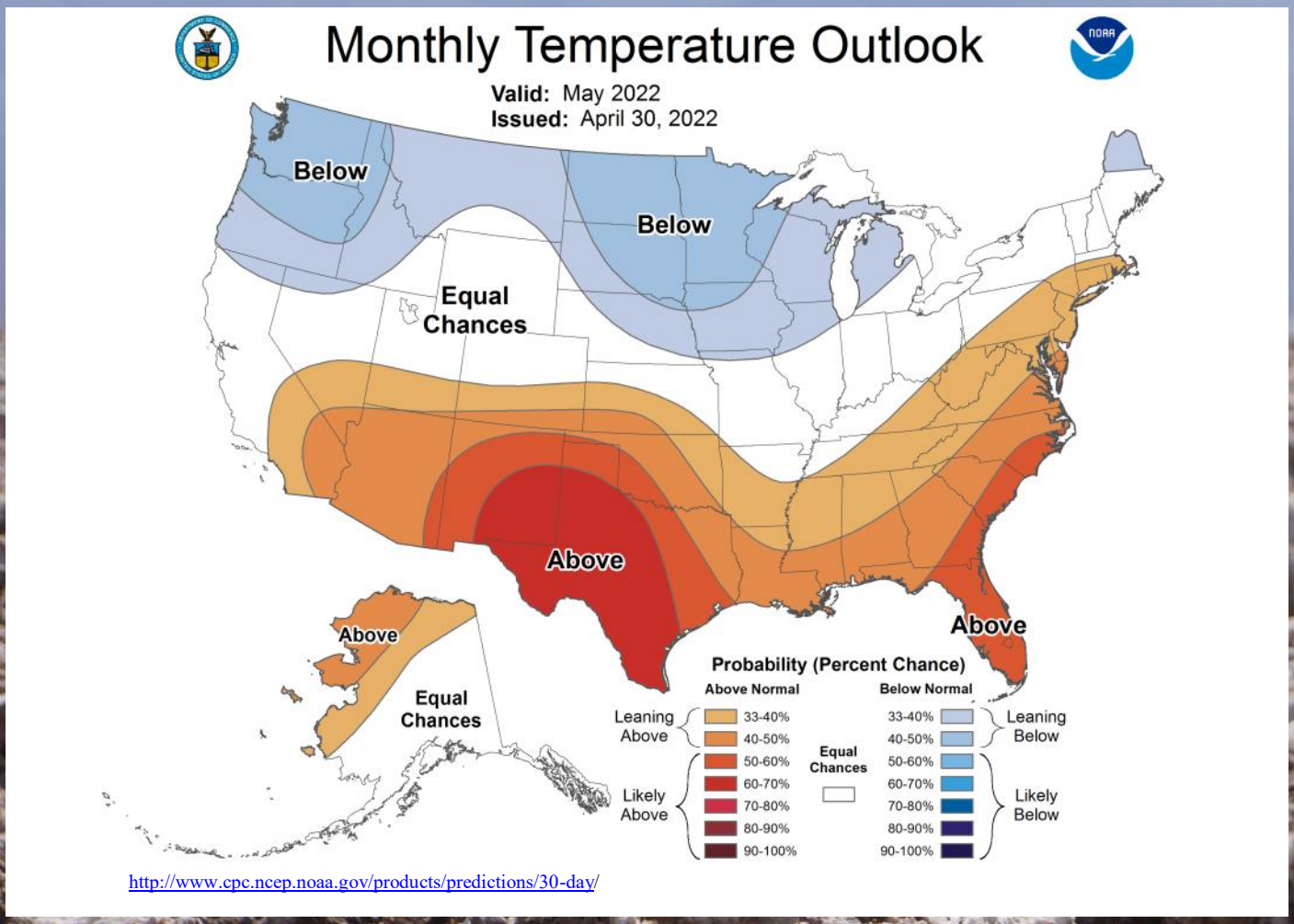
NOAA One-Month Outlook



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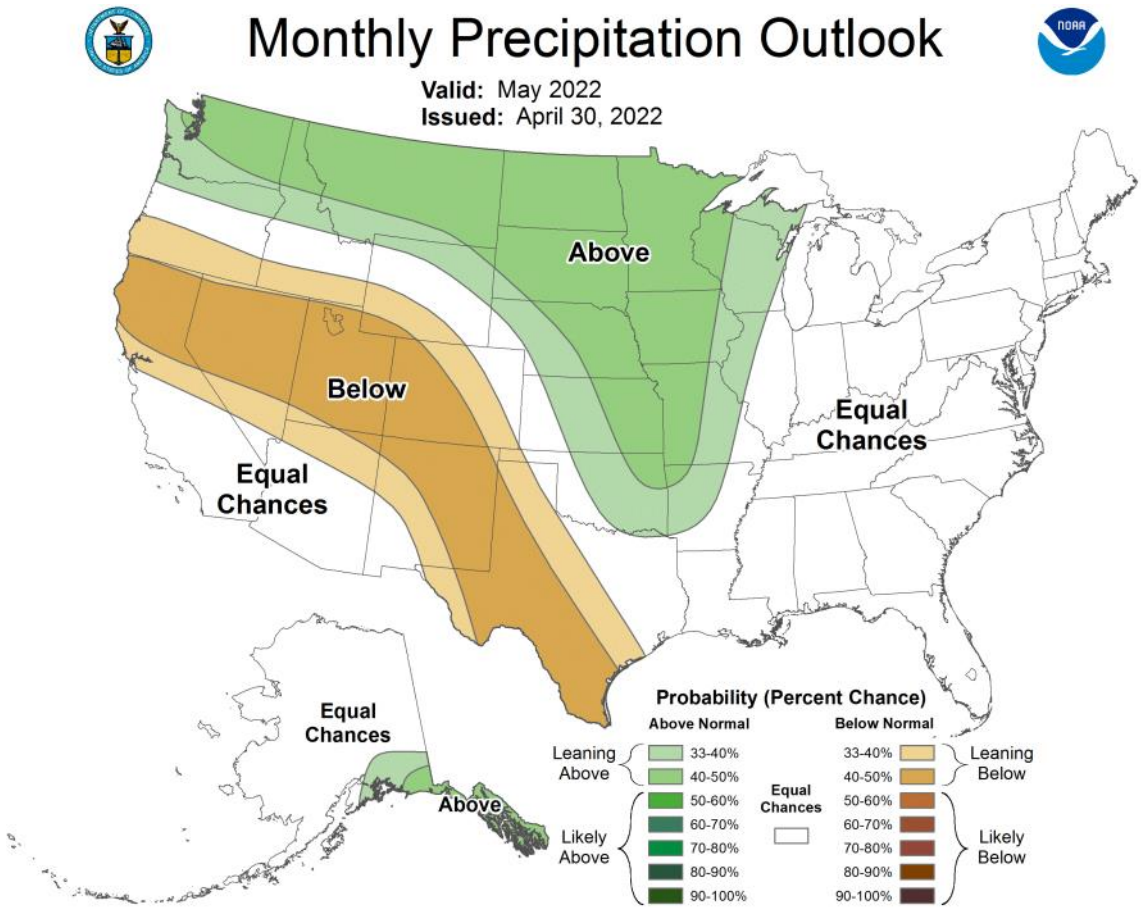

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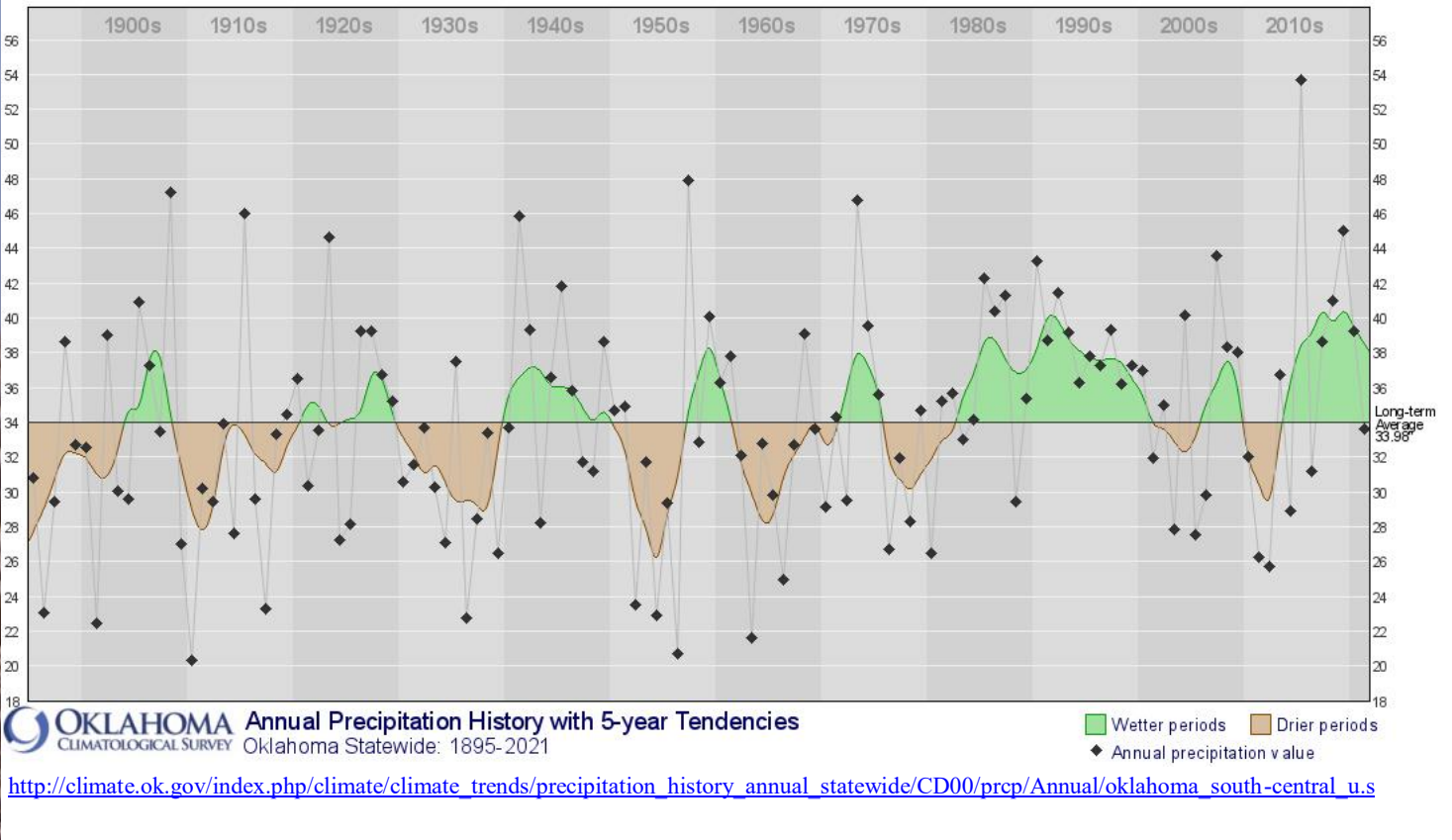
Annual Precipitation History with 5-Year Tendencies



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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.

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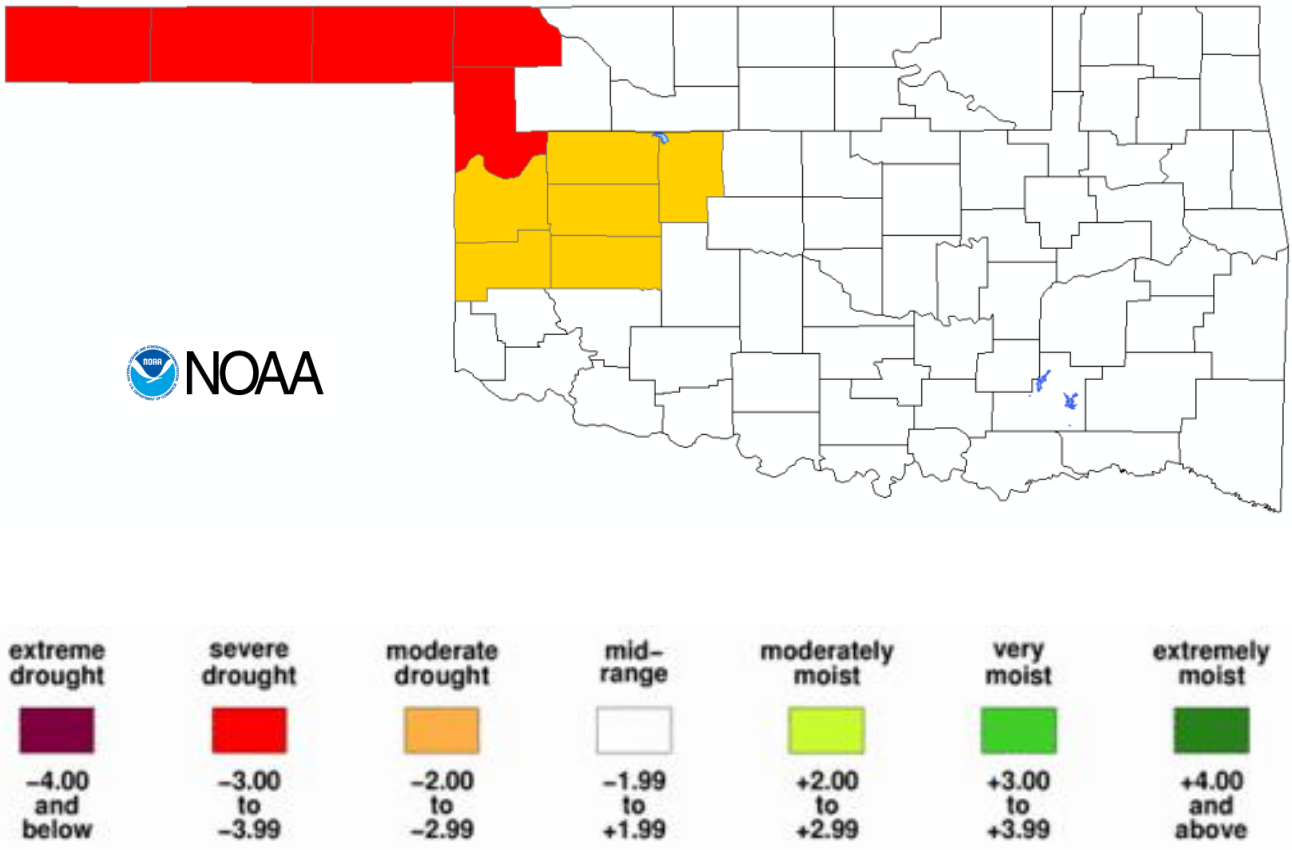
Drought Severity Index by Climate Division

Palmer Value Ending 23 APR 2022



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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.

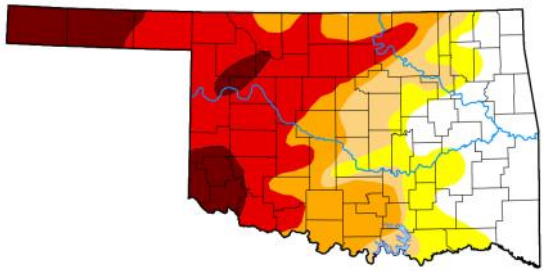
U.S. Drought Monitor

Week	Date	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	2022-04-26	22.73	77.27	65.40	55.30	39.39	11.03
Last Week	2022-04-19	19.25	80.75	72.70	57.56	36.00	9.43
3 Months Ago	2022-01-25	3.91	96.09	88.23	77.66	49.17	2.90
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	2021-04-27	43.60	56.40	20.02	6.30	0.08	0.00

U.S. Drought Monitor

Oklahoma

Abnormal dryness or drought are currently affecting approximately 2,462,066 people in Oklahoma.



NATIONAL INTEGRATED DROUGHT INFORMATION SYSTEM NIDIS Drought.gov U.S. Drought Portal

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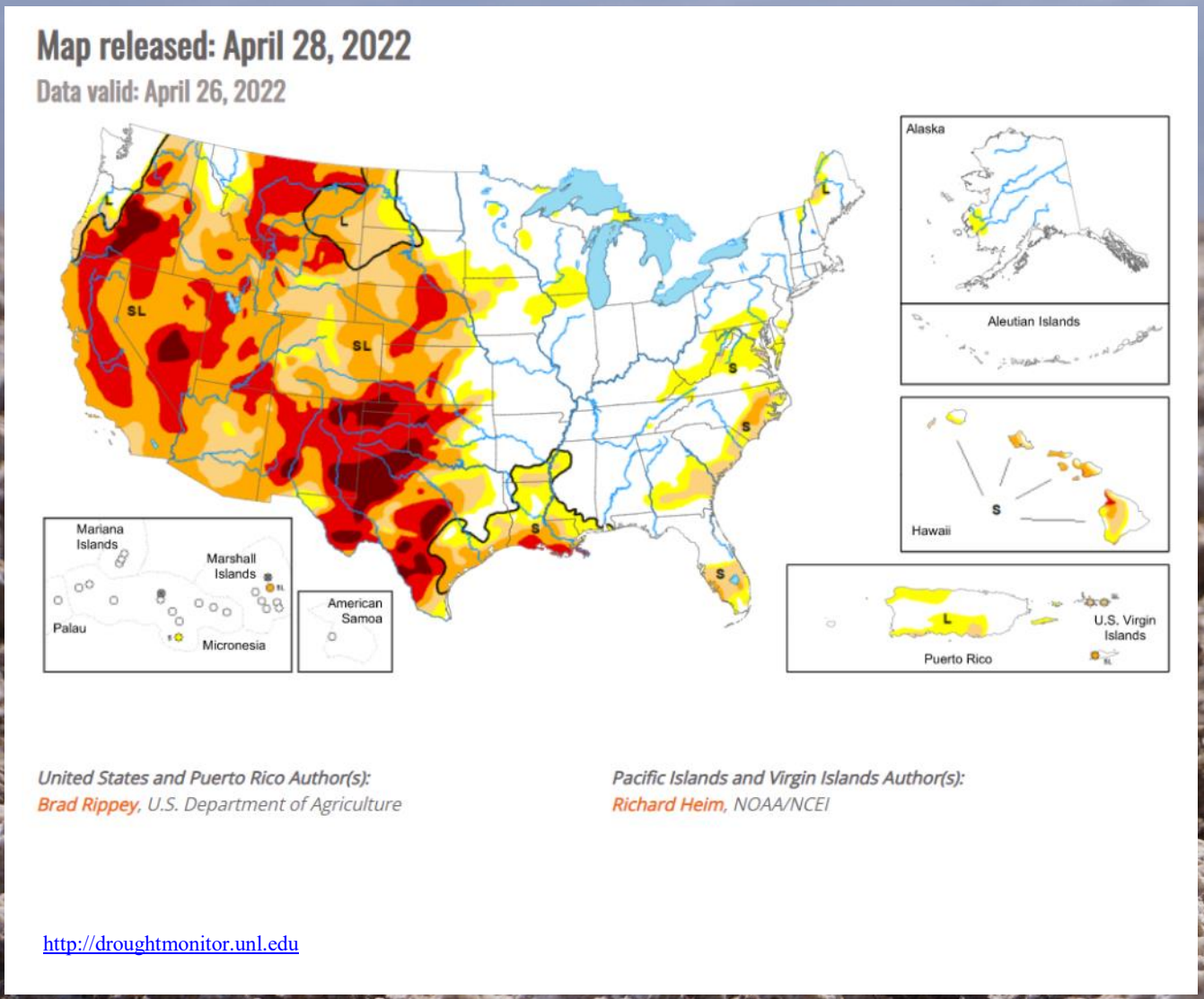
U.S. Drought Monitor Nationwide Map



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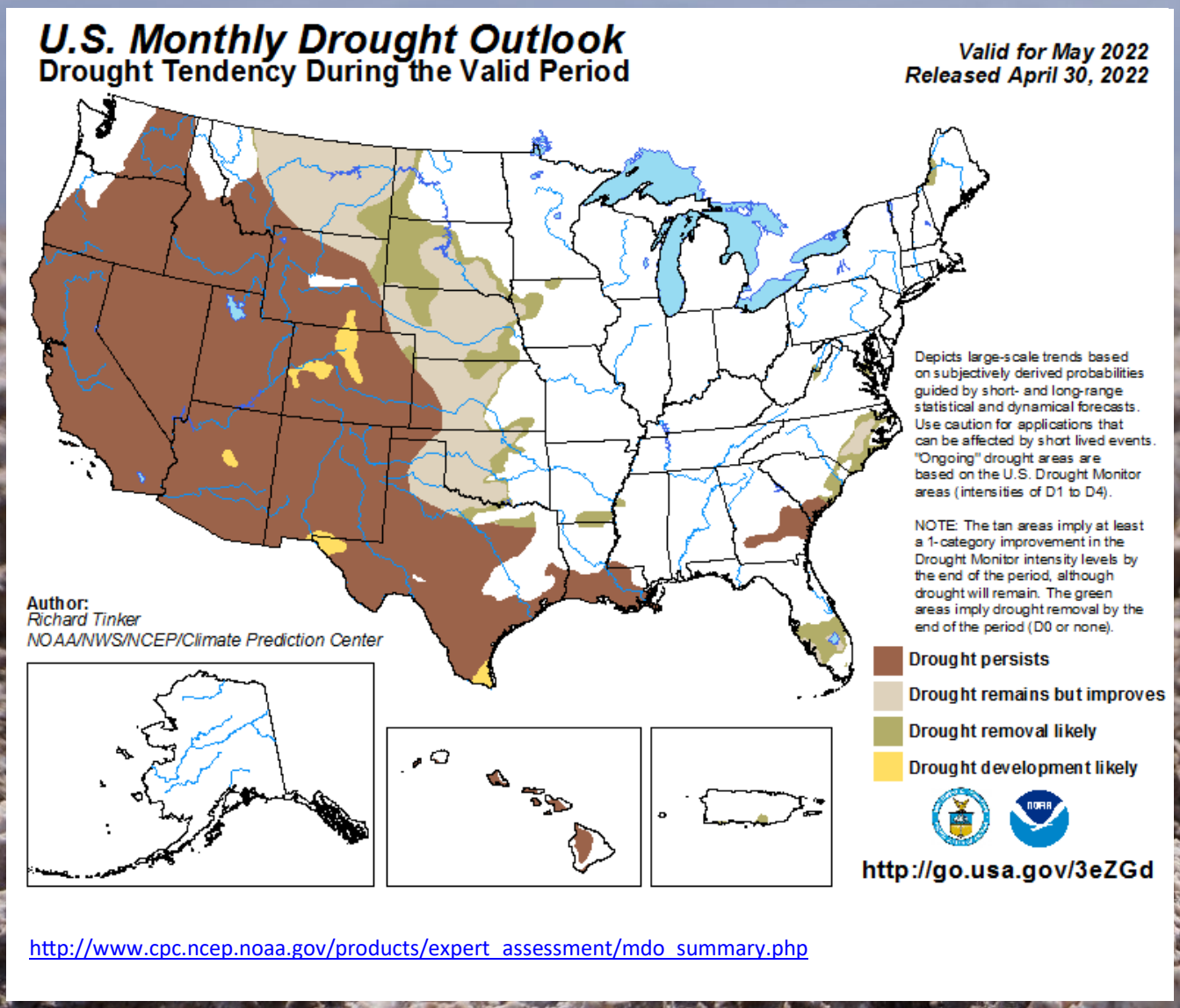
Monthly Drought Outlook Map



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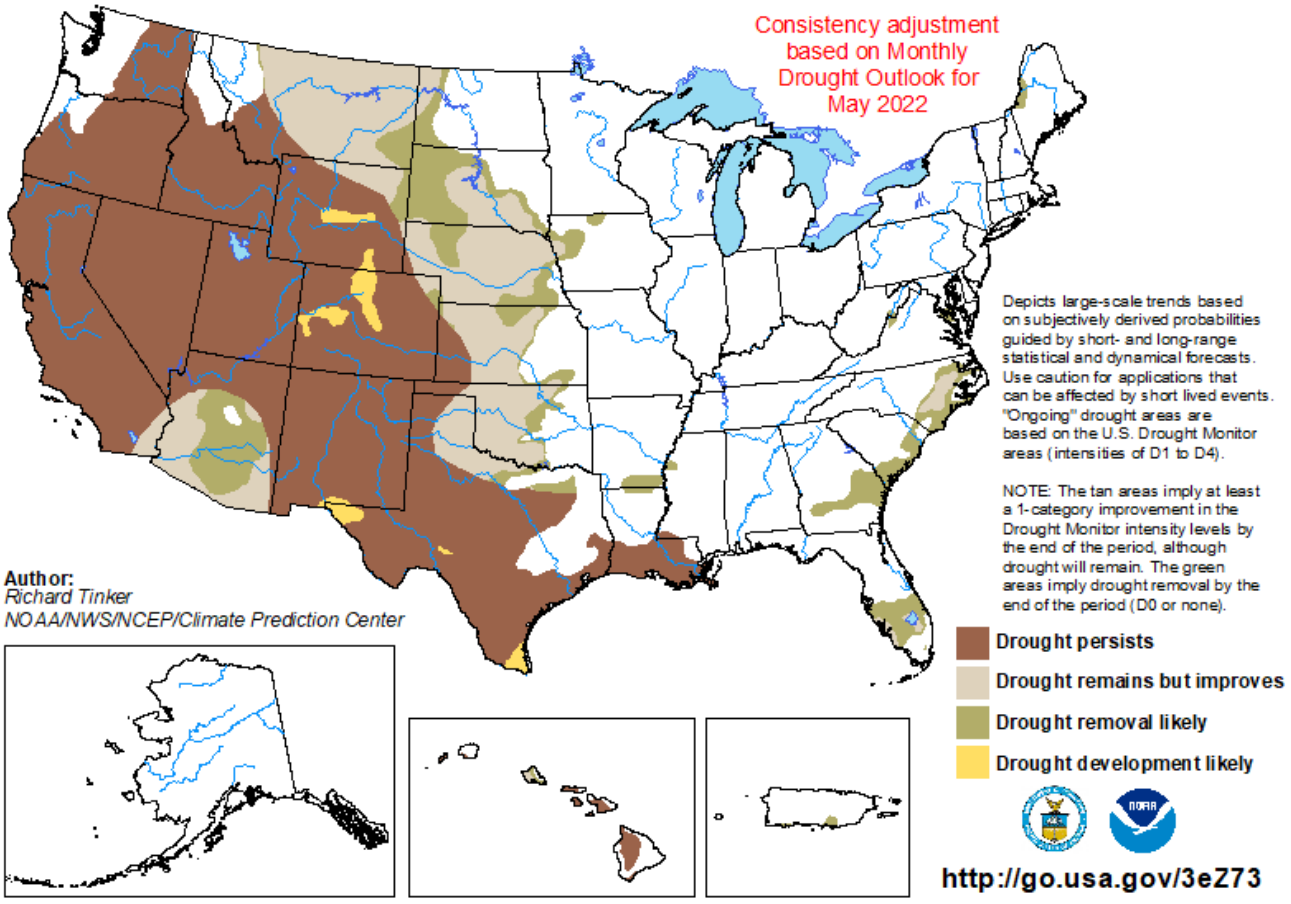
Seasonal Drought Outlook Map



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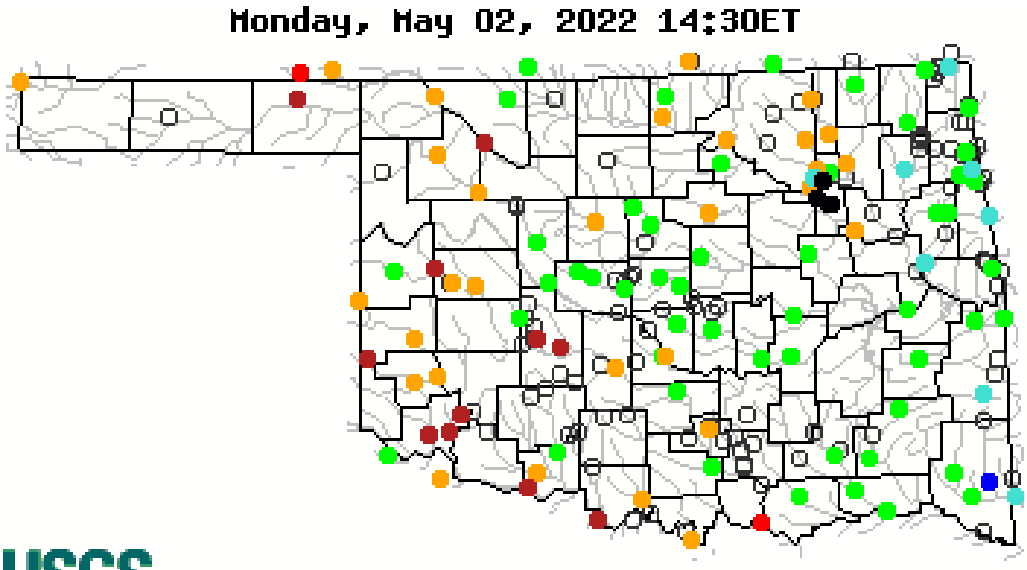
USGS Streamflow Data



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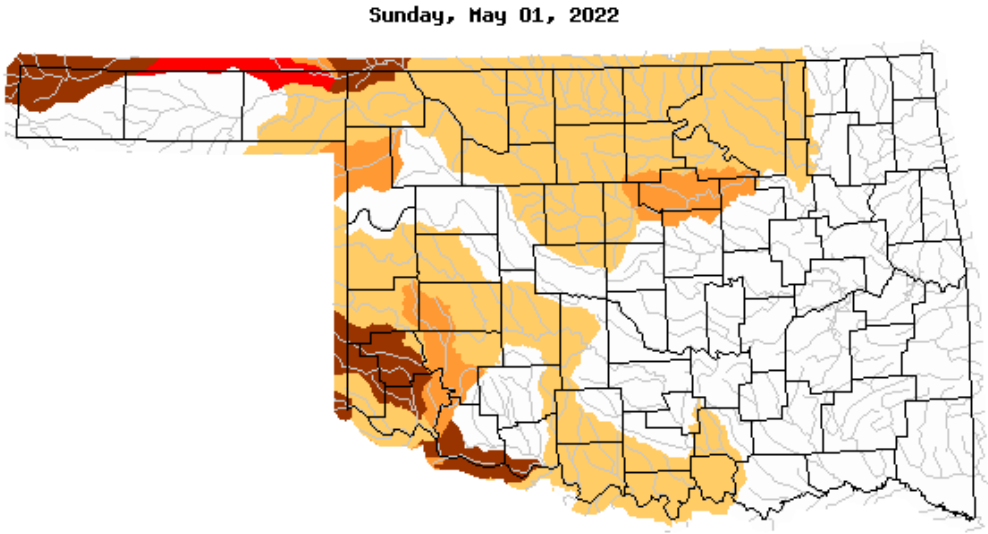
Explanation - Percentile classes							
Low	<10	10-24	25-75	76-90	>90	High	Not-ranked
	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		



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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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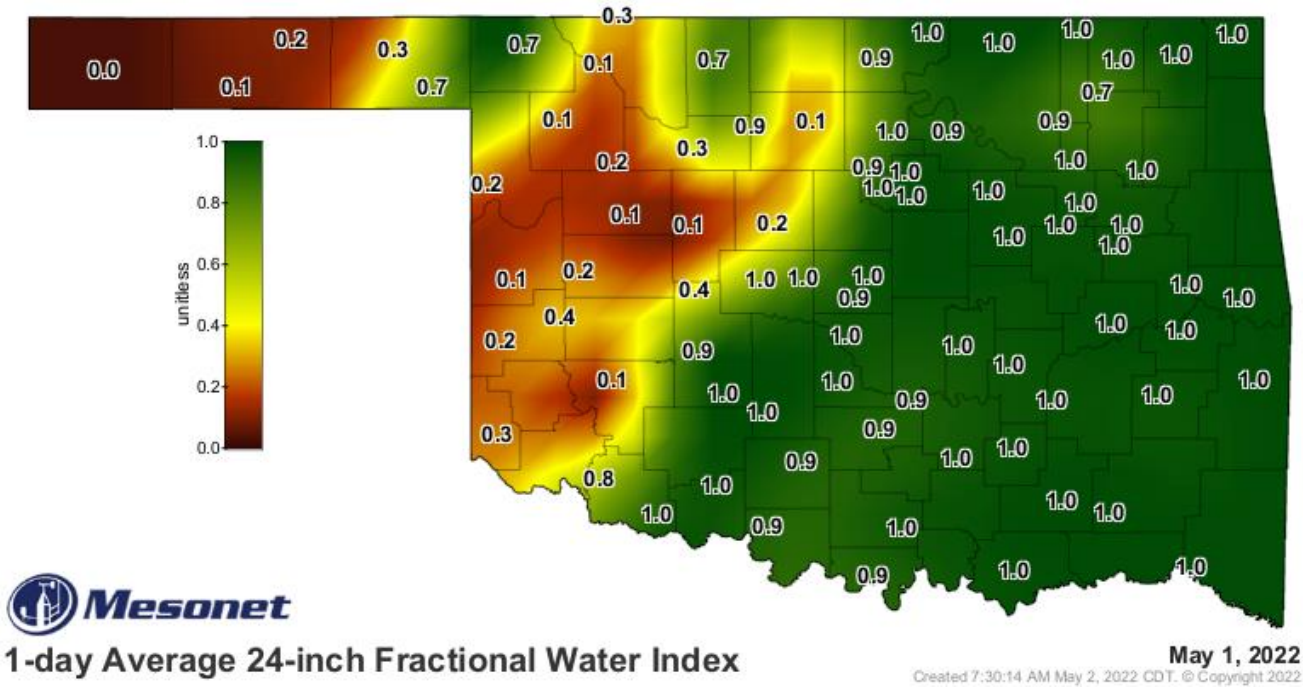
SOIL MOISTURE MAP



- 1.0 - 0.8 Enhanced Growth
- 0.8 – 0.5 Limited Growth
- 0.5 – 0.3 Plants Wilting
- 0.3 - 0.1 Plants Dying
- < 0.1 Barren Soil

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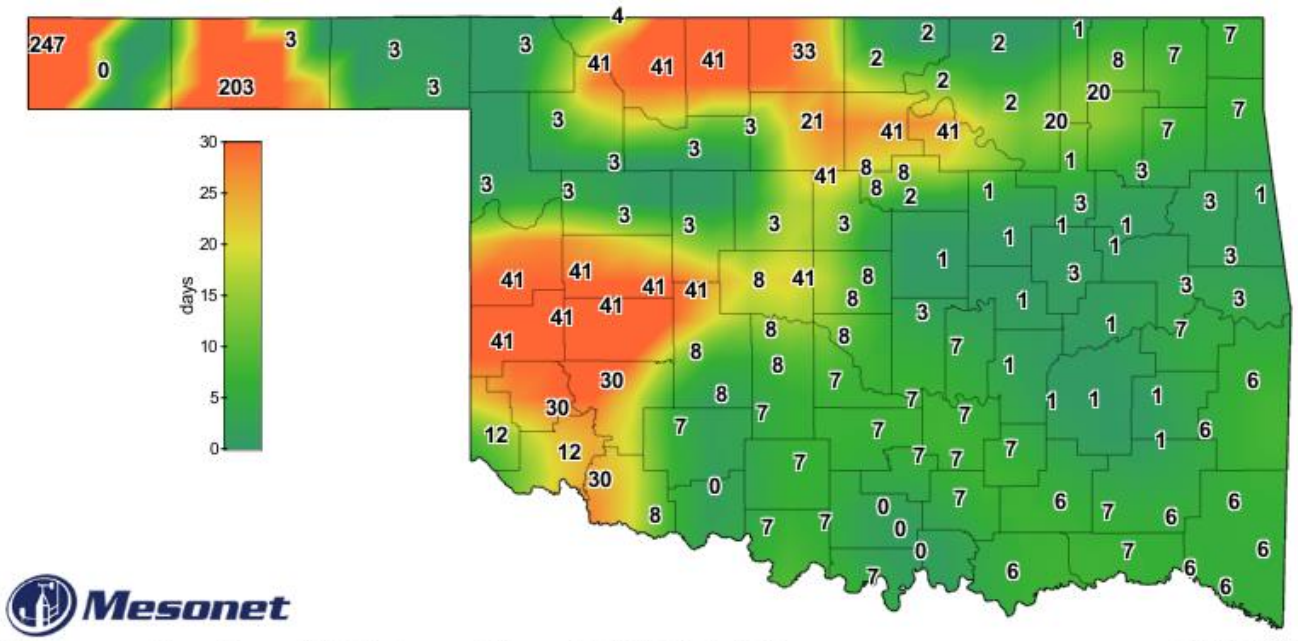
CONSECUTIVE DAYS WITHOUT RAINFALL MAP



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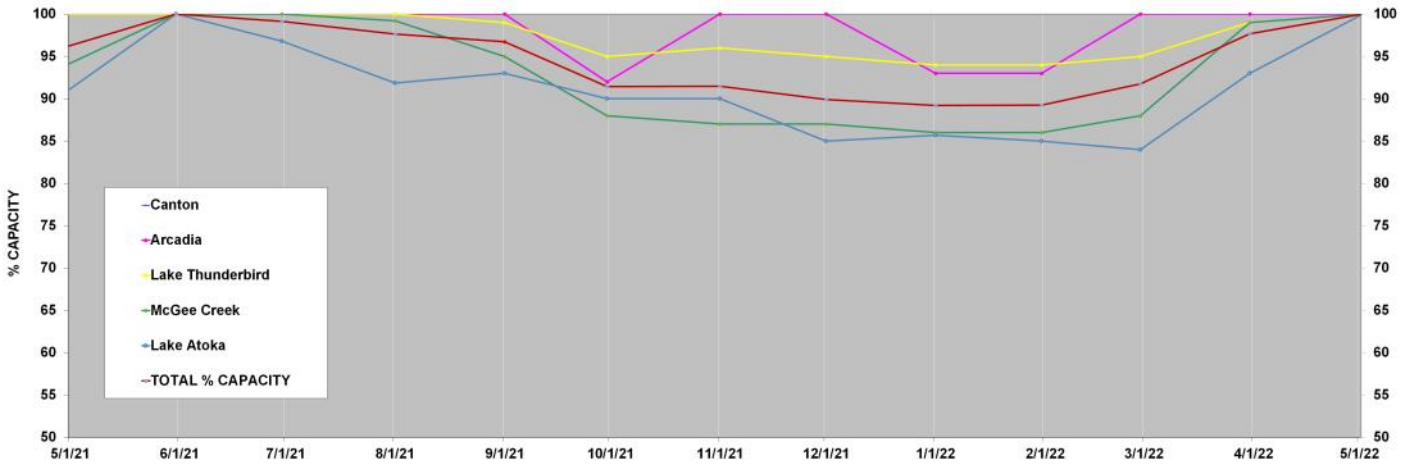
Percent of Surface Water Conservation Storage
Central OK Reservoirs



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

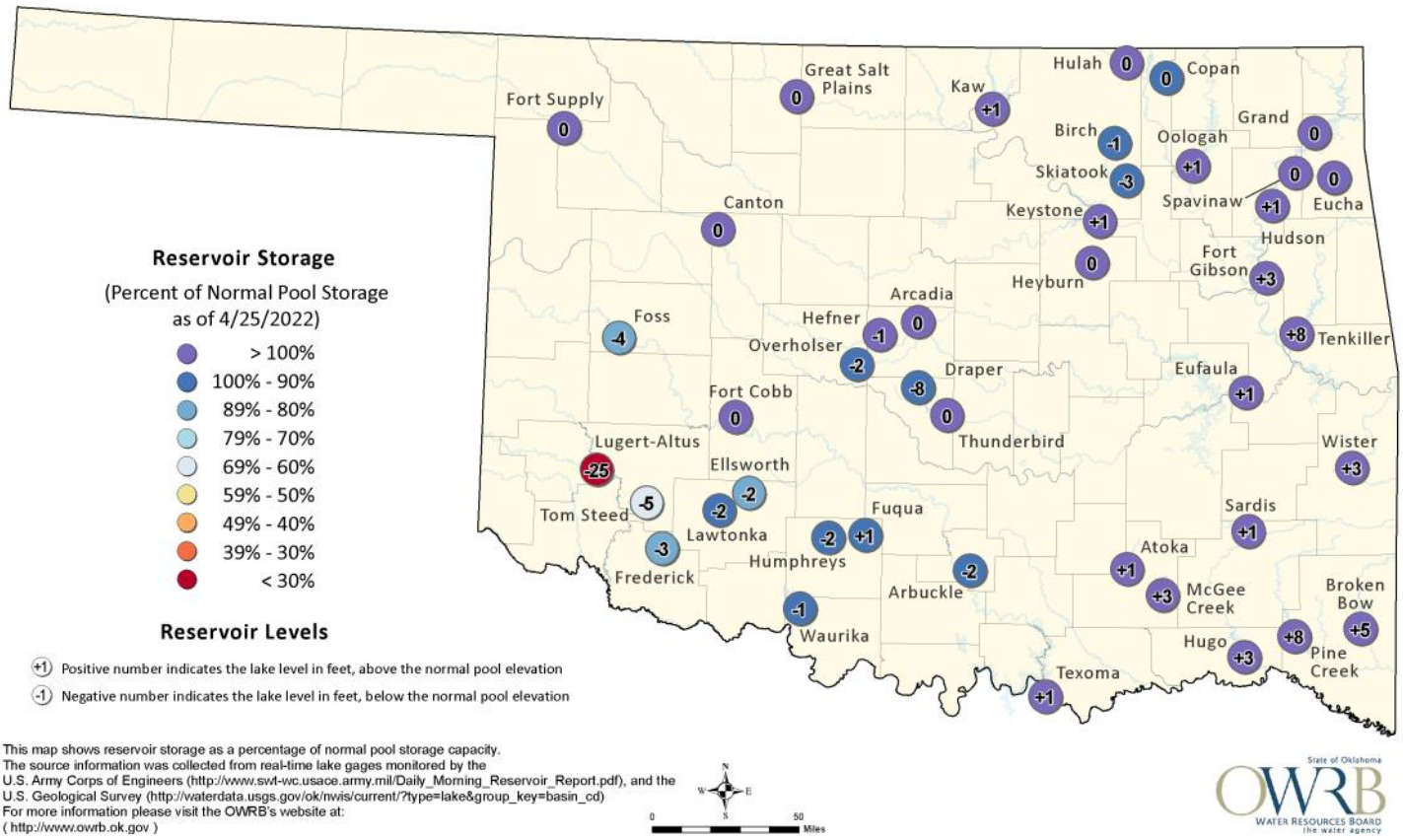
LAKE	% CAPACITY	% CHANGE FROM 3/31/2022
Canton	91.0	0.0
Arcadia	93.0	0.0
Lake Thunderbird	94.0	5.0
McGee Creek	86.0	12.0
Lake Atoka	85.7	16.0
TOTAL % CAPACITY	89.2	2.3

https://www.owrb.ok.gov/supply/drought/reservoirstorage.php

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 4/25/2022



This map shows reservoir storage as a percentage of normal pool storage capacity.
The source information was collected from real-time lake gages monitored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (http://www.swt-wc.usace.army.mil/Daily_Morning_Reservoir_Report.pdf), and the U.S. Geological Survey (http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ok/nwis/current/?type=lake&group_key=basin_cd)
For more information please visit the OWRB's website at:
(http://www.owrb.ok.gov)

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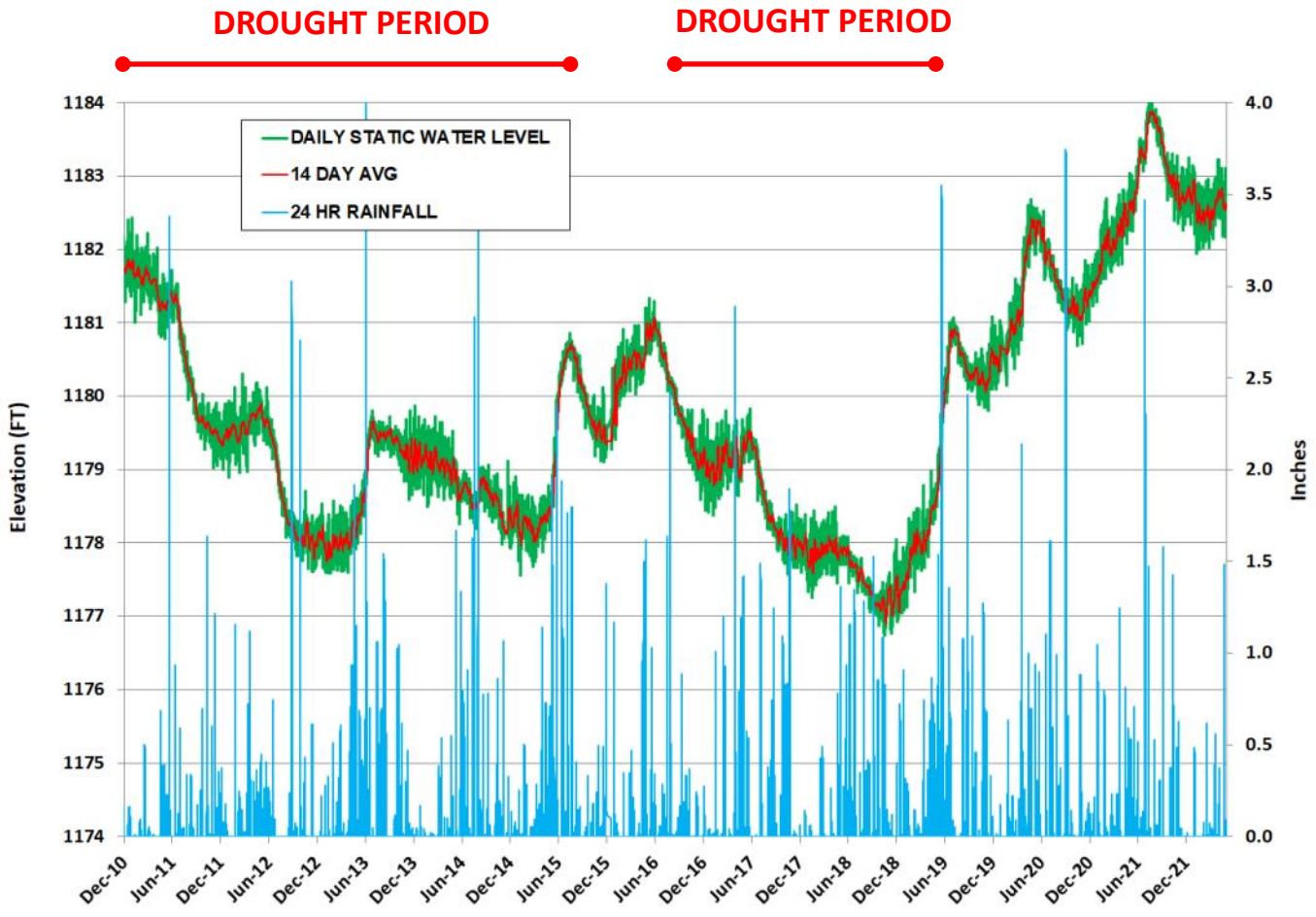
Groundwater Levels
Spencer Mesonet Station



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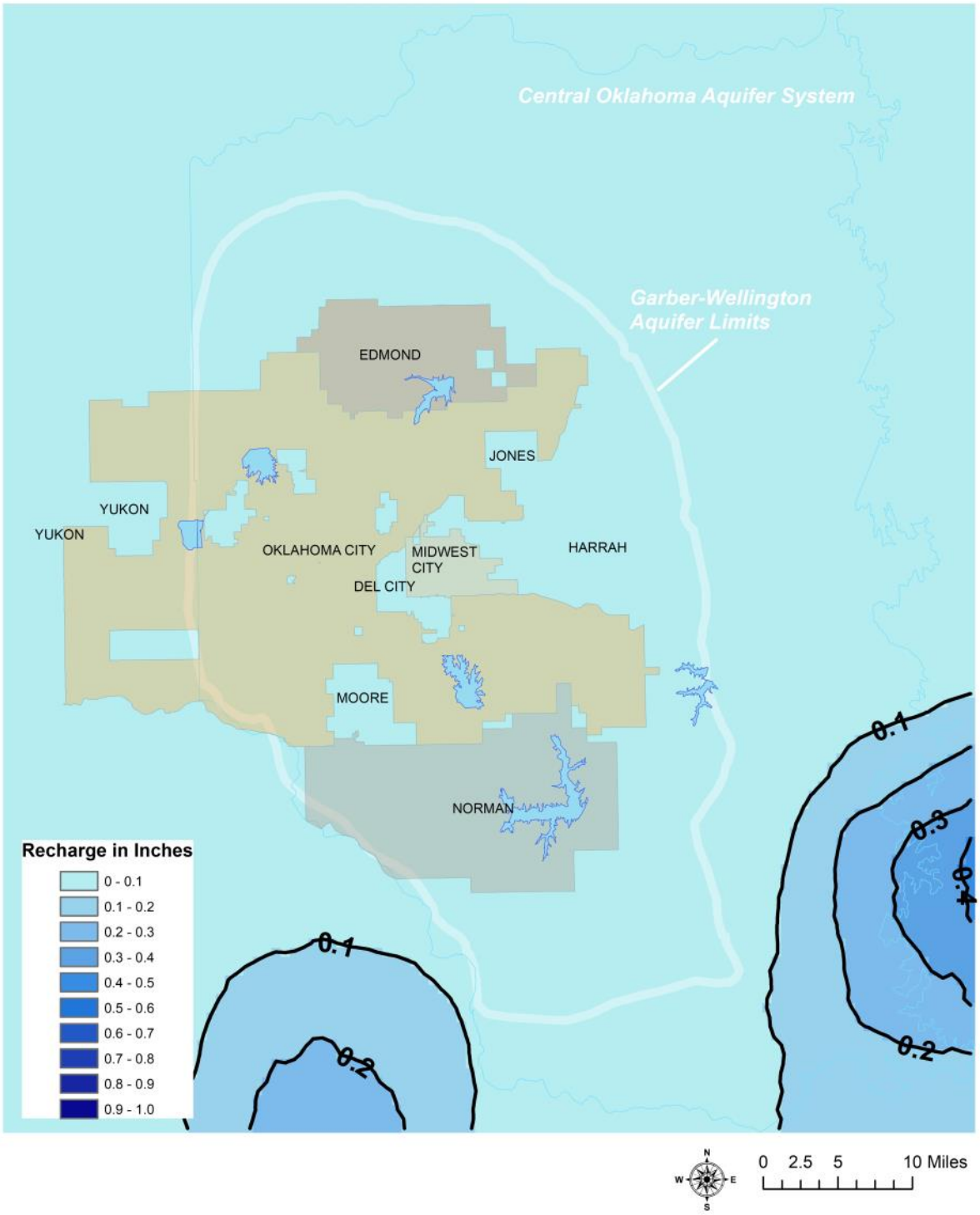
Recharge Map
Central Oklahoma Aquifer System



Recharge Charts
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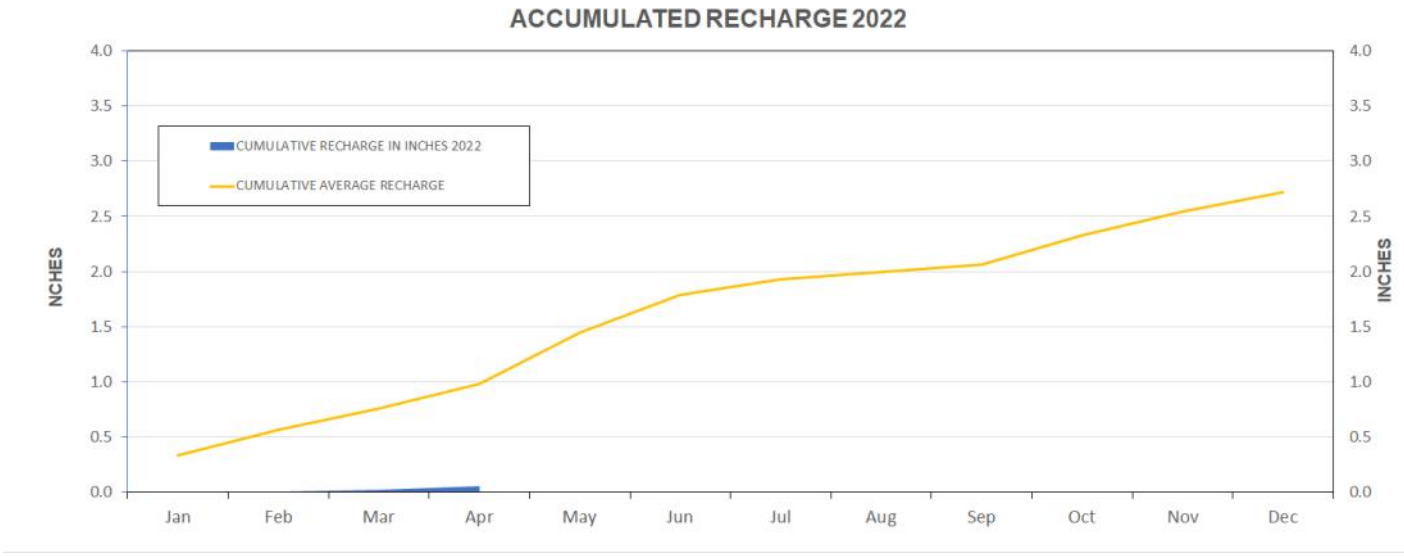
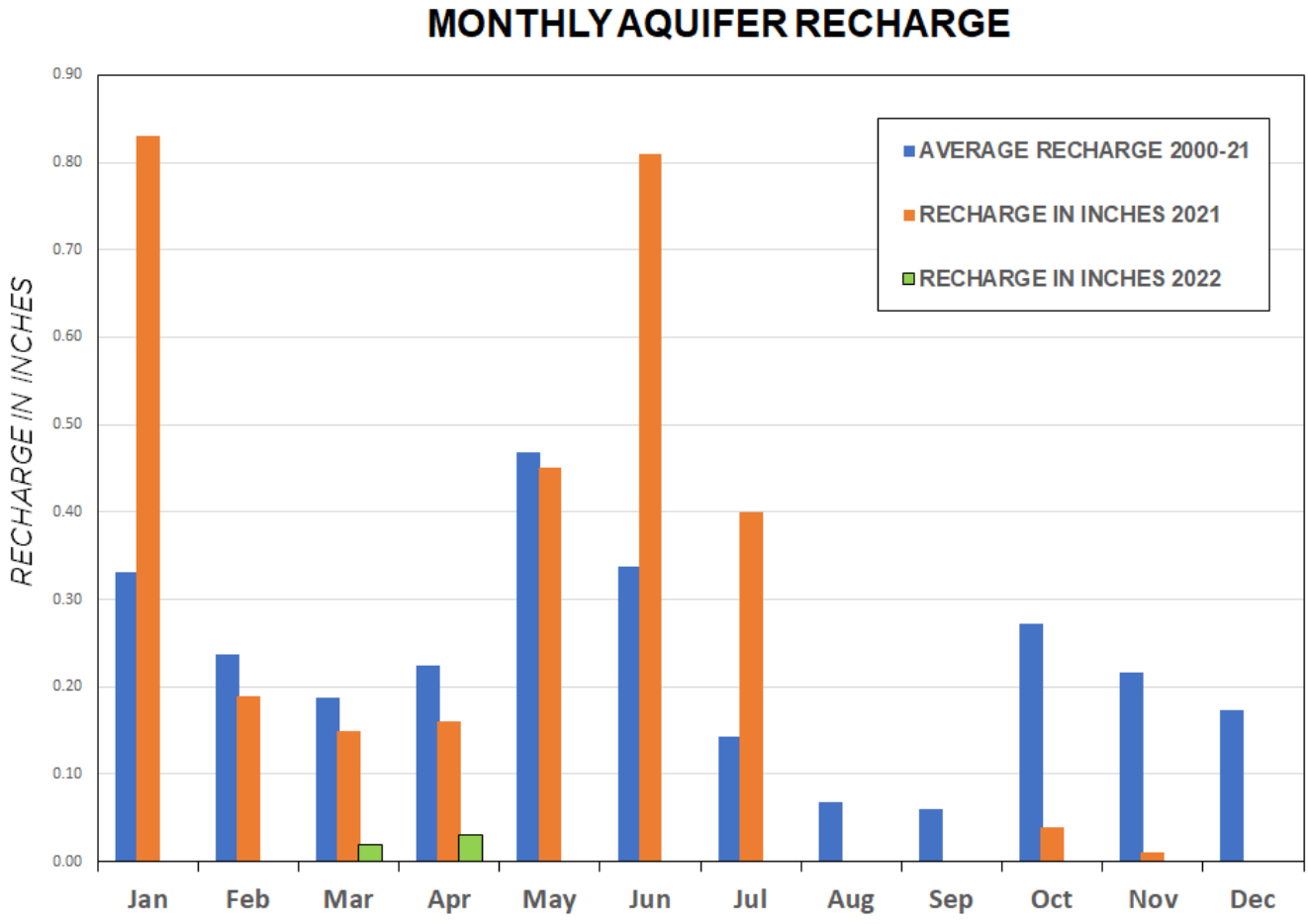
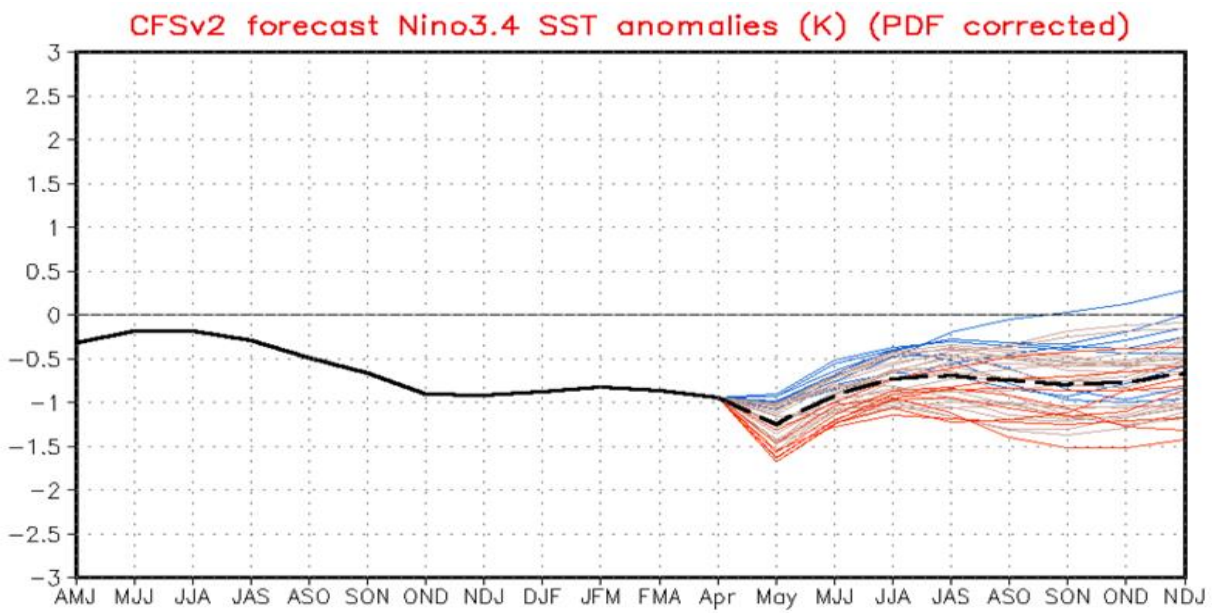
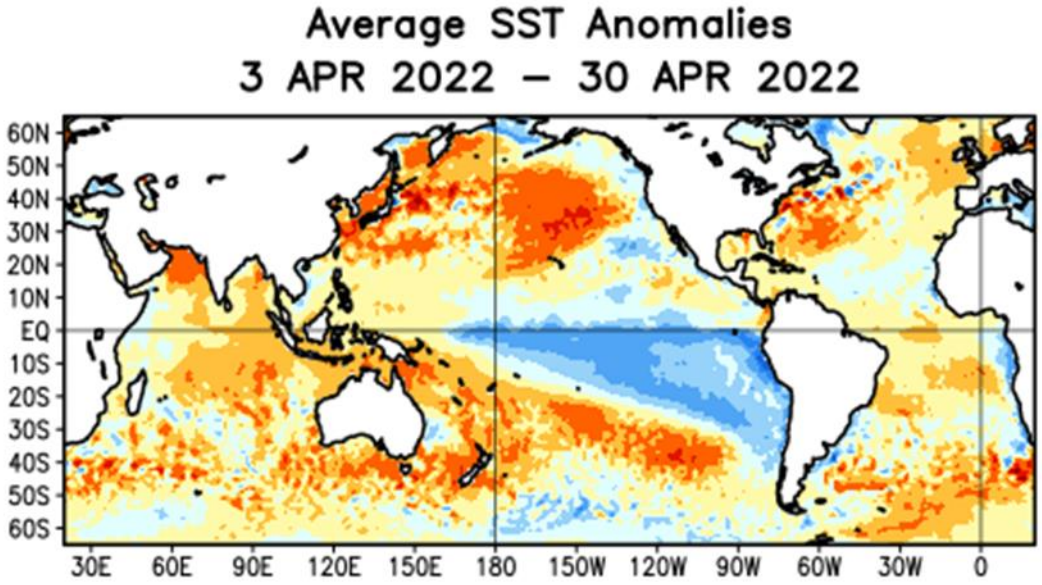




ENSO Cycle
Recent Evolution, Current Status and Predictions





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 favored to continue through the Northern Hemisphere summer (59% chance during June-August 2022), with a 50-55% chance through the fall.

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

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