Oklahoma Water Resources Bulletin & Summary of Current Conditions

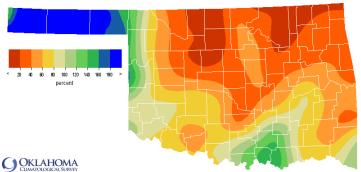


October 27, 2015

PRECIPITATION

Statewide Precipitation

	Septe	Last 3 ember 27, 201!	0 Days 5 – October	26, 2015	Last 365 Days October 27, 2014 – October 26, 2015			
Climate Division	Total Rainfall (inches)	Departure From Normal (inches)	Percent of Normal	Rank Since 1921	Total Rainfall (inches)	Departure From Normal (inches)	Percent of Normal	RANK SINCE 1921
PANHANDLE	3.26"	+1.51"	186%	11th wettest	28.17"	+7.59"	137%	4th wettest
NORTH CENTRAL	0.91"	-2.03"	31%	26th driest	32.57"	+1.15"	104%	31st wettest
NORTHEAST	0.90"	-2.84"	24%	13th driest	44.28"	+1.61"	104%	30th wettest
WEST CENTRAL	1.88"	-0.93"	67%	47th wettest	37.44"	+9.04"	132%	7th wettest
CENTRAL	1.55"	-2.12"	42%	25th driest	45.42"	+7.79"	121%	11th wettest
EAST CENTRAL	2.11"	-2.20"	49%	32nd driest	63.11"	+16.97"	137%	3rd wettest
SOUTHWEST	2.22"	-0.85"	72%	42nd wettest	39.15"	+8.88"	129%	8th wettest
SOUTH CENTRAL	3.82"	-0.27"	93%	37th wettest	61.16"	+20.45"	150%	1st wettest
SOUTHEAST	3.18"	-1.49"	68%	45th driest	56.39"	+5.80"	111%	22nd wettest
STATEWIDE	2.17"	-1.28"	63%	38th driest	45.20"	+8.73"	124%	8th wettest



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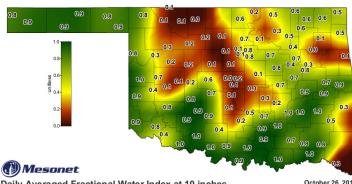
Percentage of 1981-2010 Normal Rainfall Last 30 Days

Sep 27, 2015 through Oct 26, 2015
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Last 365 Days

Oct 27, 2014 through Oct 26, 2015

SOIL MOISTURE

Fractional Water Index October 26, 2015



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Daily Averaged Fractional Water Index at 10 inches

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7-Day Change in Fractional Water Index at 10 inches

The Fractional Water Index ranges from very dry soil having a value of 0 to soil at field capacity illustrated by a value of 1. [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.]

DROUGHT INDICES

Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI)				DSI)	Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI) Through September 2015				
Climate Division	Status Climate Division 10/24/15		Value 9/19 10/24		3-month	12-month	24-month		
NORTHWEST	NORTHWEST Extremely Moist		4.14	-1.56	Abnormally Moist	Extremely Moist	Abnormally Moist		
NORTH CENTRAL	Near Normal	2.19	0.66	1.53	Near Normal	Moderately Moist	Near Normal		
NORTHEAST	NORTHEAST Near Normal		0.58	1.75	Abnormally Moist	Moderately Moist	Near Normal		
WEST CENTRAL	AL Near Normal		1.75	0.54	Abnormally Moist	Extremely Moist	Abnormally Moist		
CENTRAL	CENTRAL Near Normal		1.45	1.08	Near Normal	Near Normal Extremely Moist			
EAST CENTRAL	EAST CENTRAL Very Moist Spell		3.34	1.12	Moderately Moist Extremely Moist		Moderately Moist		
SOUTHWEST	SOUTHWEST Near Normal		1.36	0.42	Near Normal	Very Moist	Abnormally Moist		
SOUTH CENTRAL	SOUTH CENTRAL Unusual Moist Spell		2.19	0.08	Near Normal Exceptionally Moist		Very Moist		
SOUTHEAST Near Normal		0.34	-0.2	0.54	Abnormally Dry Very Moist		Moderately Moist		
extreme drought severe drought -4.0 or less -3.0 to -3.9	drought normal mois	t spell mo	very oist spell .0 to +3.9	extremely moist +4.0 and above	exceptionally extremely dry dry dry dry -2.00 and -1.99 to -1.59 to -1.30 -0.80	abnormally near abnormally mode moist mode 20.79 to -0.50 to +0.51 to +0.8 -0.79 to +0.50 to +0.79	oist moist moist moist moist of the moist moist of the mo		

The PDSI is based upon precipitation, temperature, and soil moisture, and is considered most effective for unirrigated cropland. According to the latest PDSI, the Northwest climate division experienced a moisture increase in the past month and is now classified as "extremely moist." All other regions are classified as experiencing near normal conditions or wetter (-1.9 to +3.9).

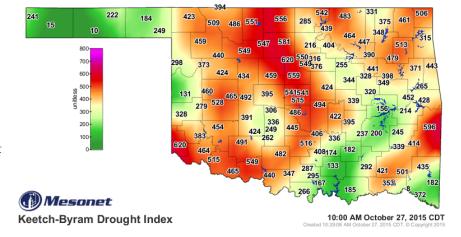
The SPI provides a comparison of precipitation over several specified periods with totals from the same periods for all years included in the historical record. All climate divisions had near normal or above normal precipitation for the 12-month and 24-month time periods. For the 3-month time period, the Southeast region had abnormally dry conditions.

Keetch-Byram Drought Fire Index

MESONET STATION	CLIMATE DIVISION	CURRENT VALUE
Hollis	Southwest	620
Marshall	Central	620
Wister	Southeast	596

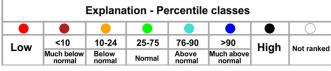
- Stations currently at or above 600 (October 27) = 2
- Stations above 600 on September 28 = 13

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index measures the state of near-surface soil moisture (within the uppermost eight inches of soil) as well as the amount of fuel available for fires. KBDI values of 600 and above are often associated with more severe drought and increased wildfire occurrence.

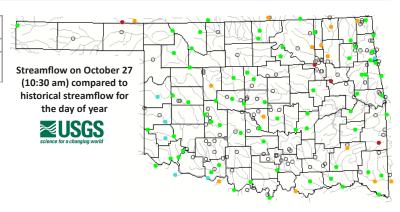


STREAMFLOW CONDITIONS

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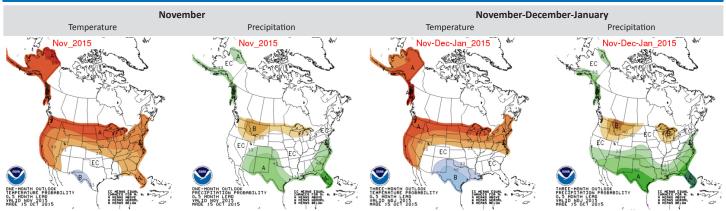


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WEATHER/DROUGHT FORECAST

Seasonal Outlook

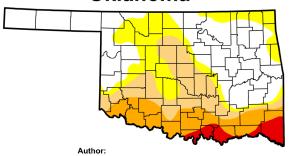


The contours on the maps show the total probability of three categories—above, indicated by the letter "A"; below, indicated by the letter "B"; and the middle category, indicated by the letter "N". "EC" stands for "Equal Chances" for A, N, or B

Regional Drought Summary & Outlook

U.S. Drought Monitor

Oklahoma



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http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	Drought Conditions (1 crocht Arcu)						
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	
Current	43.20	56.80	36.18	18.44	4.58	0.00	
Last Week 10/13/2015	43.20	56.80	28.34	18.21	3.43	0.00	
3 Months Ago 7/21/2015	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Start of Calendar Year 12/30/2014	25.63	74.37	62.03	40.84	21.74	5.70	
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	52.60	47.40	16.79	6.37	0.97	0.00	
One Year Ago 10/21/2014	22.15	77.85	64.49	55.44	20.87	4.84	

Intensity:

D0 Abnormally Dry

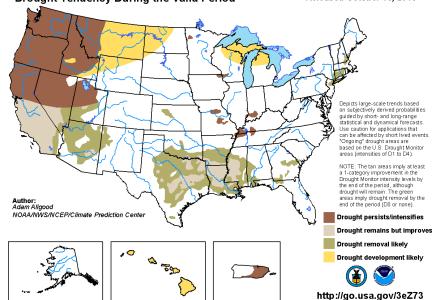
D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought

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

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

Valid for October 15 - January 31, 2016 Released October 15, 2015



According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, the number of Oklahomans currently affected by drought (category D1-D4) is 1,774,122, up by more than 1.6 million from this time last month. More than 36% of the state is now classified as experiencing Moderate Drought (D1) or worse. An area of Extreme Drought (D3) extends across far southern areas in the eastern half of the state, including significant portions of McCurtain, Choctaw, Bryan, Marshall, and Love counties. A broader area across the entire southern quarter of the state is experiencing Severe Drought (D2) or worse. At this time last year, more than 64% of the state had drought conditions with close to 5% experiencing Exceptional Drought (D4), all in the southwest part of the state.

According to the seasonal drought outlook, from mid October through the end of January drought conditions are not likely to develop in any parts of Oklahoma. Drought conditions are likely to remain but improve in a few areas in the extreme southern portions of the South Central and Southeast regions.

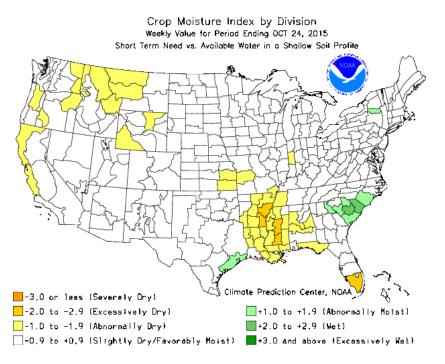
Drought is likely to persist or intensify in a huge area along the west coast, reaching inland through Idaho and Nevada and into Montana and Utah. Drought is likely to develop further eastward into North Dakota and Wyoming.

CROP REPORT

According to the latest USDA Oklahoma Crop Weather report (through October 25), topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short. Conditions of pasture and range were rated at 72 percent good to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 85 percent good to fair.

According to the NOAA Crop Moisture Index by Division, for the period ending October 24, all climate regions in Oklahoma were slightly dry to favorably moist.

Derived from the Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI), the Crop Moisture Index reflects moisture supply in the short-term across major crop-producing regions. It identifies potential agricultural droughts. It is not intended to assess long-term droughts.



RESERVOIR STORAGE

Oklahoma Surface Water Resources

Reservoir Levels and Storage as of 10/26/2015

