Oklahoma Water Resources Bulletin & Summary of Current Conditions

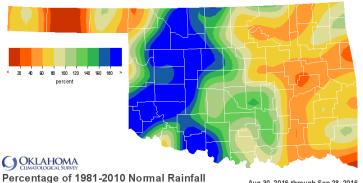


September 29, 2016

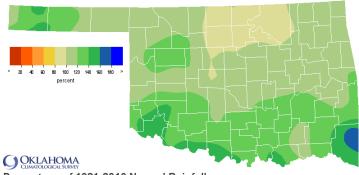
PRECIPITATION

Statewide Precipitation

| | Last 30 Days August 30, 2016 – September 28, 2016 | | | | Last 365 Days September 30, 2015 – September 28, 2016 | | | |
|---------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 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 | 1.03" | -0.74" | 58% | 25th driest | 24.16" | +3.63" | 118% | 16th wettest |
| N. CENTRAL | 4.08" | +1.18" | 141% | 24th wettest | 31.97" | +0.64" | 102% | 35th wettest |
| NORTHEAST | 3.15" | -1.30" | 71% | 37th driest | 44.38" | +1.85" | 104% | 26th wettest |
| W. CENTRAL | 5.40" | +2.59" | 192% | 10th wettest | 34.52" | +6.21" | 122% | 8th wettest |
| CENTRAL | 4.06" | +0.25" | 107% | 38th wettest | 40.41" | +2.90" | 108% | 19th wettest |
| E. CENTRAL | 2.37" | -2.34" | 50% | 28th driest | 53.30" | +7.31" | 116% | 11th wettest |
| SOUTHWEST | 5.56" | +2.53" | 184% | 13th wettest | 41.28" | +11.10" | 137% | 4th wettest |
| S. CENTRAL | 4.43" | +0.48" | 112% | 34th wettest | 53.12" | +12.53" | 131% | 7th wettest |
| SOUTHEAST | 2.94" | -1.27" | 70% | 39th driest | 68.84" | +18.39" | 136% | 4th wettest |
| STATEWIDE | 3.63" | +0.10" | 103% | 41st wettest | 43.09" | +6.73" | 118% | 14th wettest |



Aug 30, 2016 through Sep 28, 2016

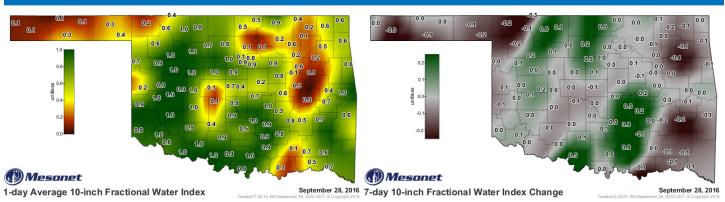


Percentage of 1981-2010 Normal Rainfall Last 365 Days

Sep 30, 2015 through Sep 28, 2016

SOIL MOISTURE

Fractional Water Index September 28, 2016



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) | | | | | Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI) Through August 2016 | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------------|---|--|--|
| Status 9/24/16 | | Value 8/30 9/24 | | Change in Value | 3-month | 12-month | 24-month | | |
| NORTHWEST | Near Normal | 2.26 | 1.65 | 0.61 | Abnormally Moist | Moderately Moist | Extremely Moist | | |
| NORTH CENTRAL | Near Normal | 0.06 | 1.67 | -1.61 | Near Normal | Near Normal | Moderately Moist | | |
| NORTHEAST | Near Normal | -1.72 | -1.44 | -0.28 | Near Normal | Near Normal | Moderately Moist | | |
| WEST CENTRAL | Unusual Moist Spell | -0.31 | 2.1 | -2.41 | Moderately Moist | Abnormally Moist | Extremely Moist | | |
| CENTRAL | Near Normal | -1.14 | -0.58 | -0.56 | Near Normal | Abnormally Moist | Extremely Moist | | |
| EAST CENTRAL | Near Normal | -0.41 | -1.14 | 0.73 | Near Normal | Moderately Moist | Exceptionally Moist | | |
| SOUTHWEST | Very Moist Spell | 2.11 | 3.7 | -1.59 | Moderately Moist | Moderately Moist | Exceptionally Moist | | |
| SOUTH CENTRAL | Near Normal | -0.2 | 0.38 | -0.58 | Near Normal | Very Moist | Exceptionally Moist | | |
| SOUTHEAST | Near Normal | 1.04 | 0.81 | 0.23 | Near Normal | Extremely Moist | Exceptionally Moist | | |
| extreme drought severe drought -4.0 or less -3.0 to -3.9 | drought normal mois | st spell moi | very ist spell to +3.9 | extremely moist +4.0 and above | exceptionally extremely dry dry dry dry -2.00 and -1.99 to -1.59 to -0.80 | dry normal moist | moderately very extremely moist moist moist moist with the following moist with the following moist moist moist with the following moist with the | | |

The PDSI is based upon precipitation, temperature, and soil moisture, and is considered most effective for unirrigated cropland. According to the latest PDSI, all climate regions in the state are classified as Near Normal except the West Central and Southwest, which are classified as experiencing an Unusual Moist Spell and Very Moist Spell, respectively.

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 precipitation or wetter for the 3 time periods shown. East Central, Southwest, South Central, and Southeast are classified as Extremely Moist for the 24-month period.

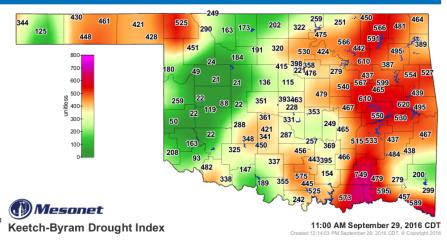
Keetch-Byram Drought Fire Index

Four stations are currently above 600 (Sep. 29).

| MESONET STATION | CLIMATE DIVISION | CURRENT VALUE |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Lane | South Central | 749 |
| Webbers Falls | East Central | 620 |
| Tulsa | Northeast | 610 |
| Okmulgee | East Central | 610 |

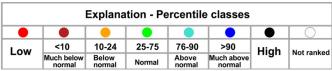
Fifteen stations were above 600 on August 31.

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.

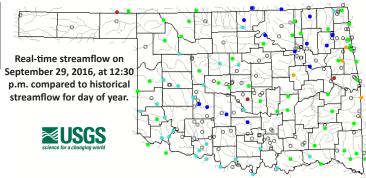


STREAMFLOW CONDITIONS

September 29, 2016

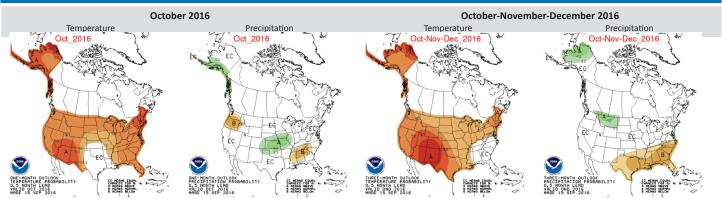


Visit waterwatch.usgs.gov for real-time streamflow information.



WEATHER/DROUGHT FORECAST

Seasonal Outlook

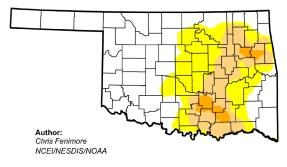


The contours on the maps show the total probability of three categories—above, indicated by the letter "A"; below, indicated by the letter "B"; and the middle category, indicated by the letter "N". "EC" stands for "Equal Chances" for A, N, or B

Drought Summary & Outlook

U.S. Drought Monitor

Oklahoma









U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook



http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/

September 27, 2016

(Released Thursday, Sep. 29, 2016) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | 00-04 | 01-04 | 02-04 | 00-04 | 5 |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 57.82 | 42.18 | 19.04 | 3.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 9/20/2016 | 55.17 | 44.83 | 13.24 | 2.39 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 6/28/2016 | 77.65 | 22.35 | 5.86 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 12/29/2015 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 9/29/2015 | 52.60 | 47.40 | 16.79 | 6.37 | 0.97 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 9/29/2015 | 52.60 | 47.40 | 16.79 | 6.37 | 0.97 | 0.00 |

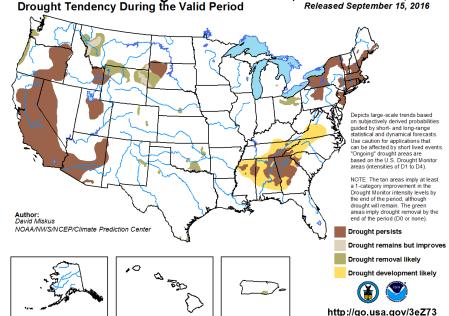
Intensity:
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The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

September 15 - December 31, 2016



According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, the number of Oklahomans currently affected by drought is 1,174,741, more than double the number at this time last month. More than 19% of the state (in area) is now in Moderate Drought (D1), and more than 3% of the state is in Severe Drought (D2).

Rainfall totals varied widely across the state in the past month with the West Central region receiving 192% of normal precipitation, while the Panhandle region only received 58% of normal. The statewide average was 103% of normal.

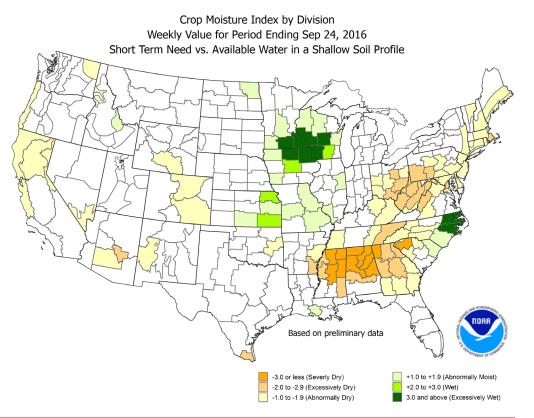
According to the seasonal drought outlook, from mid September through the end of November, drought conditions are unlikely to develop in any additional parts of Oklahoma, and drought removal status is likely for areas currently affected by drought.

Drought is likely to persist in almost all of California and many other areas across the far western states, as well as several areas in New England and southeast areas of the nation.

CROP MOISTURE INDEX

According to the NOAA Crop Moisture Index by Division, for the period ending September 24, all regions of the state are Slightly Dry/Favorably Moist (-0.9 to +0.9) except the East Central region, which is Abnormally Dry (-1.0 to -1.9).

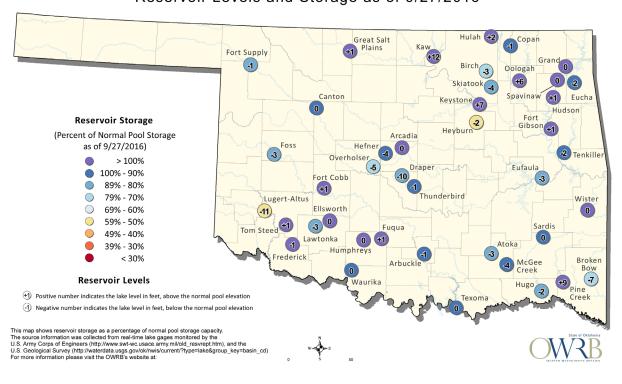
Derived from the Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI), the Crop Moisture Index reflects moisture supply in the short-term across major crop-producing regions. It identifies potential agricultural droughts. It is not intended to assess long-term droughts.



RESERVOIR STORAGE

Oklahoma Surface Water Resources

Reservoir Levels and Storage as of 9/27/2016



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