



# Drought Information Statement for Central and Southwest Kansas

Valid June, 5, 2026

Issued By: WFO Dodge City

Contact Information:

- This product will be updated monthly during episodes of D3 drought and sometimes D2.
  - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
  - Please visit [https://www.weather.gov/\[WFO\]/DroughtInformationStatement](https://www.weather.gov/[WFO]/DroughtInformationStatement) for previous statements.
  - Please visit [https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/\[link\]](https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/[link]) for regional drought status updates.
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- Drought has improved in many sections due to recent rains.



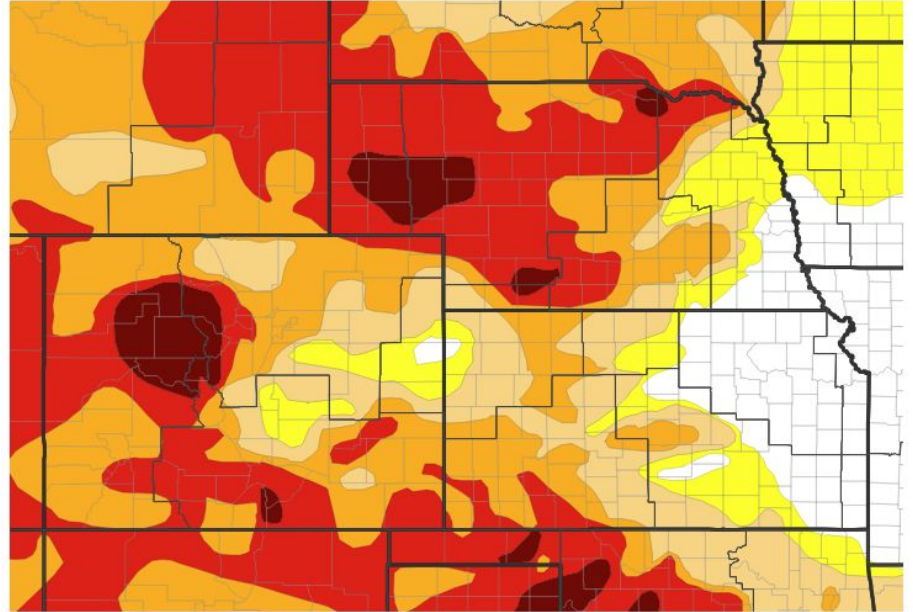


# U.S. Drought Monitor (released 5 June 2026)

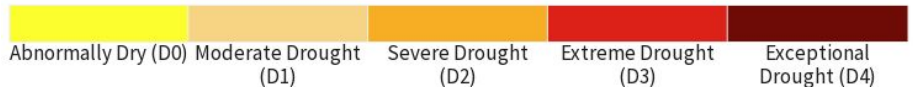
Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for the United States

- D2 and D3 drought persists across far southwest Kansas.
- There are small areas of D3 drought along a line from Elkhart to near Liberal in far southwest across the southwest corner of Kansas.

## U.S. Drought Monitor



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Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA, NASA; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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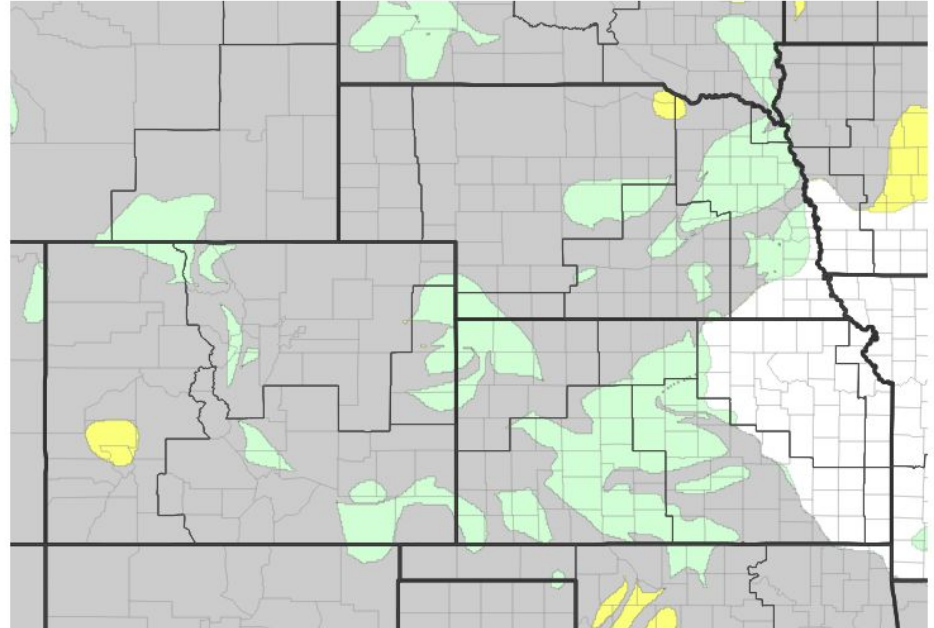


# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

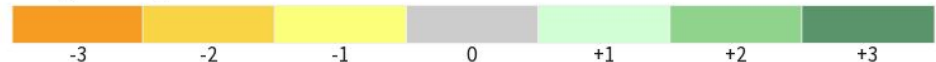
Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for the United States

- One Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
  - Drought Worsened: None
  - Drought Improvement: Drought has improved across much of central and southwest Kansas.

**U.S. Drought Monitor 1-Week Change Map**



**Drought Change Since Last Week**



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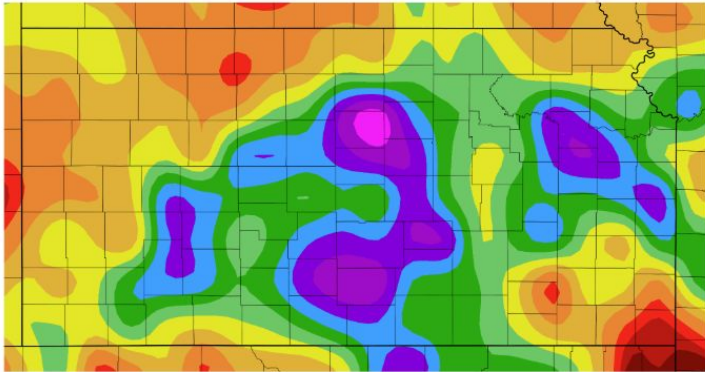




# Precipitation

- It was wetter than average across most of central and southwest Kansas over the past week. Percent of average rainfall was 150-350%.

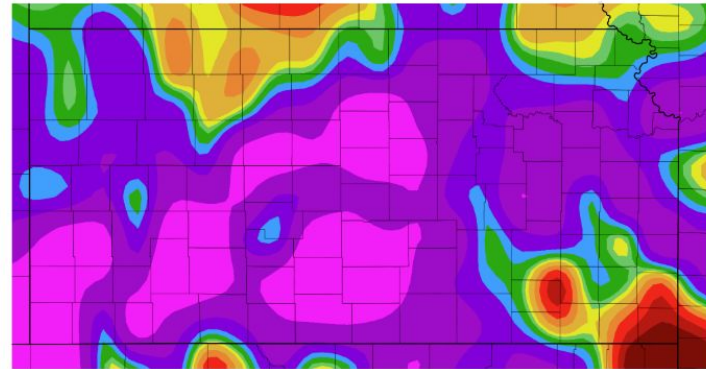
Precipitation (in)  
5/28/2026 - 6/3/2026



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Percent of Normal Precipitation (%)  
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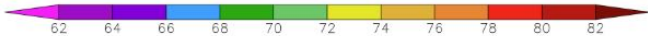
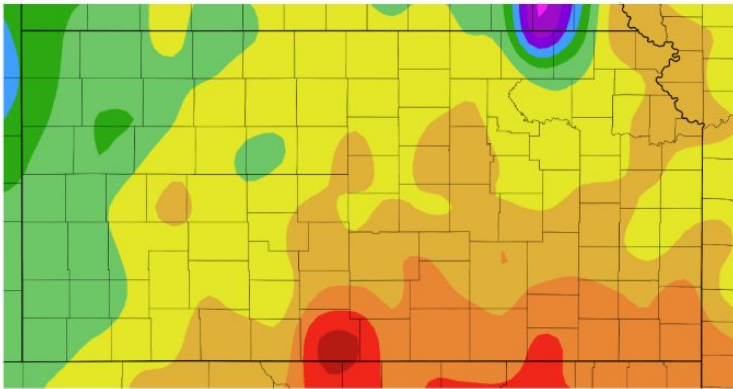




# Temperature

- Temperatures were above average over the past week.

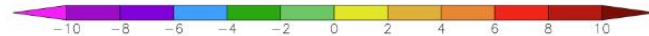
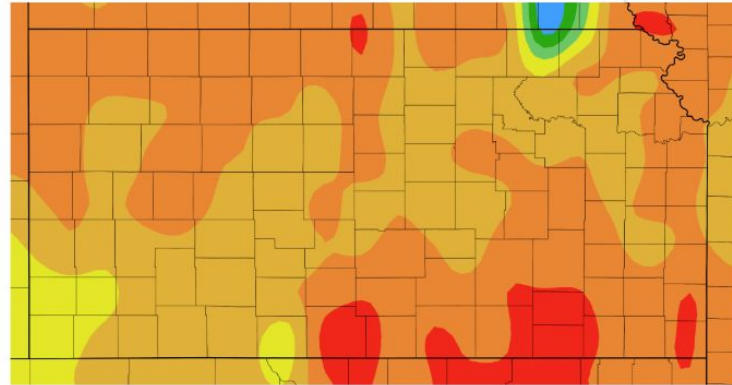
Temperature (F)  
5/28/2026 - 6/3/2026



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Departure from Normal Temperature (F)  
5/28/2026 - 6/3/2026



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# Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit [Condition Monitoring Observer Reports \(CMOR\)](#) and view the [Drought Impacts Reporter](#)

## Hydrologic Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time.

## Agricultural Impacts

- Dry land crops have suffered.

## Fire Hazard Impacts

- None

## Other Impacts

- None.

## Mitigation Actions

- None reported.

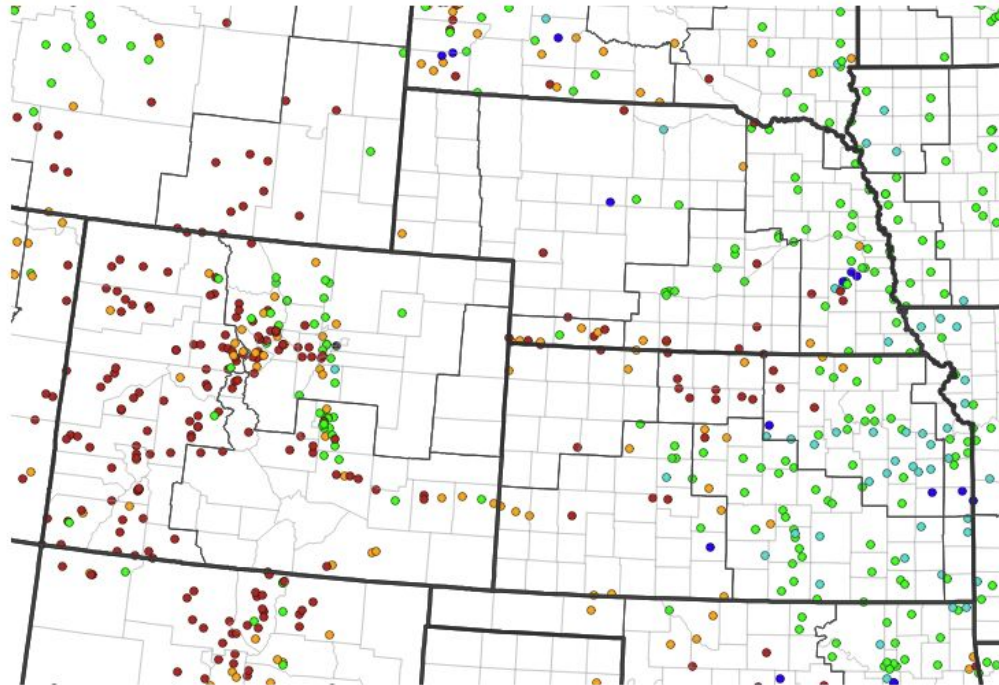




# Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflow is highly variable across southwest Kansas and is changing rapidly from day to day due to recent rains.
- Streamflow is generally normal across central Kansas and below average across far southwest Kansas.

## 1-Day Average Streamflow Conditions



### Streamflow Conditions



Source(s): U.S. Geological Survey; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Rainfall over the next week is forecast to be scattered and unorganized and generally below average.
- A few locations may see significant rain, with highest chances in central Kansas.

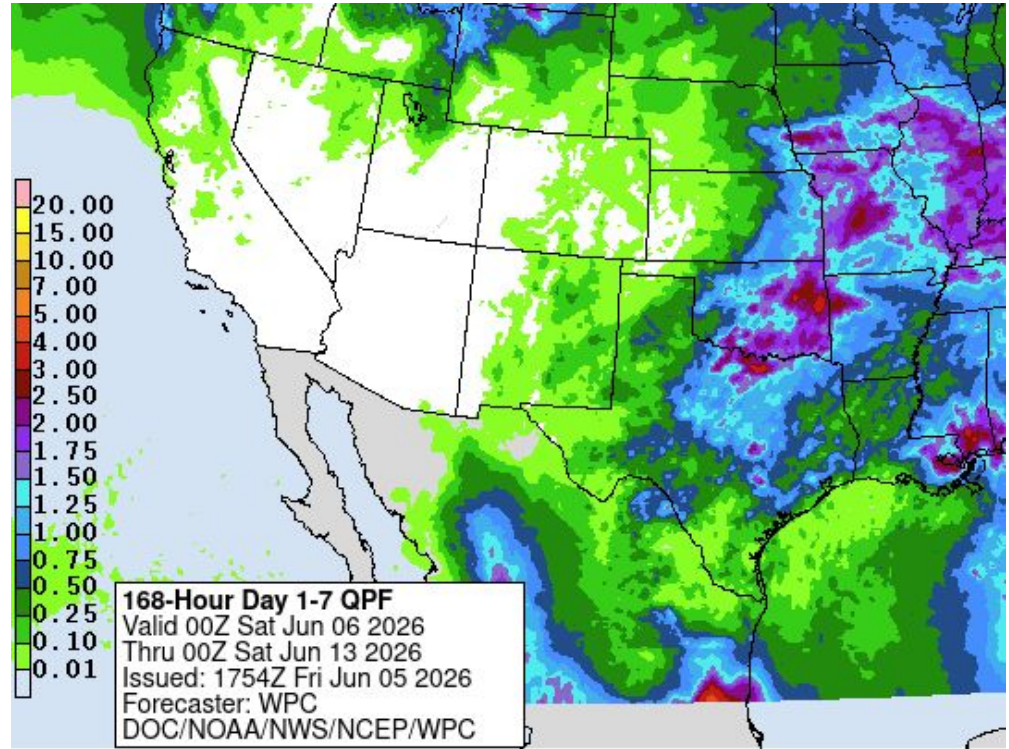


Image Caption: Weather Prediction Center [7-day precipitation forecast](#) valid 7 pm June 5th to 7 pm June 12th



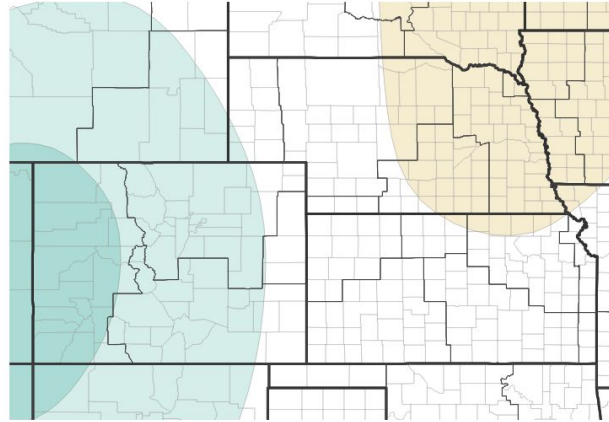


# Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- Above average temperatures are expected.
- There are equal chances for above and below average precipitation for this summer.
- Keep in mind that seasonal predictability of precipitation is low, especially across the high plains where rains tend to be smaller in scale but intense.

Seasonal (3-Month) Precipitation Outlook for June 1, 2026-August 31, 2026



Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



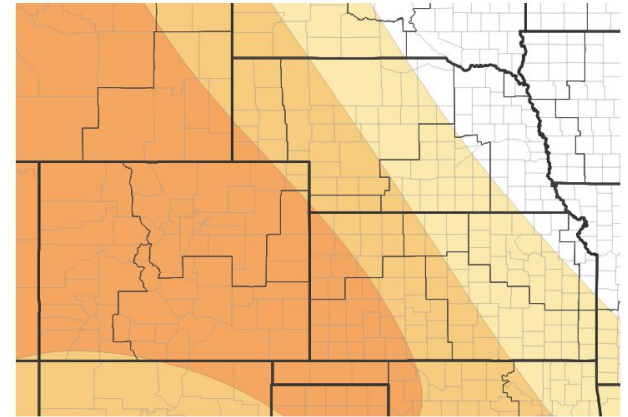
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Seasonal (3-Month) Temperature Outlook for June 1, 2026-August 31, 2026



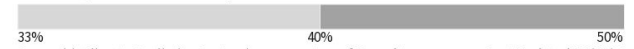
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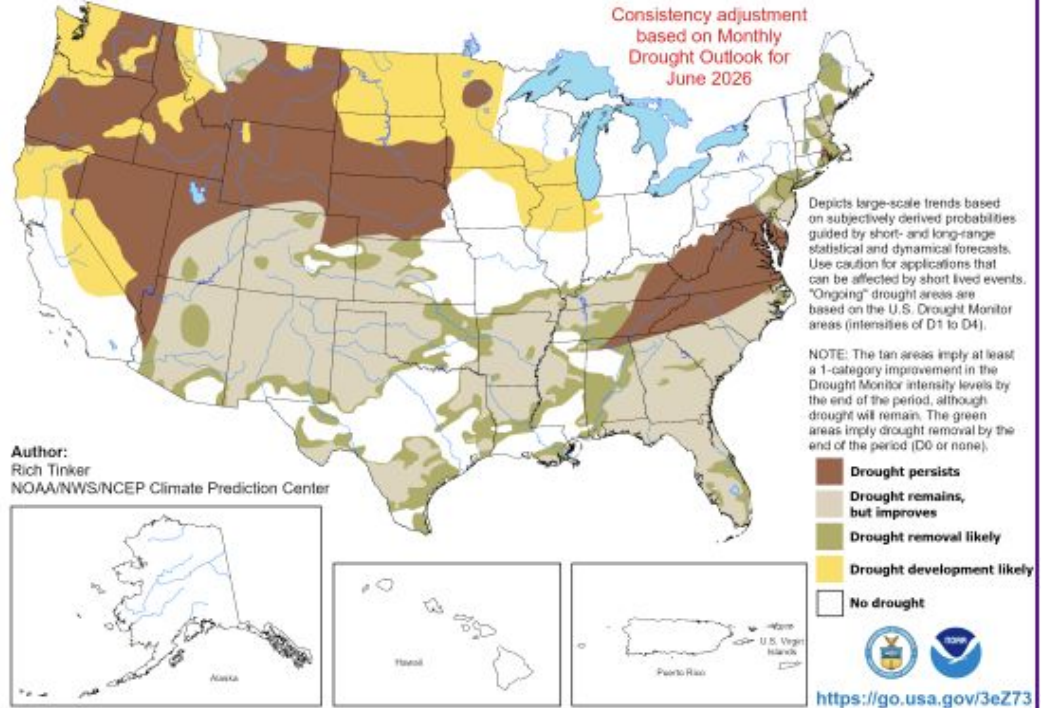
# Drought Outlook

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- Drought will continue to improve this summer, but some level of drought can be expected for some across southwest Kansas.
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## U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for June 1 - August 31, 2026  
Released May 31, 2026



Links to the latest:

- [Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)
- [Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)

