



Drought Information Statement for Tri-State Area

Valid May 6, 2025

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- This product will be updated by the 5th of each month or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
 - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/GLD/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
 - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- ENSO-neutral conditions forecast through the summer leading to below normal precipitation and above normal temperatures through at least July. This may slow down the recent drought improvements.

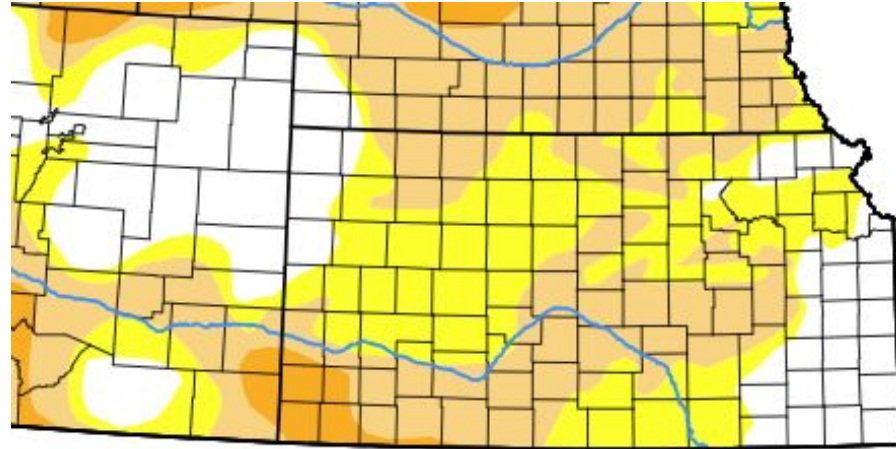
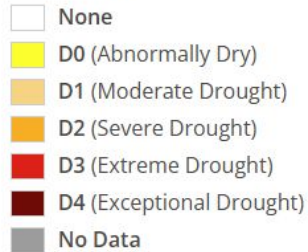




U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for High Plains

Intensity



- Drought intensity and Extent

D1 (Moderate Drought): Hitchcock, Red Willow, Rawlins, Decatur, Norton, Thomas, Sheridan, Graham, Greeley, Wichita Cheyenne (CO).

D0 (Abnormally Dry): Logan, Gove.

Image Caption: Goodland County Warning Area Drought Monitor.

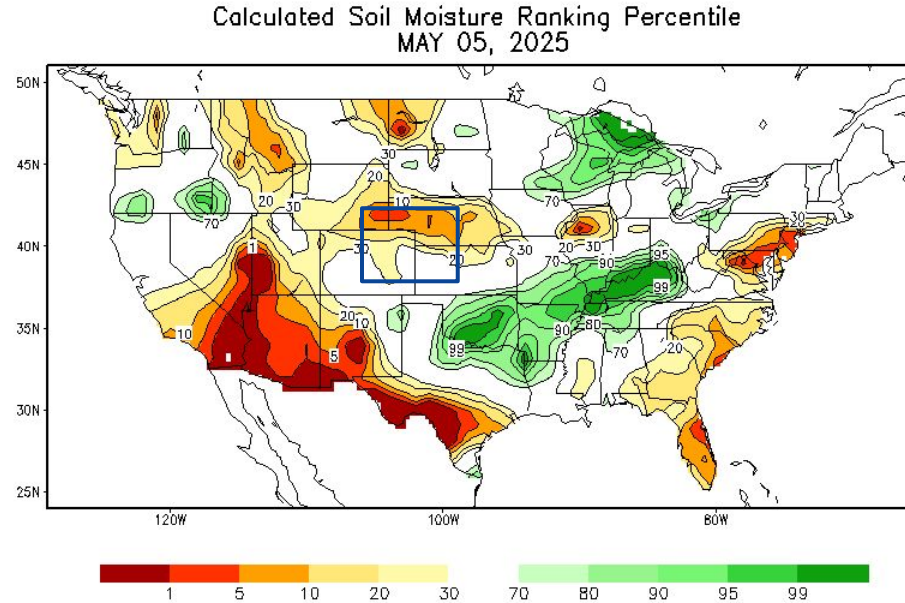
Valid 6am MDT May 06, 2025.





Agricultural Impacts

- Soil moisture remains below normal for areas north of Interstate 70, including southwest Nebraska.



CPC Calculated [Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile](#) valid May 5, 2025.

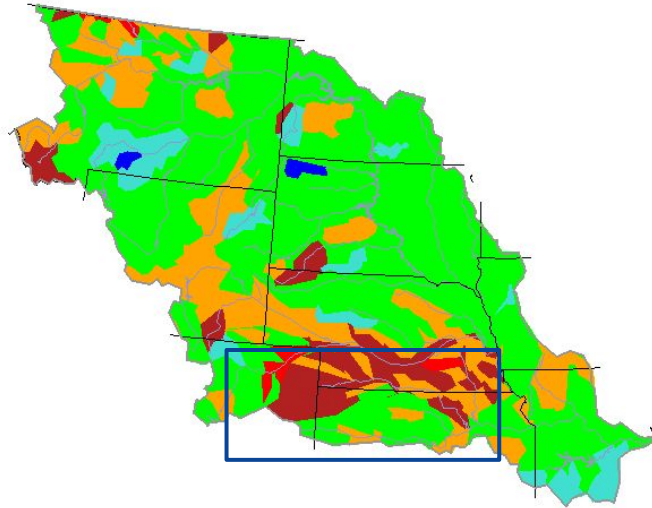




Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Stream flows much below normal across much of the area, especially Republican River basin.

Monday, May 05, 2025



USGS

Explanation - Percentile classes							
Low	<10	10-24	25-75	76-90	>90	High	No Data
	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map.

Valid May 05, 2025



Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Stream flows much below normal in many locations.

Agricultural Impacts

- USDA Nebraska Crop Progress and Condition Reports can be found [here](#)
- USDA Kansas Crop Progress and Condition Reports can be found [here](#)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Occasional dry and windy conditions during the month of April led to issuances of Red Flag Warnings. Seasonal green-up in May will mitigate some of those conditions, but not eliminate them completely.

Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.



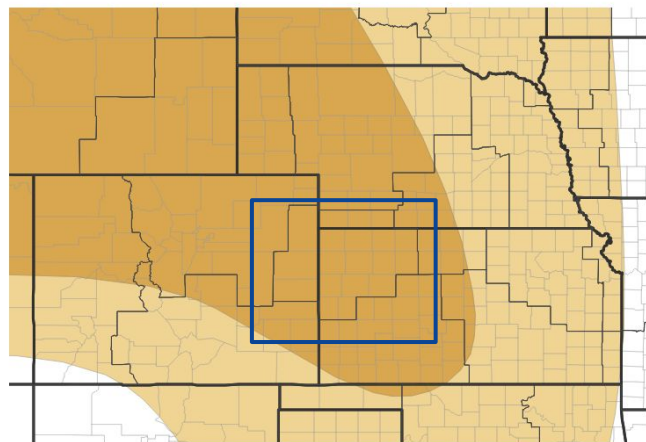


Long-Range Outlooks

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

- For the months of May through July, below normal precipitation and above normal temperatures are currently favored.
- Reflects ENSO neutral conditions and the long-term trend towards warmer and drier conditions.

Seasonal (3-Month) Precipitation Outlook for May 1, 2025–July 31, 2025



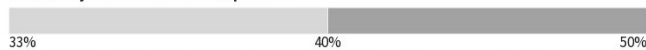
Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



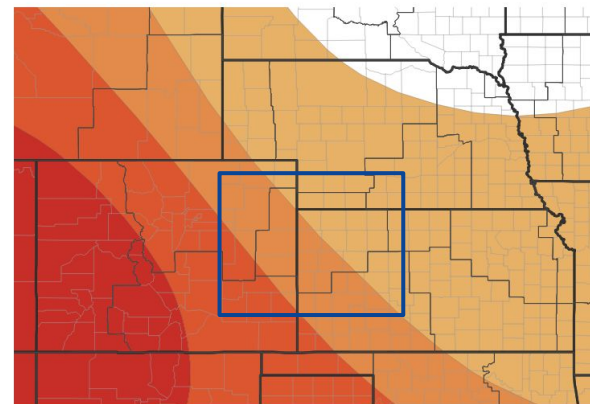
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



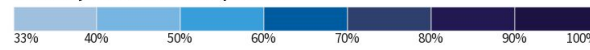
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Seasonal (3-Month) Temperature Outlook for May 1, 2025–July 31, 2025



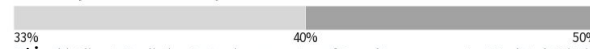
Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



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Image Captions:
Left - [Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Precipitation Outlook.](#)
Right - [Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Temperature Outlook.](#)

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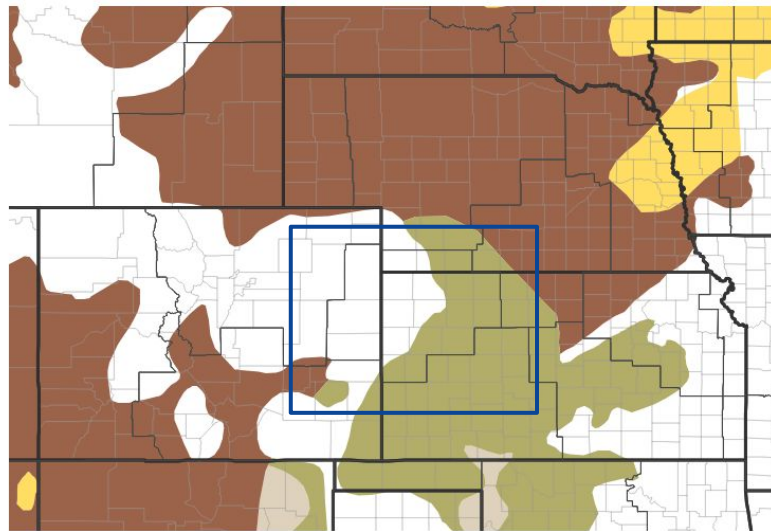


Drought Outlook

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- Seasonal outlook through July (right) shows drought improving or ending.
- Continuation of trends seen over the past few months as drought has improved west to east.
- However, the seasonal precipitation outlook through July suggests that the rate of improvement may temporarily slow.

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for April 30,
2025–July 31, 2025



Drought Is Predicted To...



Image Caption:

Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook Released April 30, 2025.

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Links to the latest:

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



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