



Drought Information Statement for Tri-State Area

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- This product will be updated by the 5th of each month or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
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 - 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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- The Tri-State area currently has a wide range of drought conditions: from exceptional drought (D4, the highest level) in Red Willow County, to abnormally dry (D0, the lowest level) in Sherman County.
 - Recent rainfall has improved conditions in parts of Colorado and Kansas, but drought conditions continue to worsen in parts of Nebraska that did not receive as much rain.





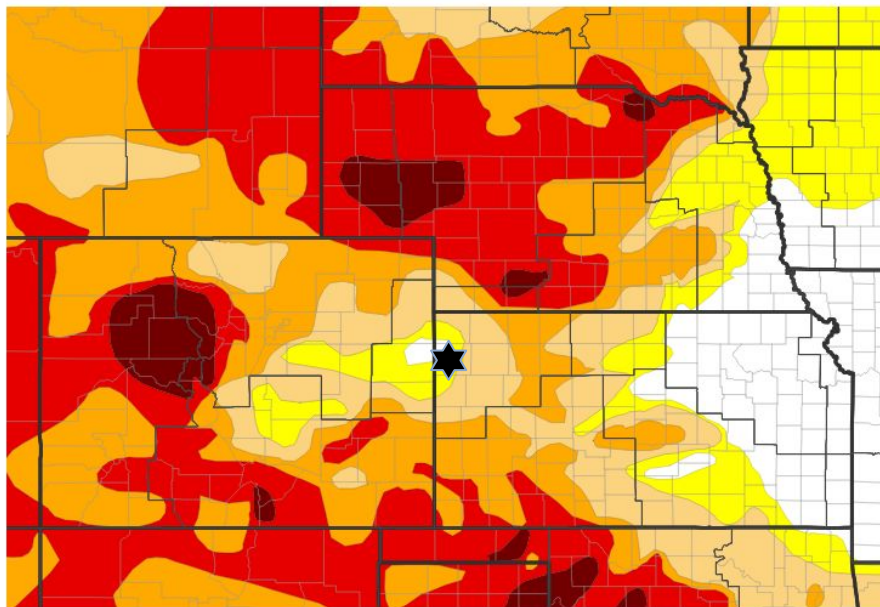
U.S. Drought Monitor

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

Drought intensity and Extent by County

- **Exceptional Drought:** Red Willow
- **Extreme Drought:** Hitchcock
- **Severe Drought:** Decatur, Norton, Sheridan, Graham, Gove, Greeley, Wichita, Cheyenne CO
- **Moderate Drought:** Yuma, Dundy, Rawlins, Thomas, Logan, Cheyenne KS, Wallace
- **Abnormally Dry:** Kit Carson, Sherman

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Data Valid: 06/02/26



Star is centered on Goodland in all following maps.

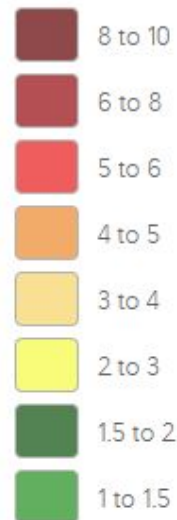
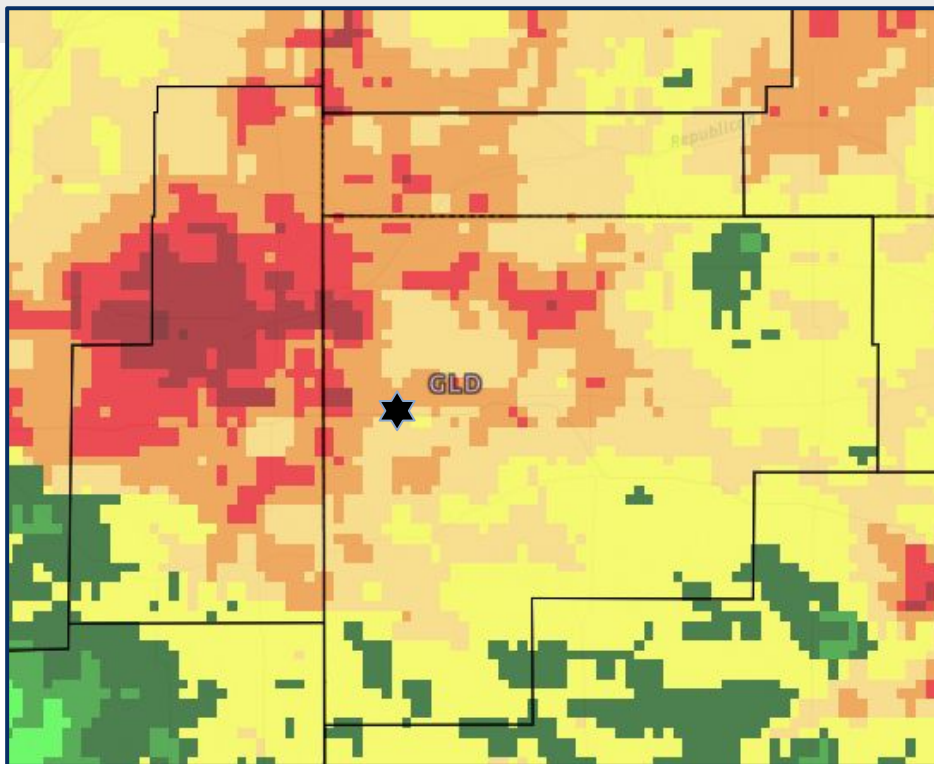


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May Precipitation - Observed

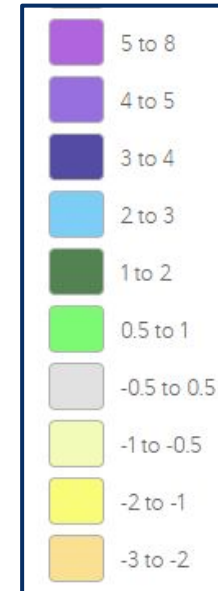
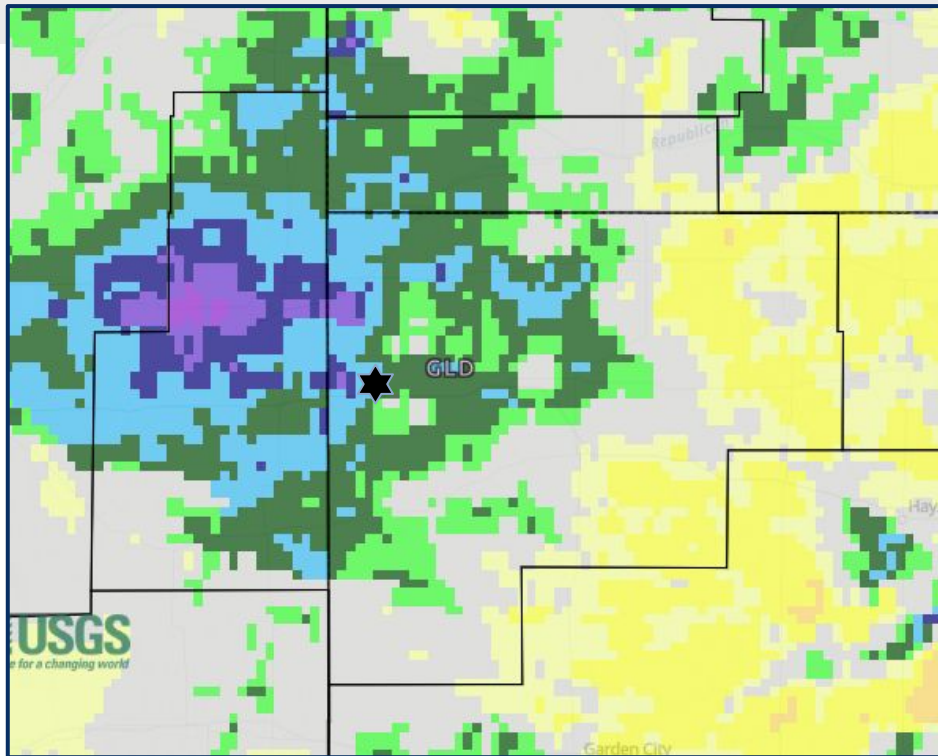


Actual precipitation amounts in May varied by a large amount across the area. The heaviest rain occurred from Yuma and Kit Carson counties in Colorado to Sherman and Cheyenne counties in Kansas (red shading). The lowest amounts occurred generally south of Highway 40 and east of Highway 83 (green and yellow shading).





May Precipitation - Departure from Normal



May precipitation amounts compared to normal ranged from much above normal in eastern Colorado and adjacent areas of Kansas and Nebraska (blue and purple shading) to below normal general east of Highway 83 (yellow shading).





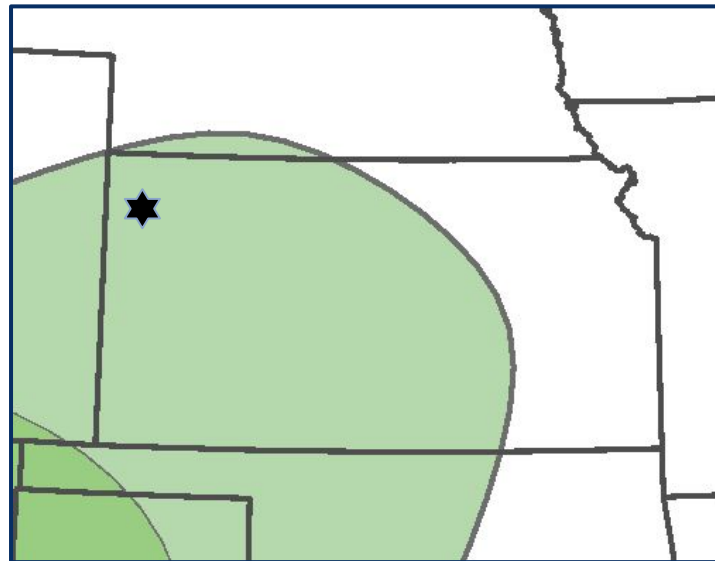
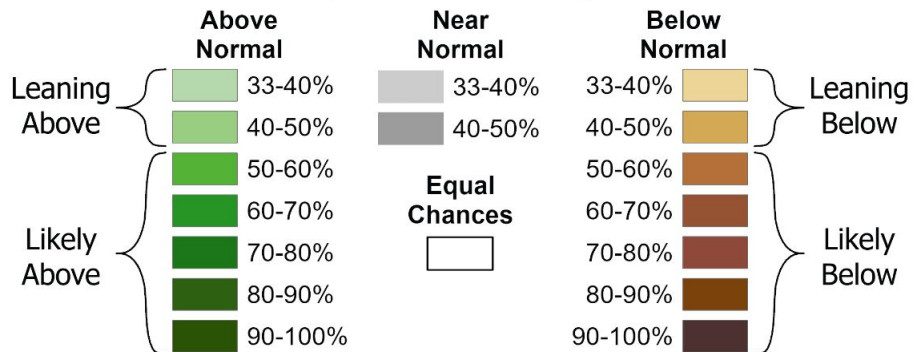
Monthly Precipitation Outlook: June 2026

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

Comments:

- Above normal precipitation is slightly favored (33-40% chance).

Probability (Percent Chance)





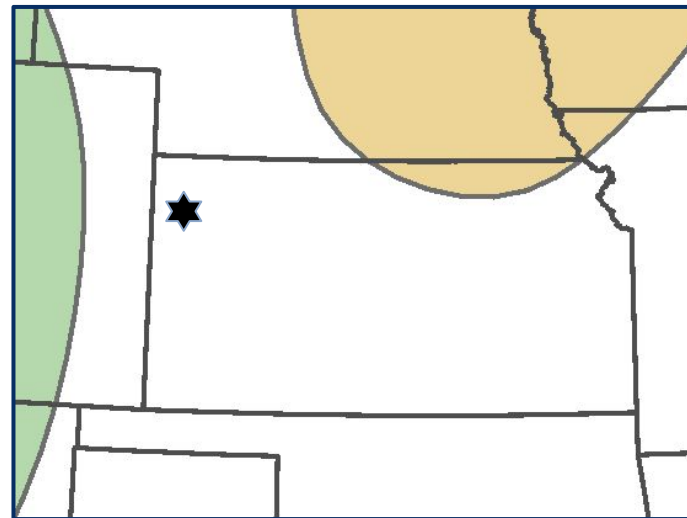
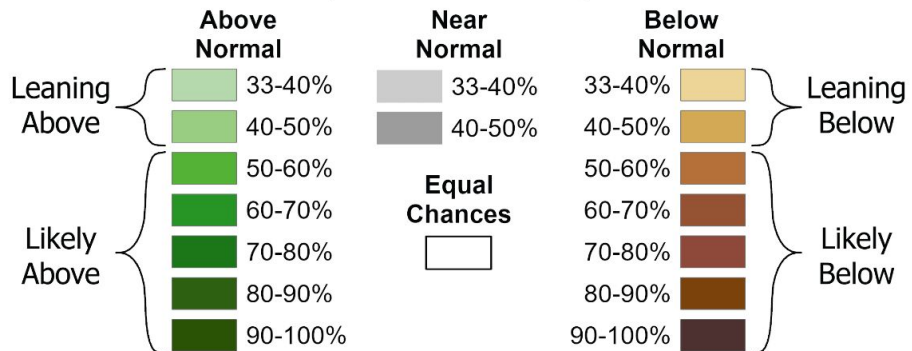
Seasonal Precipitation Outlook: June-August 2026

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Comments

- Equal chances for below, above or near normal in the Tri State area.

Probability (Percent Chance)



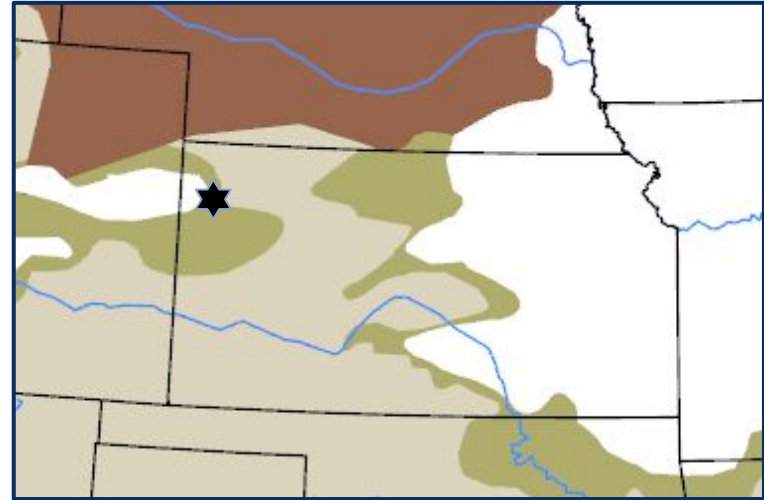
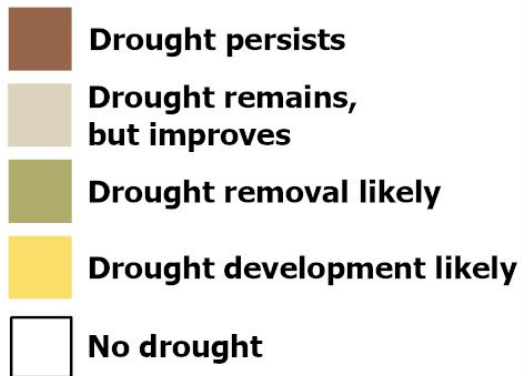


Seasonal Drought Outlook: Through August 2026

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Comments

- Improvement generally forecast across the area.
- May persist in Nebraska.





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

- 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

- Fuels are dry across the entire area. Windy days with low humidity will have a risk for wildfires.
- **Other Impacts** : There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

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





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