



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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- Above normal rain in August results in elimination of drought in the Tri State area.
 - Some signals that drought may develop in northeast Colorado by November.





U.S. Drought Monitor

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

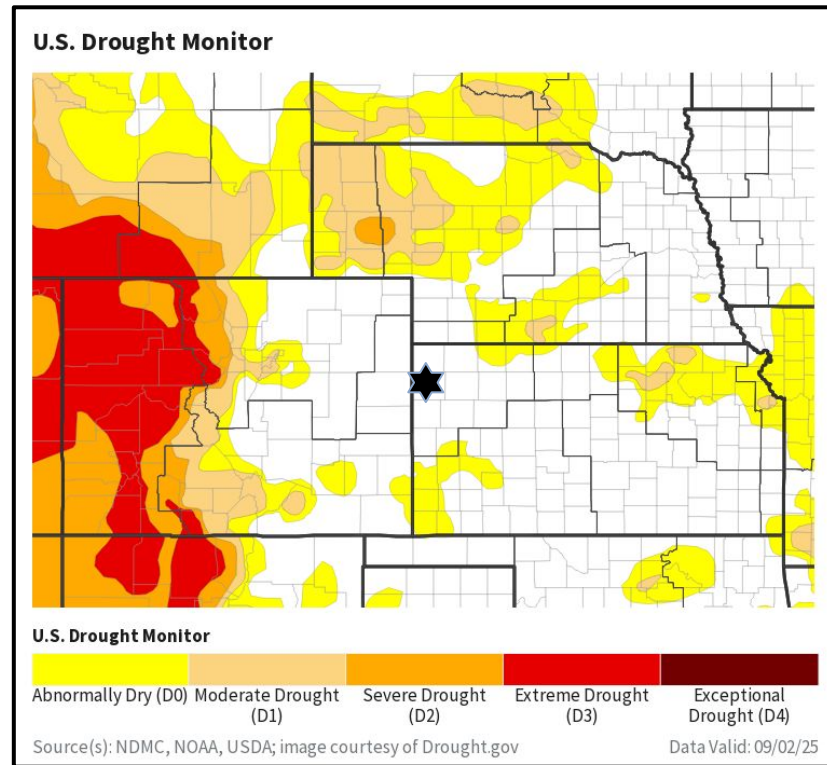
Drought intensity and Extent by County

- D0 (Dry): Red Willow, Decatur, Norton, Wichita.

Comments

- Due to above normal rainfall in August, no drought is currently indicated in the Tri State area.
- Some abnormally dry areas persist.

★ Star is centered on Goodland in all following maps.





Recent Change in Drought Intensity

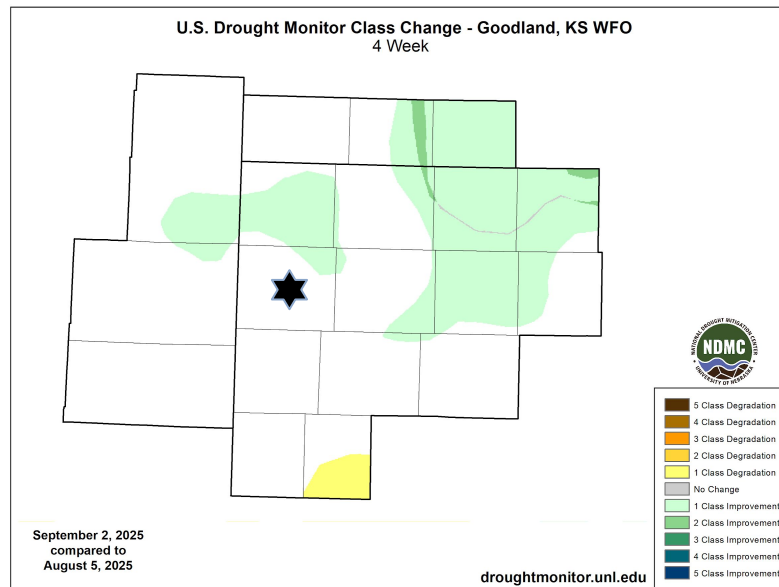
Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for CONUS

4 Week Drought Monitor Class Change.

- Drought Worsened: a small area of abnormally dry conditions in Wichita County, Kansas.
- No Change: none.
- Drought Improved: areas in green, including parts of northwest Kansas and southwest Nebraska.

Comments

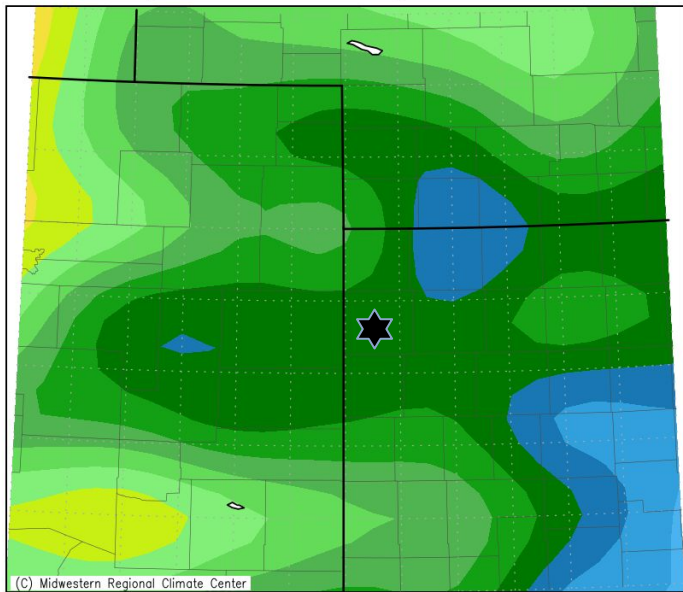
- Improvements of up to two categories due to above normal rain in August.





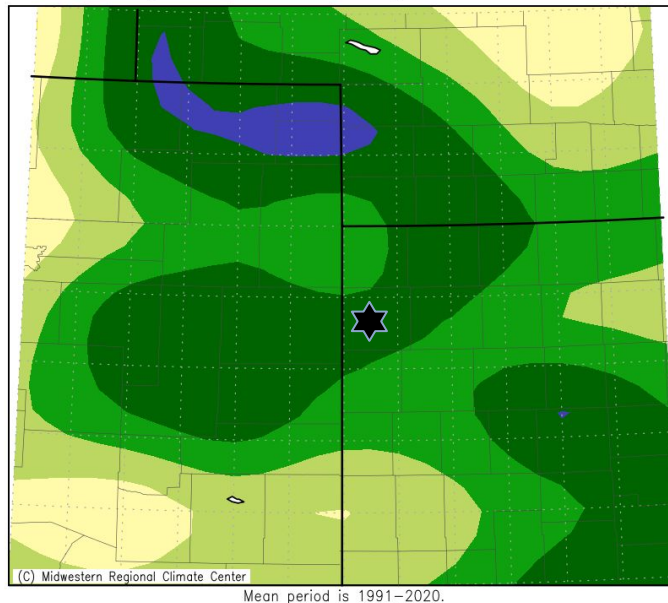
August Precipitation - Tri-State Area

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025



Actual precipitation amounts in August ranged from 2" to 6", highest amounts in blue.

Accumulated Precipitation: Percent of Mean
August 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025

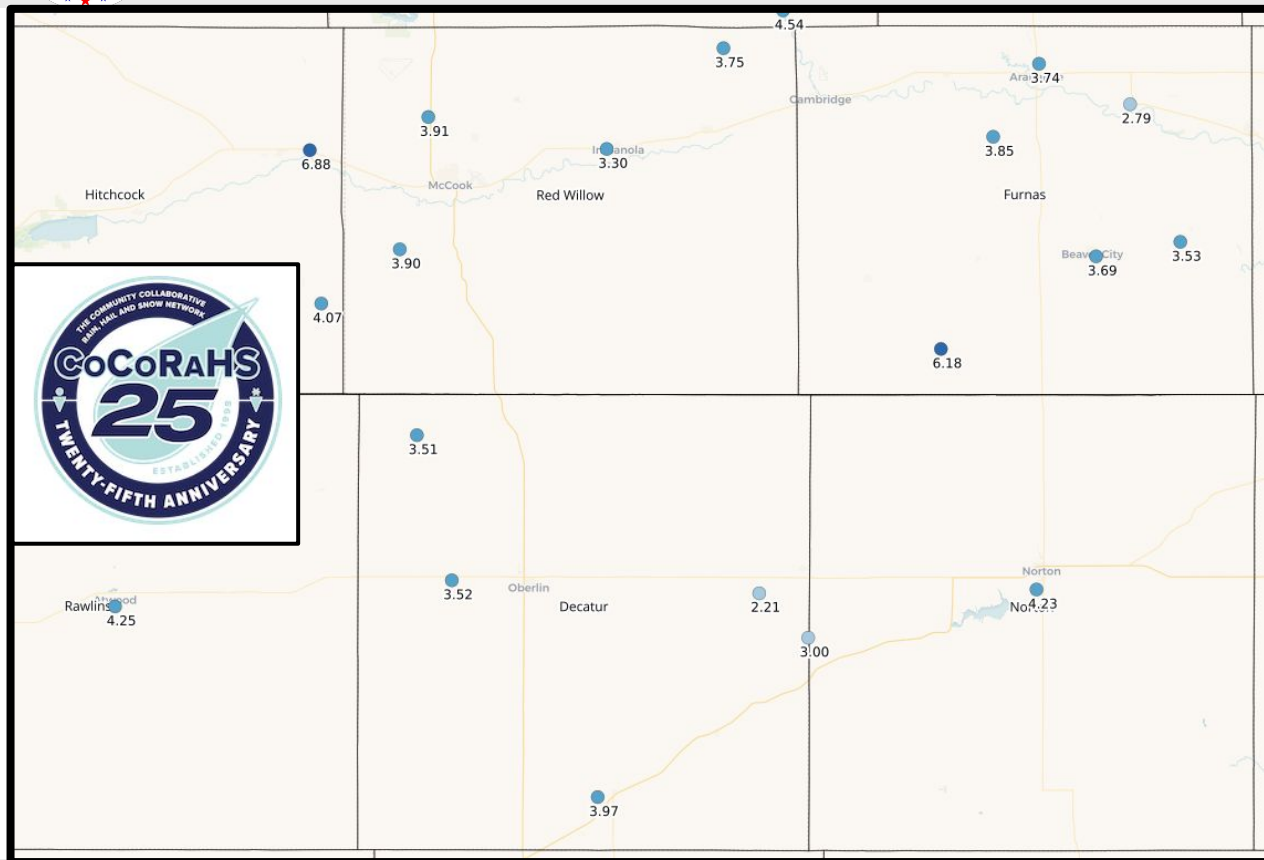


August precipitation compared to normal shows above normal in most of the area (green shading).





August Precipitation - Local Highlight



Comments

- 3" to 7" of rain was reported in Hitchcock, Red Willow, Rawlins, Decatur and Norton counties in August.
- Drought improvement of up to 2 categories in this area compared to last month.
- Data courtesy of CoCoRaHS.





Monthly Precipitation Outlook: September 2025

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

Comments:

- Above normal precipitation slightly favored in most areas in September.
- Equal chances for above, below or near normal in northeast Colorado.





Seasonal Precipitation Outlook: Sep-Oct-Nov 2025

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Comments

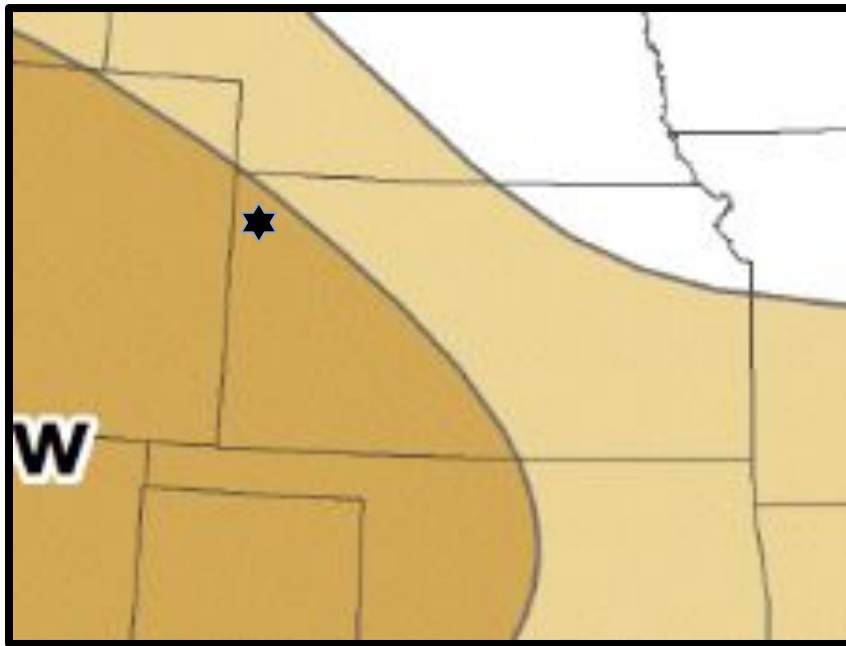
- Below normal favored for the entire area through November.

Below Normal

33-40%

40-50%

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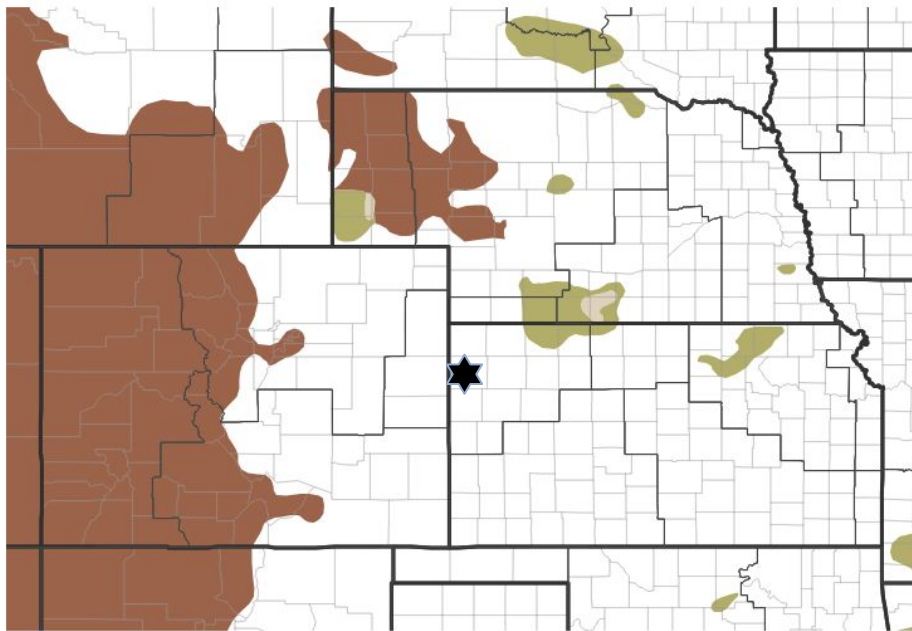
Monthly Drought Outlook: September 2025

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Comments

- September outlook shows drought removal likely in remaining areas.

1-Month Drought Outlook for September 1, 2025–September 30, 2025



Drought Is Predicted To...



Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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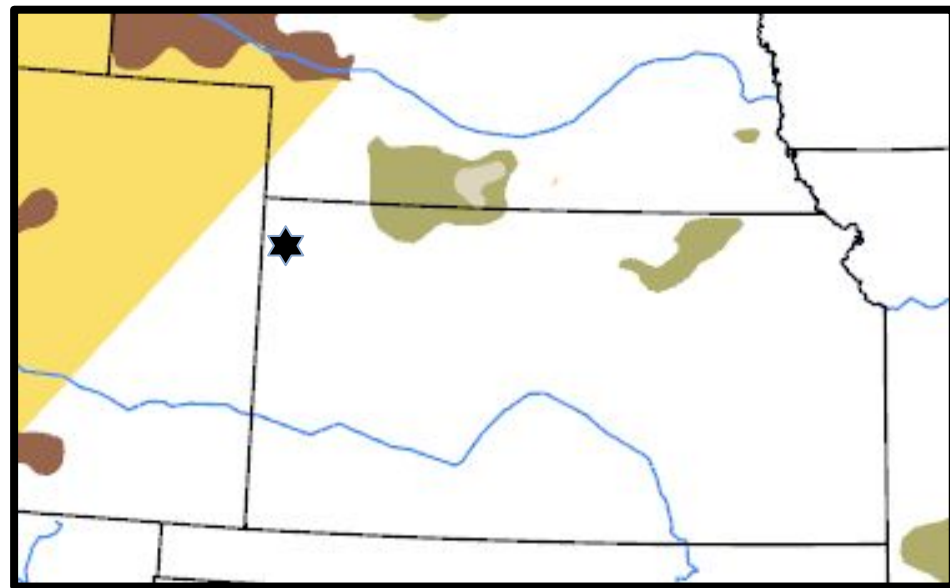
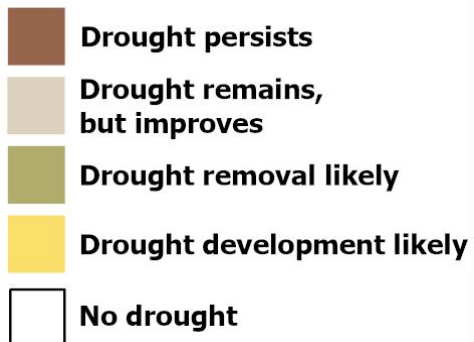


Seasonal Drought Outlook: September-November 2025

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Comments

- Outlook shows drought development likely in northeast Colorado by November.



Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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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

- 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 currently not conducive for fire growth in most locations, though they are mixed in northeast Colorado where conditions have been drier.
- **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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