



# Drought Information Statement for Tri-State Area

Valid October 5, 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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- Tri-State area drought free as above normal rain continues in September.





# U.S. Drought Monitor

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

## Drought intensity and Extent by County

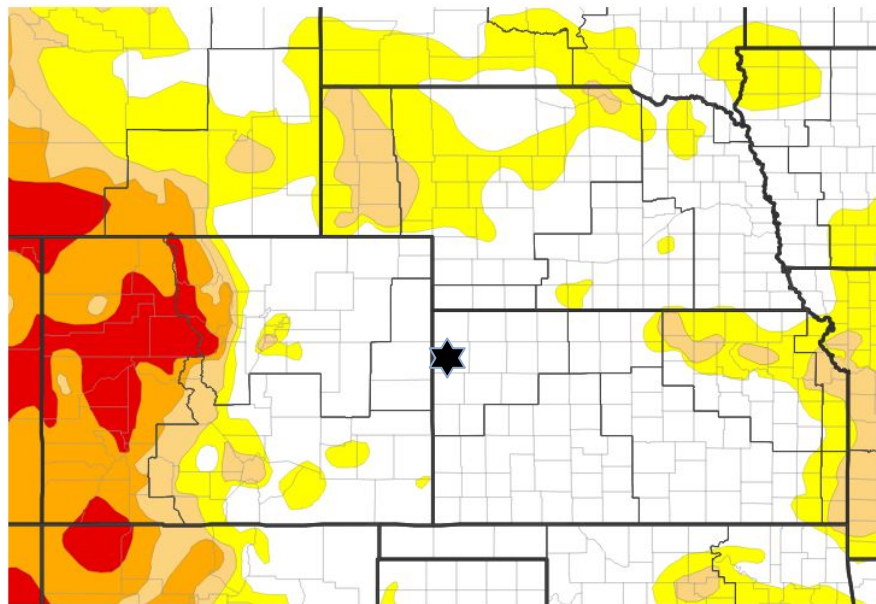
- none.

### Comments

- No drought in the Tri-State area.
- Above normal rainfall continued in September.

★ Star is centered on Goodland in all following maps.

### U.S. Drought Monitor



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

Data Valid: 09/30/25





# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

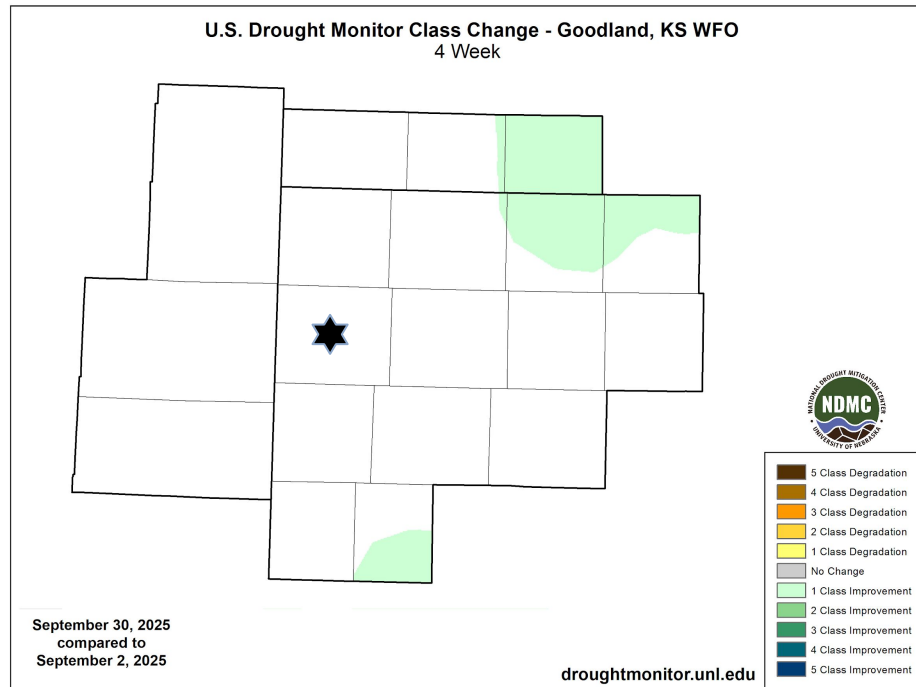
Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for CONUS

## 4 Week Drought Monitor Class Change.

- Drought Worsened: none.
- No Change: none.
- Drought Improved: lingering drought areas removed.

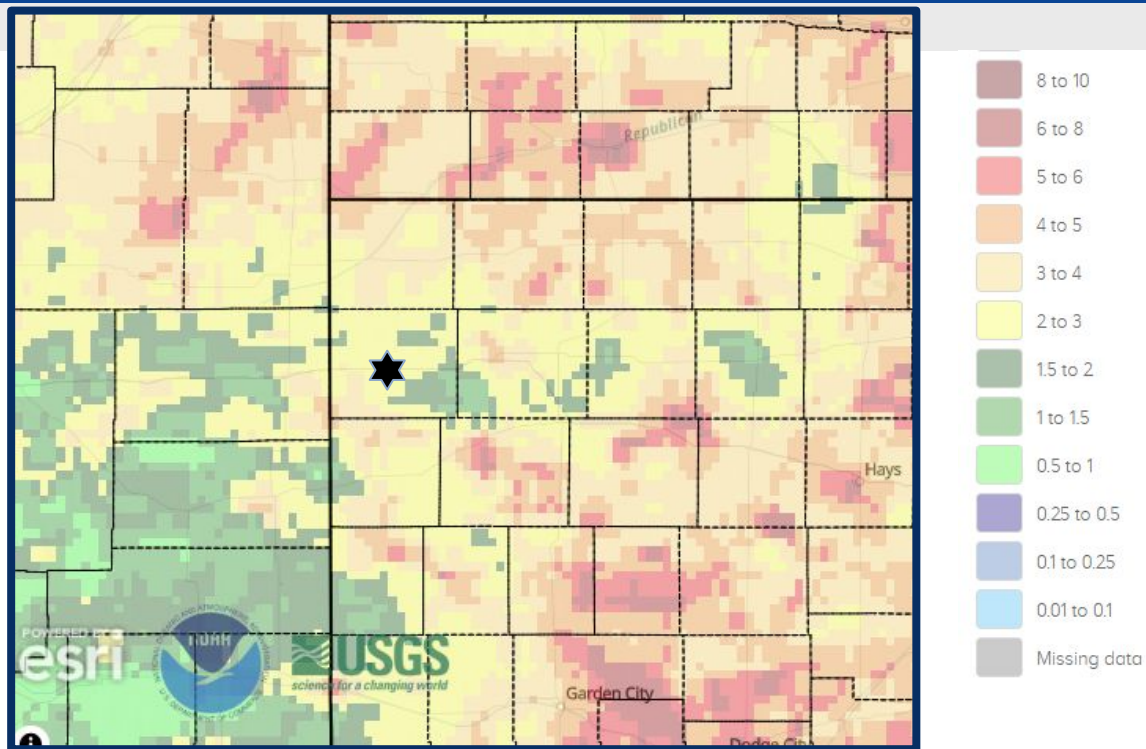
### Comments

- Any lingering drought from last month has been removed due to above normal rainfall.





# September Precipitation - Observed

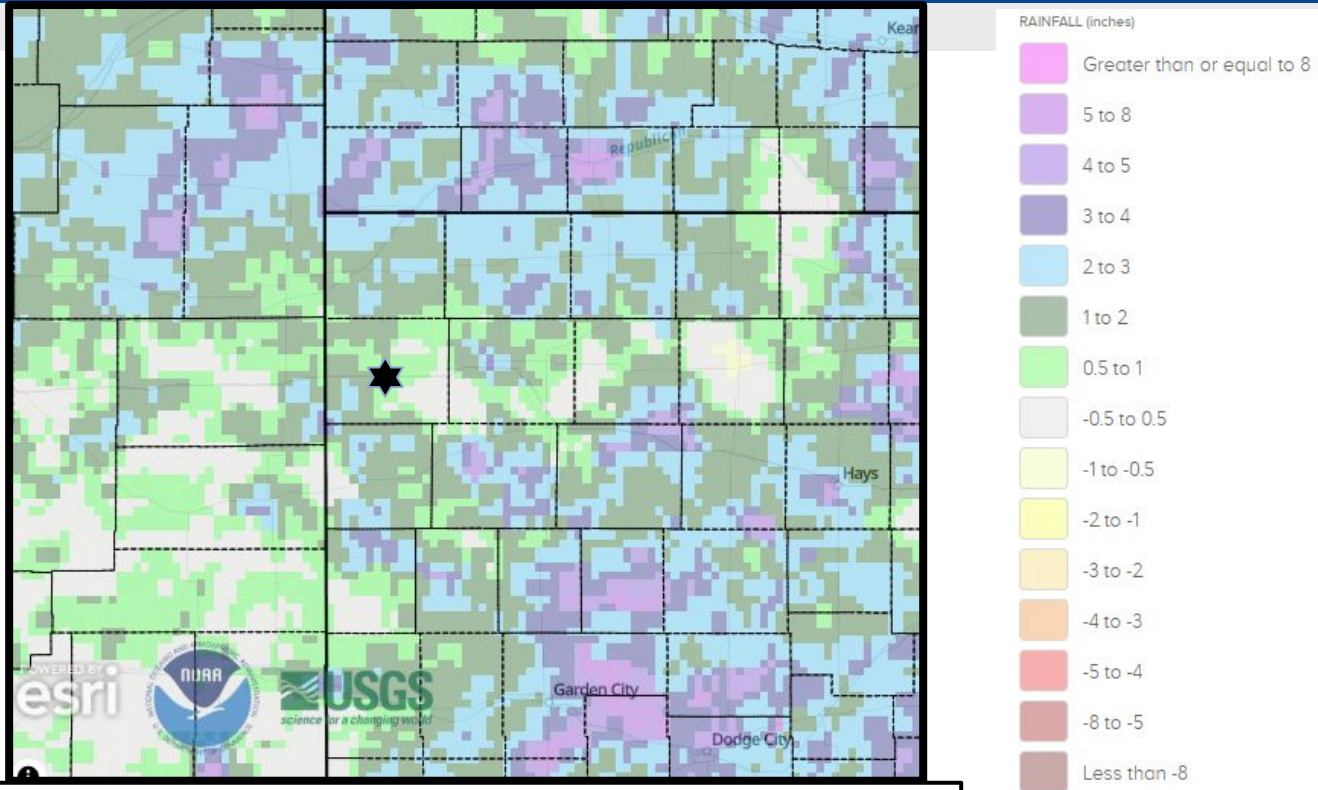


Actual precipitation amounts in September ranged from 4" to 6" in many areas (red and orange), particularly in southwest Nebraska and Yuma County in Colorado. Some lower amounts were observed in Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties of Colorado and along Highway 24 in Kansas (green shaded).





# September Precipitation - Departure from Normal



September precipitation compared to normal shows above normal in most of the area (blue and purple). Near to slightly normal precipitation was observed in Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties in Colorado as well as pockets along Highway 24 in Kansas.







# September Precipitation - Local Highlight

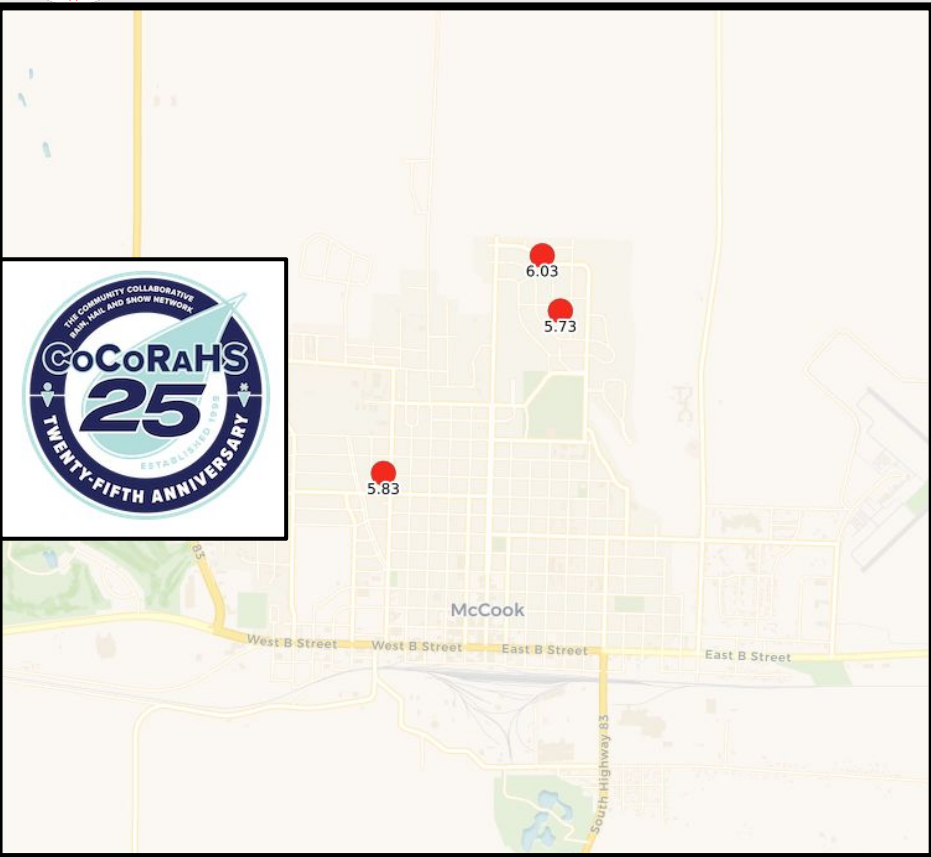
## Maximum 1-Day Total Precipitation for McCook Area, NE (ThreadEx)

Click column heading to sort ascending, click again to sort descending.

Rank	Value	Ending Date
1	6.06	2023-05-26
2	5.13	2008-05-23
3	5.01	2025-09-16
4	4.60	2016-04-16
5	4.33	2016-09-03
6	4.25	1909-05-23
7	3.90	1930-07-20
8	3.38	1946-10-05
9	3.37	1963-09-21
10	3.30	1928-07-29
Last value also occurred in one or more previous years.		
Period of record: 1894-11-01 to 2025-10-01		

## Comments

- McCook area hit hard on September 16th by stationary supercell.
- 5" to 6" of rain fell in a few hours.
- 5.01" at the McCook airport was the 3rd highest daily total on record.





# Monthly Precipitation Outlook: October 2025

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

## Comments:

- Equal chances for above normal, near normal or below normal for the month of October.

Equal  
Chances



Below  
Normal

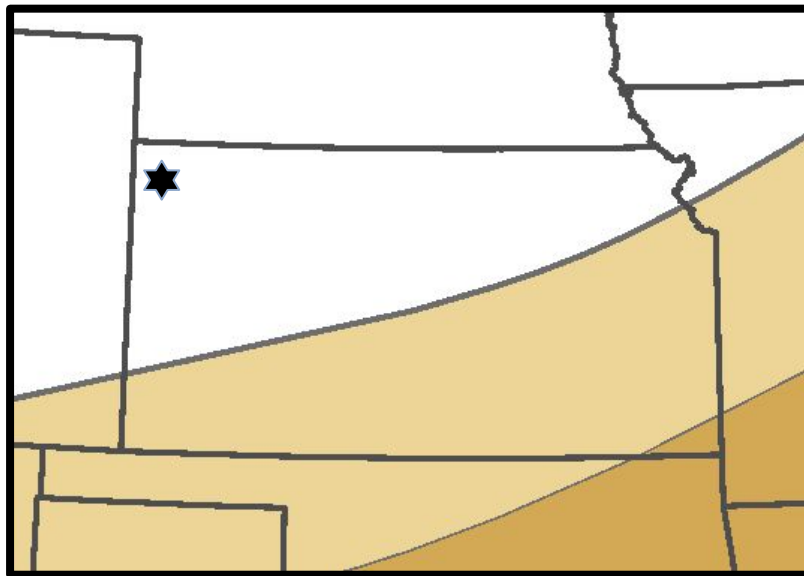
33-40%



40-50%



Leaning  
Below





# Seasonal Precipitation Outlook: Oct-Nov-Dec 2025

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

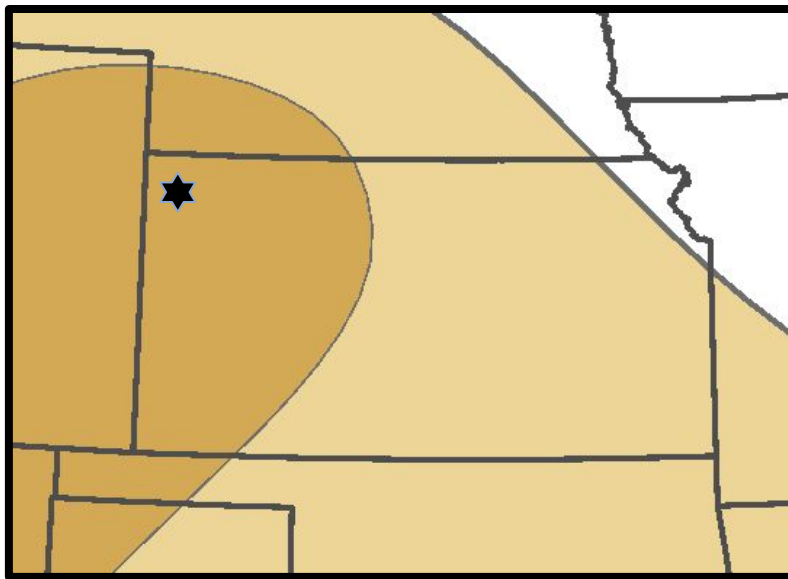
## Comments

- Below normal favored for the entire area through December.

## Below Normal



Leaning  
Below







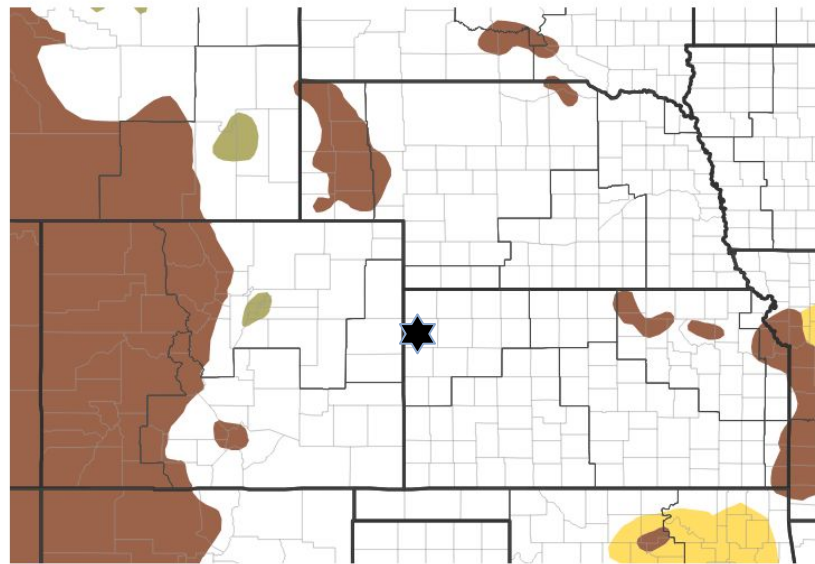
# Monthly Drought Outlook: October 2025

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## Comments

- No drought expected in October.

## 1-Month Drought Outlook for October 1, 2025–October 31, 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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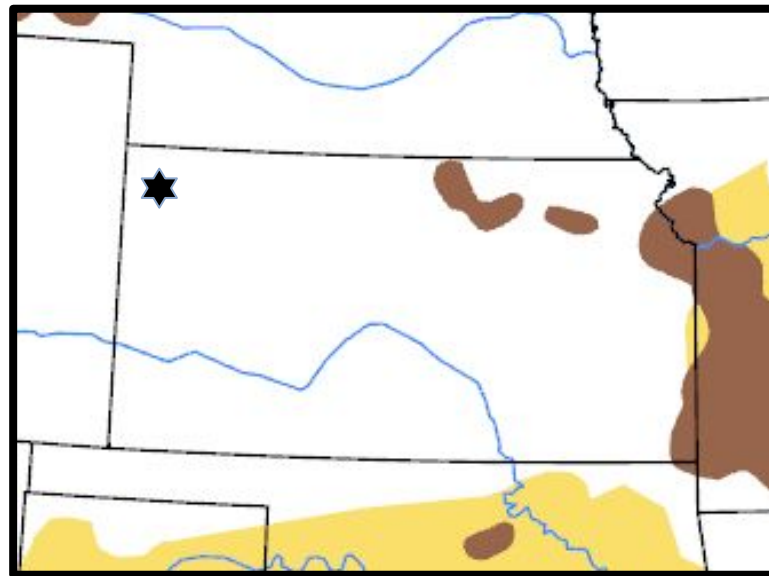
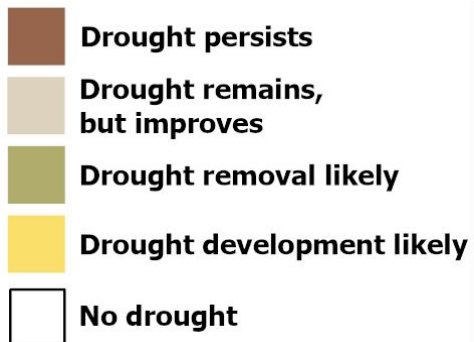


# Seasonal Drought Outlook: October-December 2025

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

## Comments

- No drought expected through December.



Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)





# 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.





# Contact Information

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