

Dryness Lingers On for Much of State

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NORMAN - Despite some very welcome rainfall during the morning hours, rainfall totals over the past weeks and months remains well below average for much of Oklahoma.

Southeastern and south-central Oklahoma continue their slow recovery from long-term deficits, while much of the state west of Interstate 35 observes continued dryness in recent months.

In fact, the sixty-day period ending yesterday was the driest such period of the 84 such periods (Apr18-Jun16) on record for west-central Oklahoma. Other notable outliers for the period ending yesterday are listed by climate division below:

Panhandle: 7th-driest 30-day and 9th-driest 90-day totals

N. Central: 3rd-driest 30-day and 7th-driest 60-day totals

W. Central: 3rd-driest 30-day, driest 60-day and 3rd-driest 90-day

Central: 6th-driest 60-day, 2nd-driest 90-day

Southwest: 9th-driest 30-day, 6th-driest 60-day, 3rd-driest 90-day

In addition, the last 365 days represents the 9th-driest such period on record for the southwest climate division.

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<http://climate.ocs.ou.edu/drought/>

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