

New Mexico

Meteorological

Drought Status

and

Climate/Weather Outlook

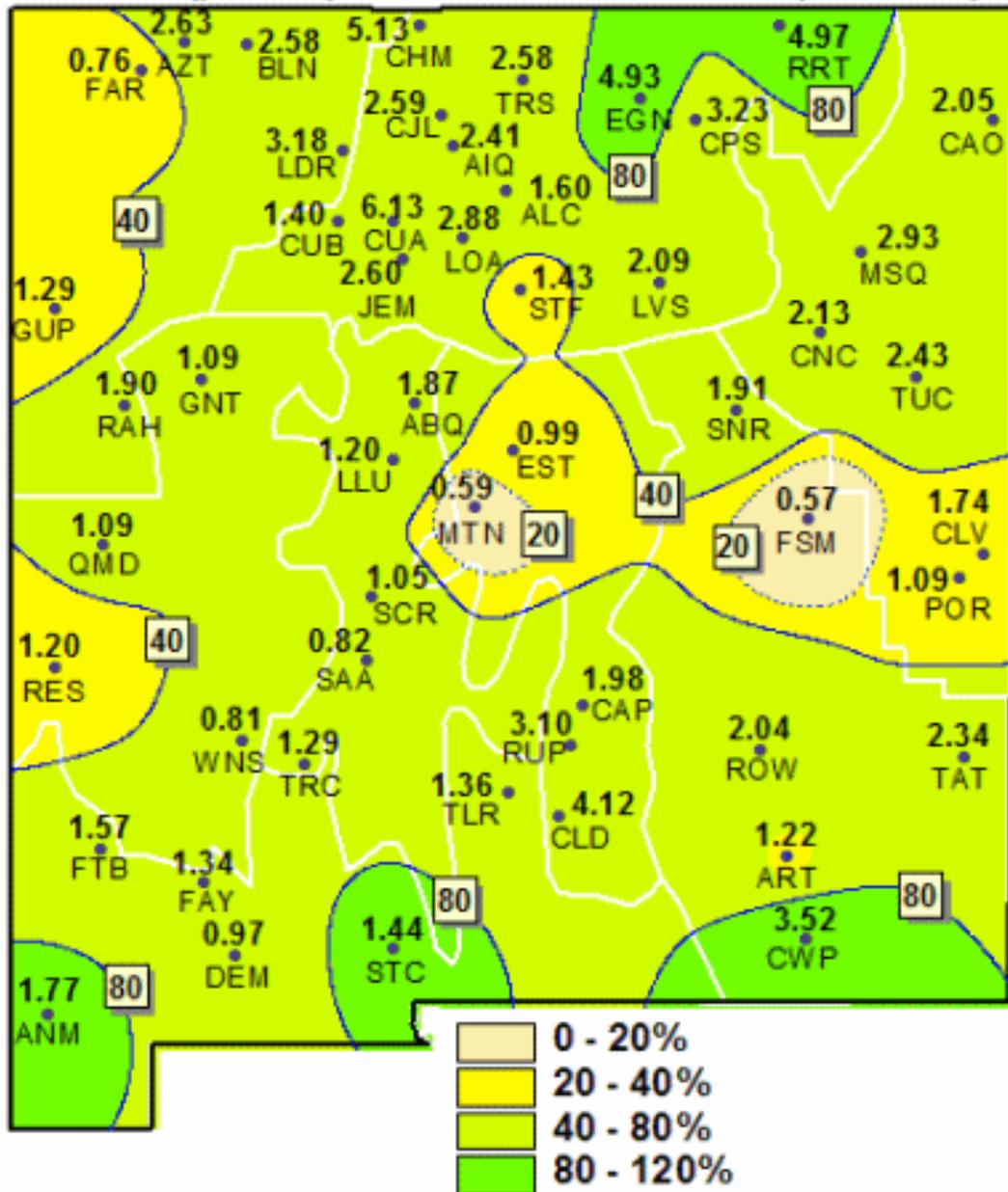
June 22, 2012

National Weather Service Albuquerque, NM
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National Weather Service

January - May 2012 Precipitation

Totals (plotted) and Percent of Normal (contours)



Calendar 2012 (Jan - May) Precipitation

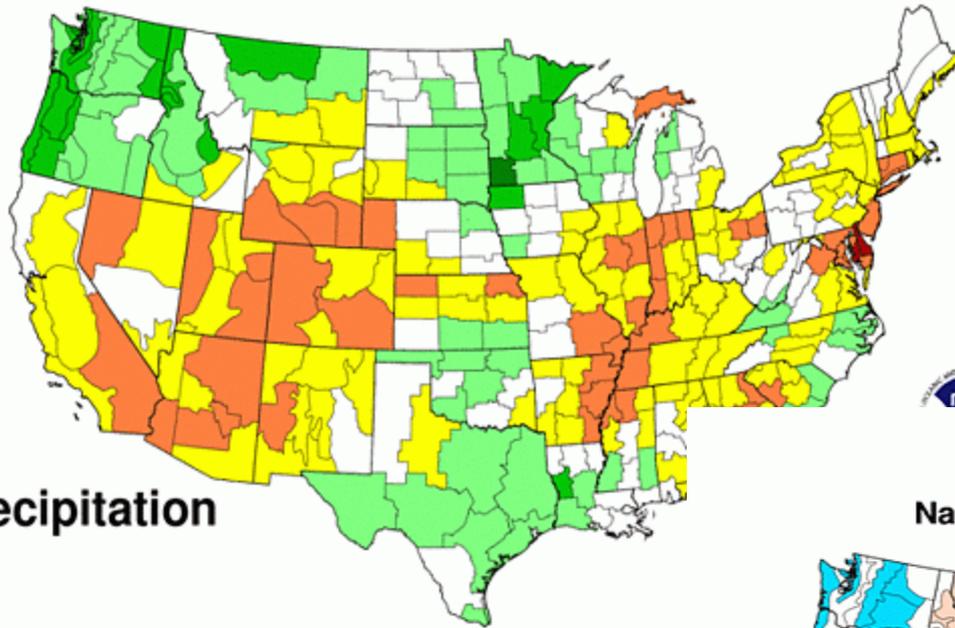
**Statewide Avg:
56% of normal**

**Northern Mountains &
Southern Deserts:
65% - 69% of normal**

**Southwest Mountains
& Northeast Plains:
41% - 47% of normal**

Jan - May 2012

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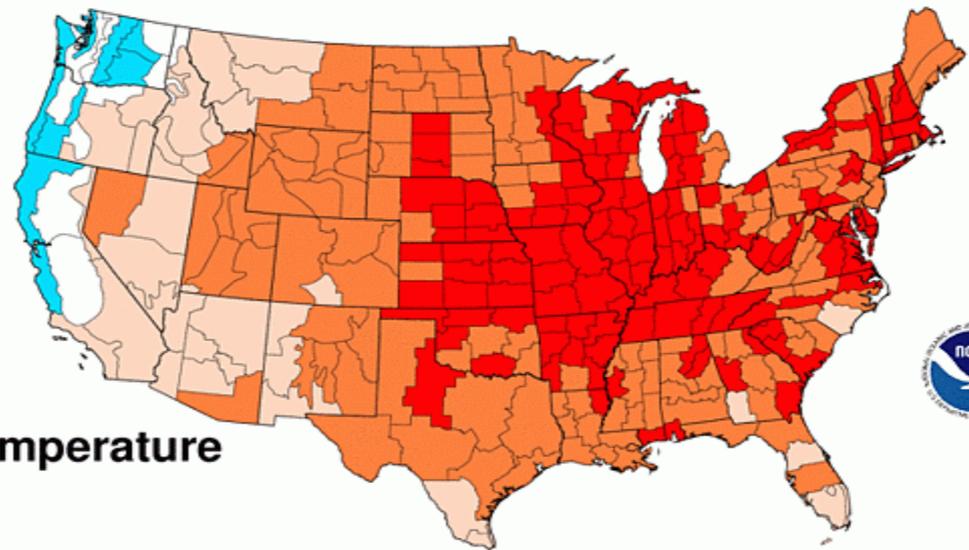
Precipitation



Jan - May 2012: Climate Division Precipitation & Temperature Rankings

Jan - May 2012

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Temperature



2012 Precipitation Deficits

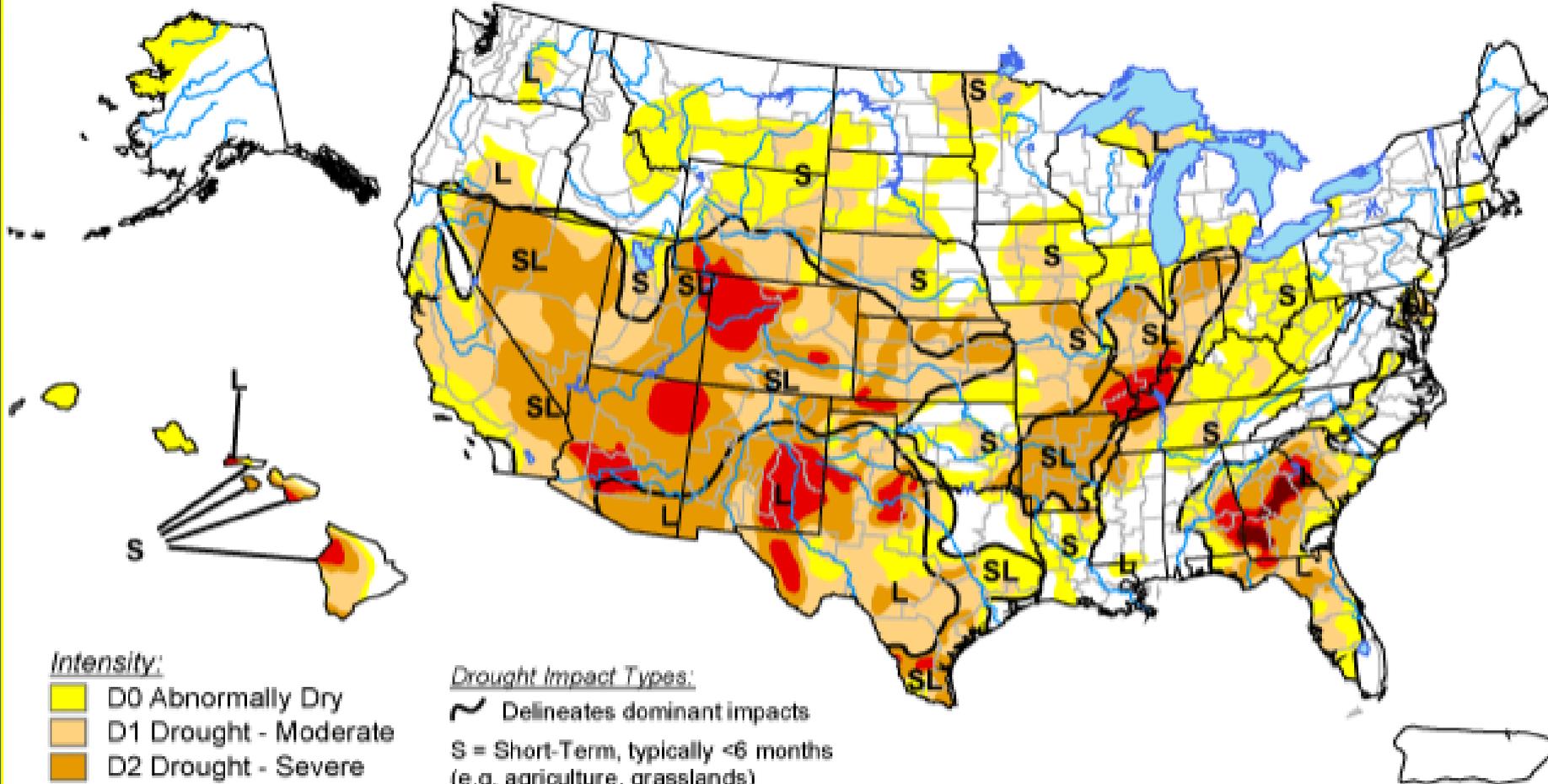
- 2012 Precipitation Totals & Deficits (**Jan – May 2012**):

	<i>CY 2012</i>	<i><u>Departure fm Nrml</u></i>
■ Bosque del Apache	0.82 inches	-0.94 inches
■ Clines Corners	1.71	-3.06
■ Tucumcari 4NE	1.94	-2.14
■ Fort Sumner 5S	0.45	-2.83
■ Portales	1.09	-3.18
■ Estancia 4N	0.99	-2.29
■ Mountainair R/S	0.59	-3.24
■ Elephant Butte Dam	0.38	-1.39
■ Glenwood	0.74	-3.62
■ Zuni	1.14	-2.47

U.S. Drought Monitor

June 19, 2012

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Intensity:

-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Drought - Moderate
-  D2 Drought - Severe
-  D3 Drought - Extreme
-  D4 Drought - Exceptional

Drought Impact Types:

-  Delineates dominant impacts
- S = Short-Term, typically <6 months
(e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L = Long-Term, typically >6 months
(e.g. hydrology, ecology)

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions.
Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary
for forecast statements.

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>



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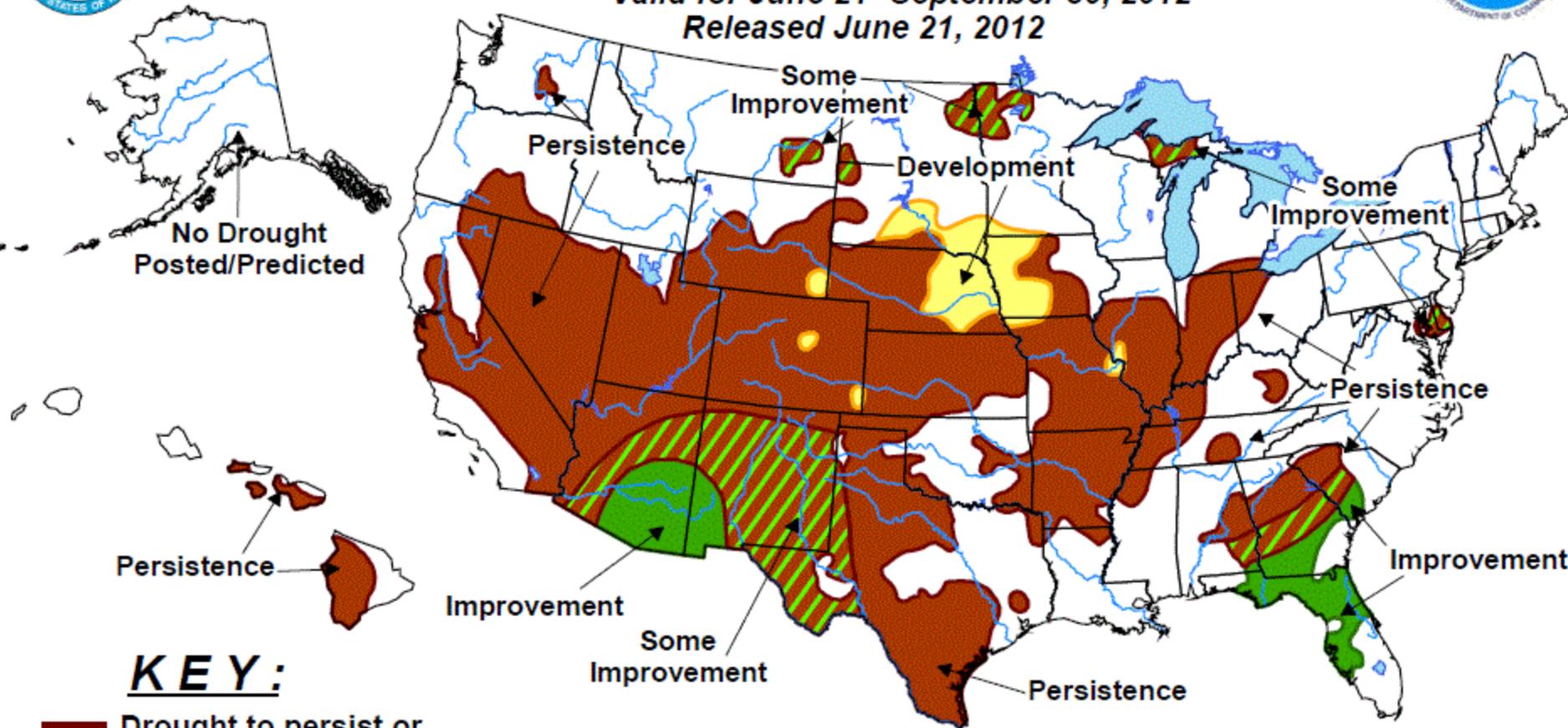


U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

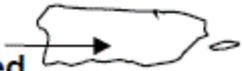
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KEY:

-  Drought to persist or intensify
-  Drought ongoing, some improvement
-  Drought likely to improve, impacts ease
-  Drought development likely

No Drought Posted/Predicted 

Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Short-term events -- such as individual storms -- cannot be accurately forecast more than a few days in advance. Use caution for applications -- such as crops -- that can be affected by such events. "Ongoing" drought areas are approximated from the Drought Monitor (D1 to D4 intensity). For weekly drought updates, see the latest U.S. Drought Monitor. NOTE: the green improvement areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels, but do not necessarily imply drought elimination.