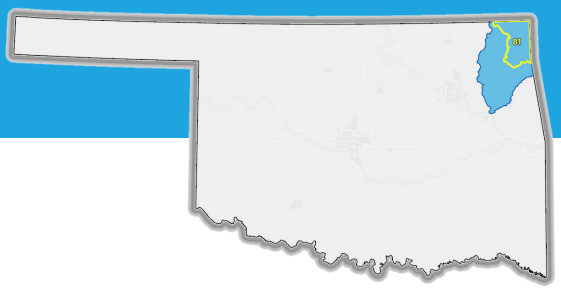
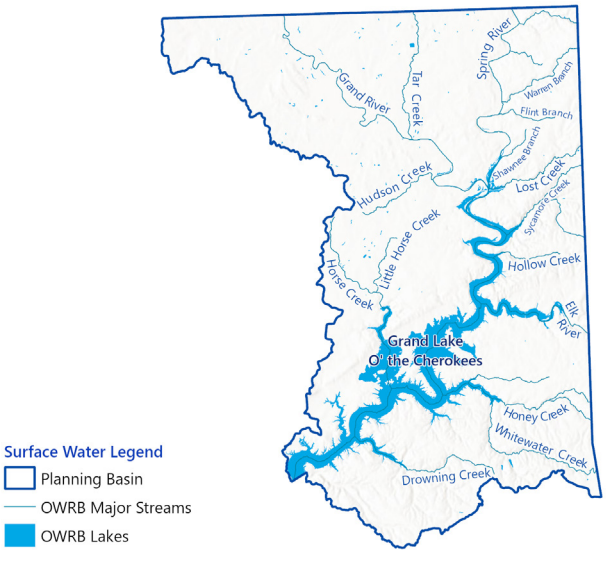
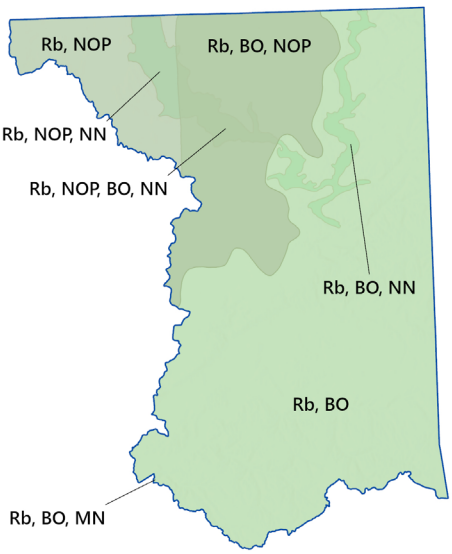
BASIN 81

Grand (Neosho) River - 2 / Grand Region







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SUMMARY

- Basin 81 - Grand (Neosho) River - 2 demands are supplied by a combination of surface water and groundwater.
- Water demand (withdrawal) is projected to decrease by 64 acre-feet per year (1%) between 2020 and 2075.
- No surface water gaps are projected.
- There are no alluvial groundwater demands in this basin.
- Physical bedrock groundwater depletions are projected in Basin 81 as early as 2030 and will continue through 2075.
- Basin 81 surface water is administered by the Grand River Dam Authority. It is projected to have surface water available for appropriation through 2075.
- Basin 81 is projected to have groundwater available for appropriation through 2075.
- To mitigate projected water supply shortages in this basin, the following strategies will typically be most effective:
  - Reduce water demand through conservation, water loss reduction, and other activities (PS, SSI, OG, TE). WSS
  - Reduce water demands through agricultural water saving options (CI, LS). WSS
  - Continue/increase reliance on in-basin surface water (all sectors). WSS WDI
  - Continue/increase reliance on in-basin groundwater (all sectors). WSS WDI

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Refer to the **"Guide to Region and Basin Fact Sheets"** for a description of the types of information detailed in this fact sheet.

Water Demand Sectors: PS = Public Supply, SSI = Self-supplied Industrial, OG = Oil & Gas, TE = Thermoelectric Power, CI = Crop Irrigation, LS = Livestock, SSD = Self-supplied Domestic

OCWP Statewide Recommendations are designed to address current and anticipated water supply challenges and are noted throughout this fact sheet with the following icons: WIW Water Infrastructure & Workforce, WM Water Management, WSS Water Supplies & Storage, and WDI Water Data & Information

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Population

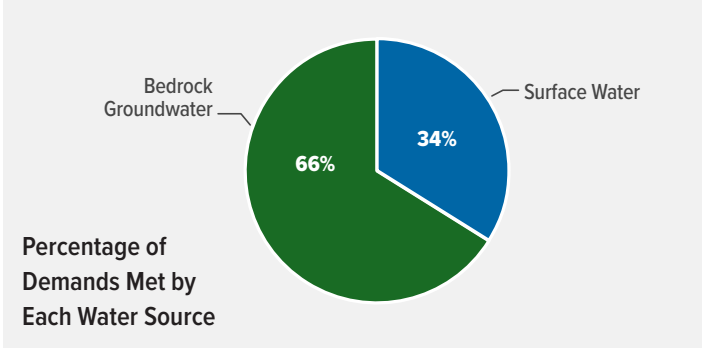
How is the population expected to change in the future?

2020	2030	2035	2045	2060	2075
49,007	50,494	49,689	48,770	48,370	47,499

Water Demand Projections

How much water is needed to meet Oklahomans' needs?

Basin 81 accounts for approximately 27% of the overall water demands of the Grand Region.



Total Demand by Sector (AFY)

	2020	2030	2035	2045	2060	2075
Self-supplied Domestic	1,059	1,088	1,071	1,053	1,046	1,028
Self-supplied Industrial	-	-	-	-	-	-
Crop Irrigation	36	153	153	153	153	153
Livestock	2,060	2,094	2,115	2,091	2,048	2,017
Oil & Gas	4	4	4	4	4	4
Public Supply	3,611	3,704	3,648	3,589	3,567	3,504
Thermoelectric Power	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**6,770**	**7,042**	**6,991**	**6,889**	**6,818**	**6,706**

AFY = acre-feet per year; Small differences may result due to rounding.

Physical Water Shortages

Will there be enough "wet water" physically available to meet anticipated needs?

WIW WM WSS

	Magnitude (AFY)					Frequency[1]
	2030	2035	2045	2060	2075	2075
Surface Water Gap	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Alluvial Groundwater Depletion	-	-	-	-	-	No AGW Demand
Bedrock Groundwater Depletion	52	51	38	29	18	N/A

1. Probability of a water shortage occurring in at least one month of the year.

Legal Water Availability

Will there be water available for permitting after meeting 2075 demands?

WM WSS

Estimated Surface Water available for appropriation in 2075 (AFY) [3]	Inside 2016 Water Settlement Area? [1]	Is there a downstream mainstem restriction? [2]	Estimated Groundwater available for appropriation in 2075 (AFY) [3]
474,200	No	No	2,658,980

1. If, yes – basin wholly or partially subject to the provisions of the 2016 Water Settlement Agreement.
2. If, yes – mainstem restriction may impact water available for appropriation within the basin.
3. Surface water in this basin is administered by the Grand River Dam Authority, while groundwater is administered by OWRB.

Water Management Strategies

What approaches are most viable for meeting future needs and mitigating shortages?

WSS WDI WIW WM

Water Management Category	Demand Sector	Basin 81 Evaluation
Demand Management	PS, SSI, OG, TE	Effective at Meeting Future Demands
Agriculture Options	CI, LS	Effective at Meeting Future Demands
Increase Reliance on In-Basin Surface Water	All sectors	Effective at Meeting Future Demands
Increase Reliance on In-Basin Groundwater	All sectors	Effective at Meeting Future Demands
Stormwater Capture & Use	PS, SSI	No Shortage or Needs Met by Other Strategies
Reuse	PS, SSI	No Shortage or Needs Met by Other Strategies
Water Transfers	All sectors	No Shortage or Needs Met by Other Strategies

In addition to the water management strategies, water users need:

- Options to address water quality concerns, which could include expanding source water protection programs and expanding water quality studies.
- Ways to address infrastructure limitations, which could include additional water funding from the State, Federal, and/or public-private partnerships, and by providers setting water rates that fully fund system operation and maintenance.