

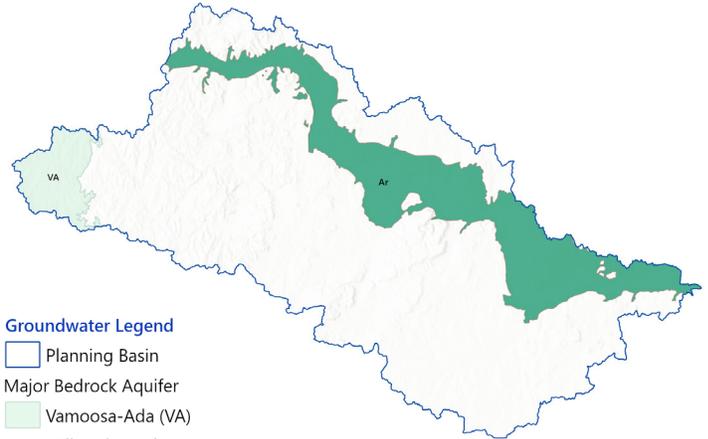
BASIN 49

Middle Arkansas River / Middle Arkansas Region



Surface Water Legend

- Planning Basin
- OWRB Major Streams
- OWRB Lakes



Groundwater Legend

- Planning Basin
- Major Bedrock Aquifer
Vamoosa-Ada (VA)
- Major Alluvial Aquifer
Arkansas River (Ar)

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SUMMARY

- Basin 49 - Middle Arkansas River demands are supplied by a combination of surface water, groundwater, and out-of-basin supplies.
- Water demand (withdrawal) is projected to increase by 21,765 acre-feet per year (19%) between 2020 and 2075.
- Physical surface water gaps are projected in Basin 49 as early as 2030 and will continue through 2075.
- No alluvial groundwater depletions are projected.
- No bedrock groundwater depletions are projected.
- Basin 49 is projected to have surface water available for appropriation through 2075.
- Basin 49 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



Population

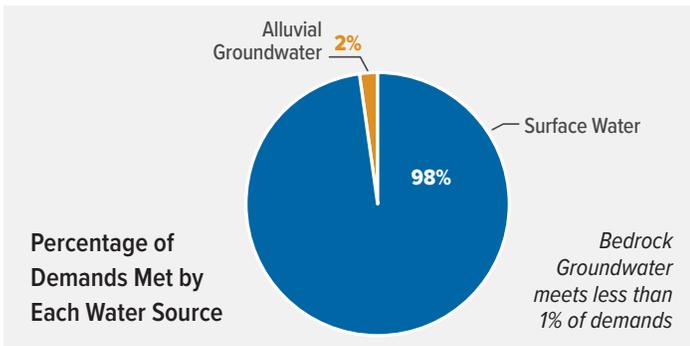
How is the population expected to change in the future?

2020	2030	2035	2045	2060	2075
453,971	463,929	471,316	488,114	518,169	543,640

Water Demand Projections

How much water is needed to meet Oklahomans' needs?

Basin 49 accounts for approximately 52% of the overall water demands of the Middle Arkansas Region.



Total Demand by Sector (AFY)

	2020	2030	2035	2045	2060	2075
Self-supplied Domestic	845	862	872	895	937	973
Self-supplied Industrial	182	177	181	189	203	215
Crop Irrigation	1,118	1,169	1,222	1,330	1,459	1,459
Livestock	1,010	984	983	960	927	901
Oil & Gas	169	169	169	169	169	169
Public Supply	103,876	106,084	107,802	111,749	118,816	124,758
Thermoelectric Power	4,940	3,379	3,213	4,136	4,827	5,430
Total	112,140	112,824	114,442	119,427	127,337	133,905

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	204	645	2,647	6,013	9,628	93%
Alluvial Groundwater Depletion	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Bedrock Groundwater Depletion	-	-	-	-	-	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)	Inside 2016 Water Settlement Area? ¹	Is there a downstream mainstem restriction? ²	Estimated Groundwater available for appropriation in 2075 (AFY)
2,615,400	No	No	370,250

- If, yes – basin wholly or partially subject to the provisions of the 2016 Water Settlement Agreement.
- If, yes – mainstem restriction may impact water available for appropriation within the basin.

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 49 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 When Paired with Demand Management/ Agriculture Options
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.