

# Weather 101



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## Waiting for Rain

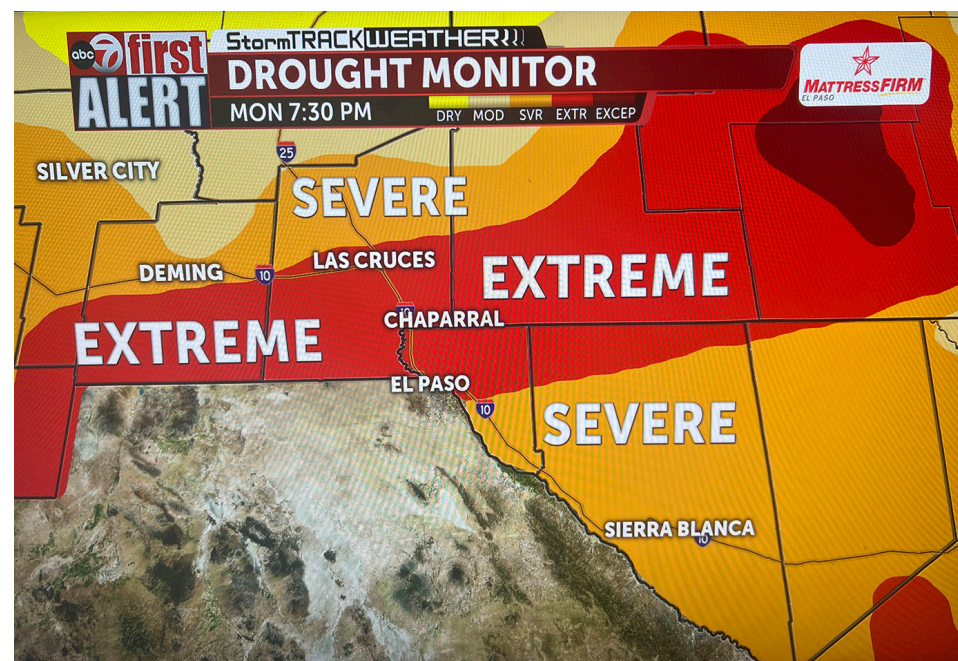
This is not our wettest time period but we should have more precipitation than what we have so far this year. El Paso has just less than 1 inch of rainfall so far, in fact, .81" as of this time period. That is nearly .50" less than normal.

As you can see from the graphic, we are in an extreme drought with areas north and south of us in a severe drought.

We are one category away from being in the exceptional category - a category we do not want to be in.

The good news is that our monsoon is only a little more than a month away. Most of our rainfall comes between June 15 and September 30.

Our forecast is for below average rainfall for the summer - we typically receive about 9" for the year, so let's hope I'm wrong in my prediction.



### Weather Trivia:

How much rain did El Paso receive all of last year?

- A. 2.59"      C. 6.35"  
B. 4.34"      D. 7.15"

Answer: C



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