



# Climate's impact on water availability



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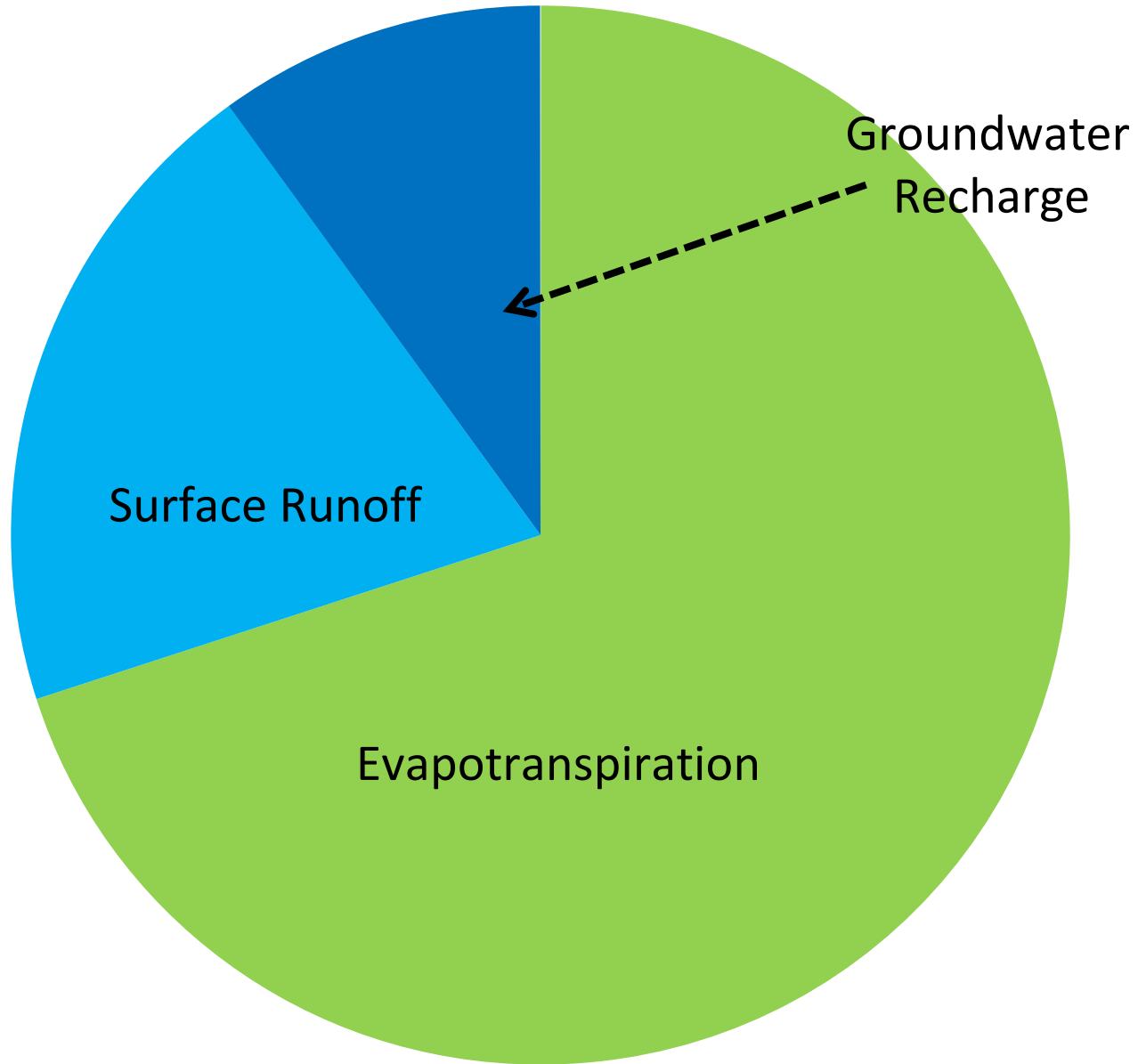
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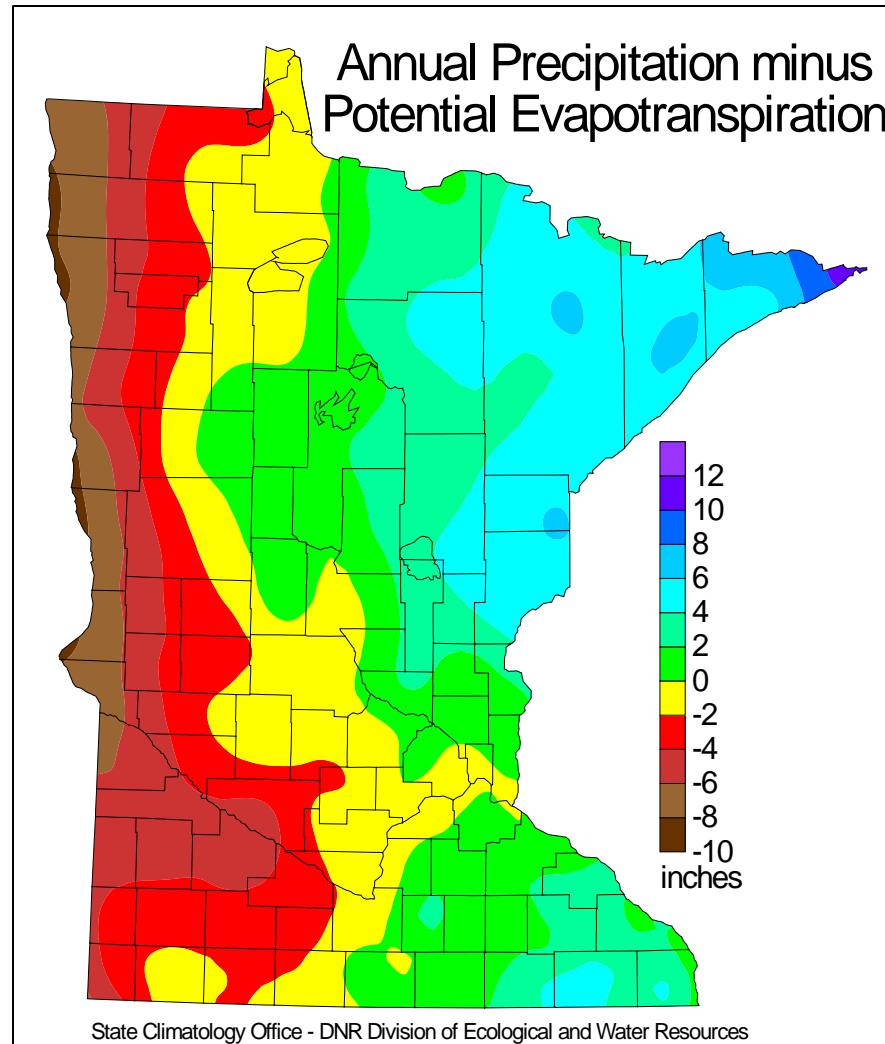
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# The Fate of Precipitation in Minnesota



# Water quantity reflects a balance between precipitation and losses due to evapotranspiration



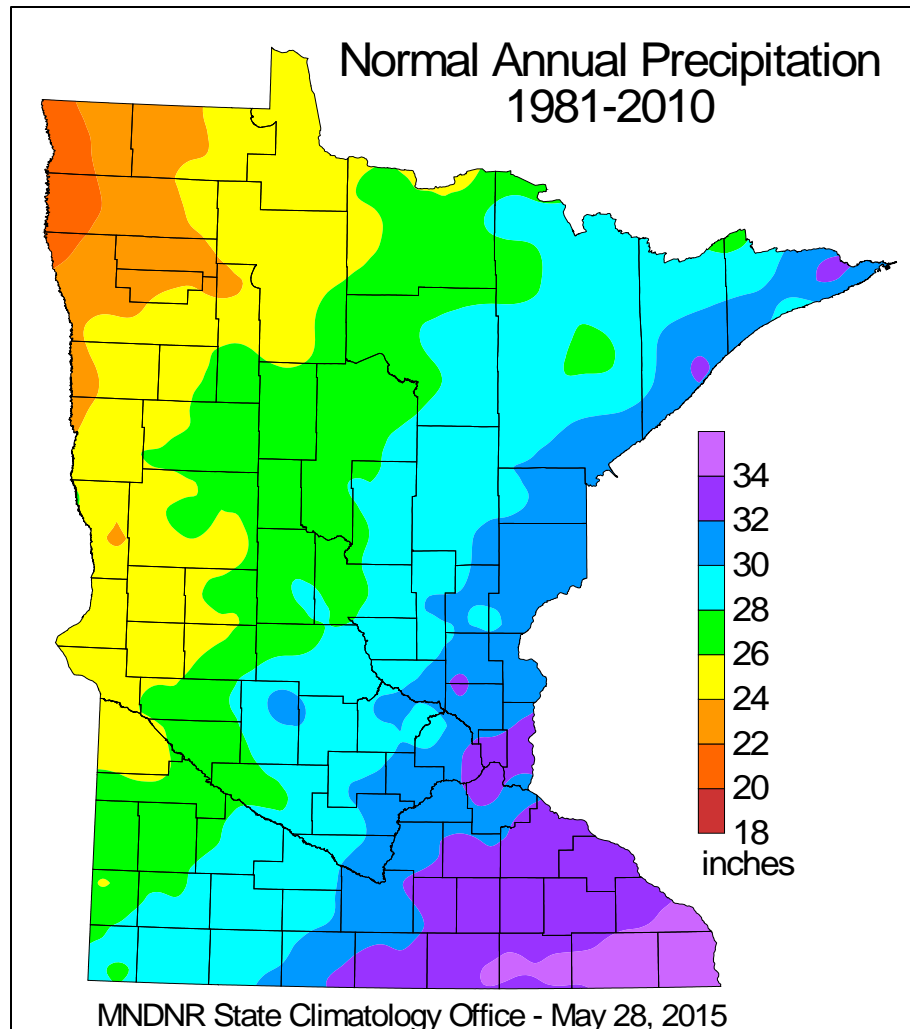
# Minnesota's highly variable climate

Minnesota's continental position leads to significant ...

- **differences across space**
- **differences over time**

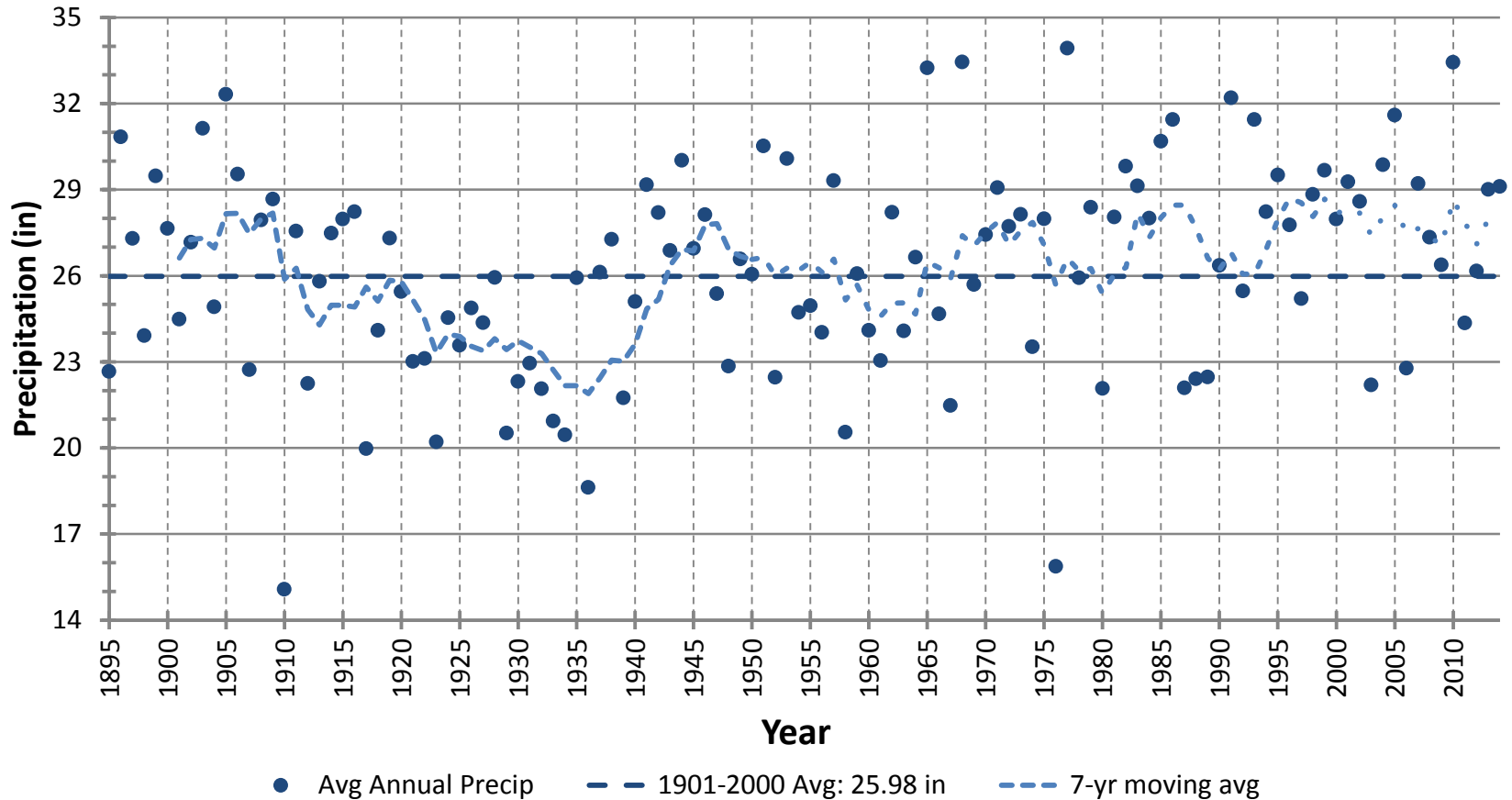


# Climate variability across space

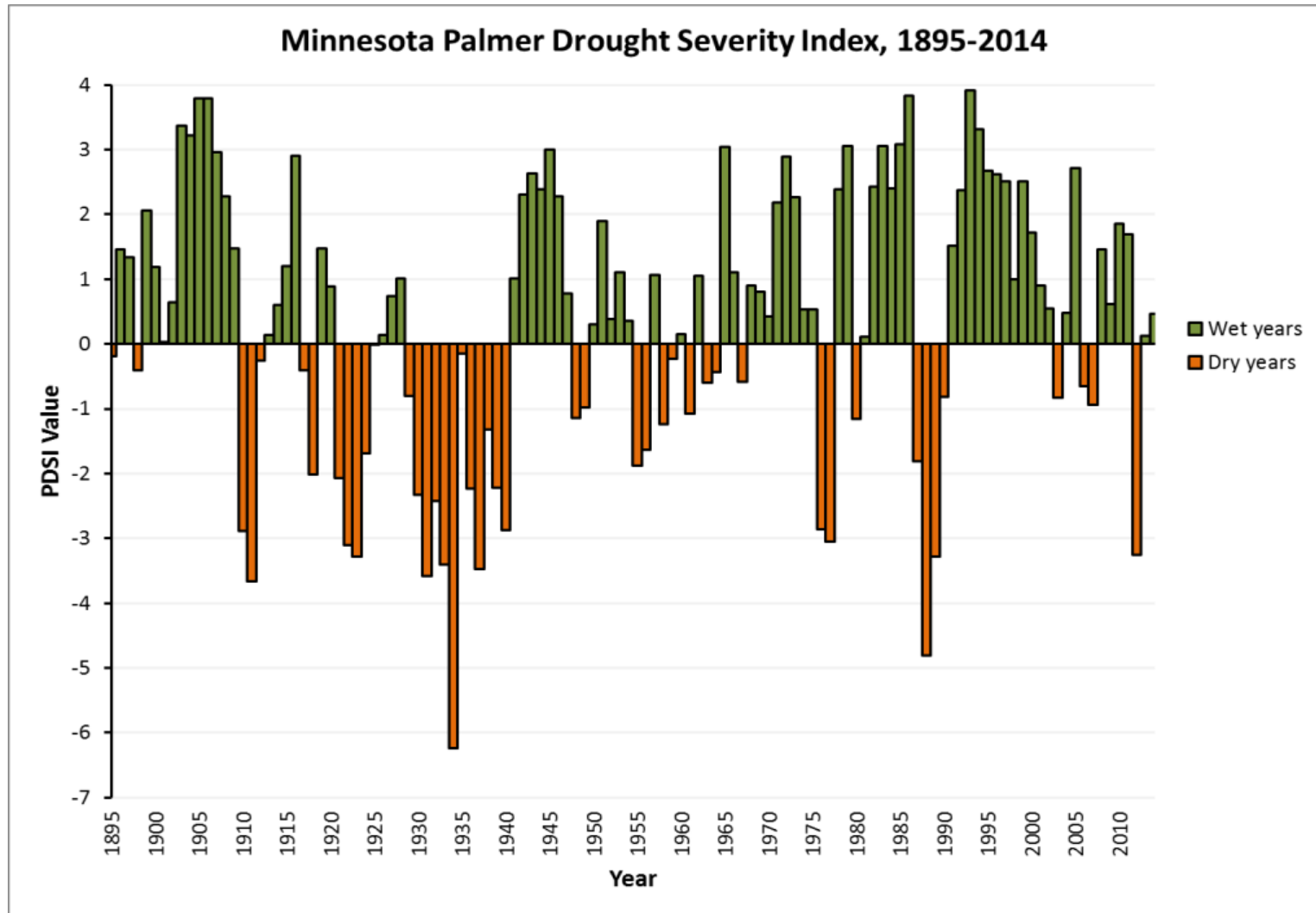


# Climate variability over time

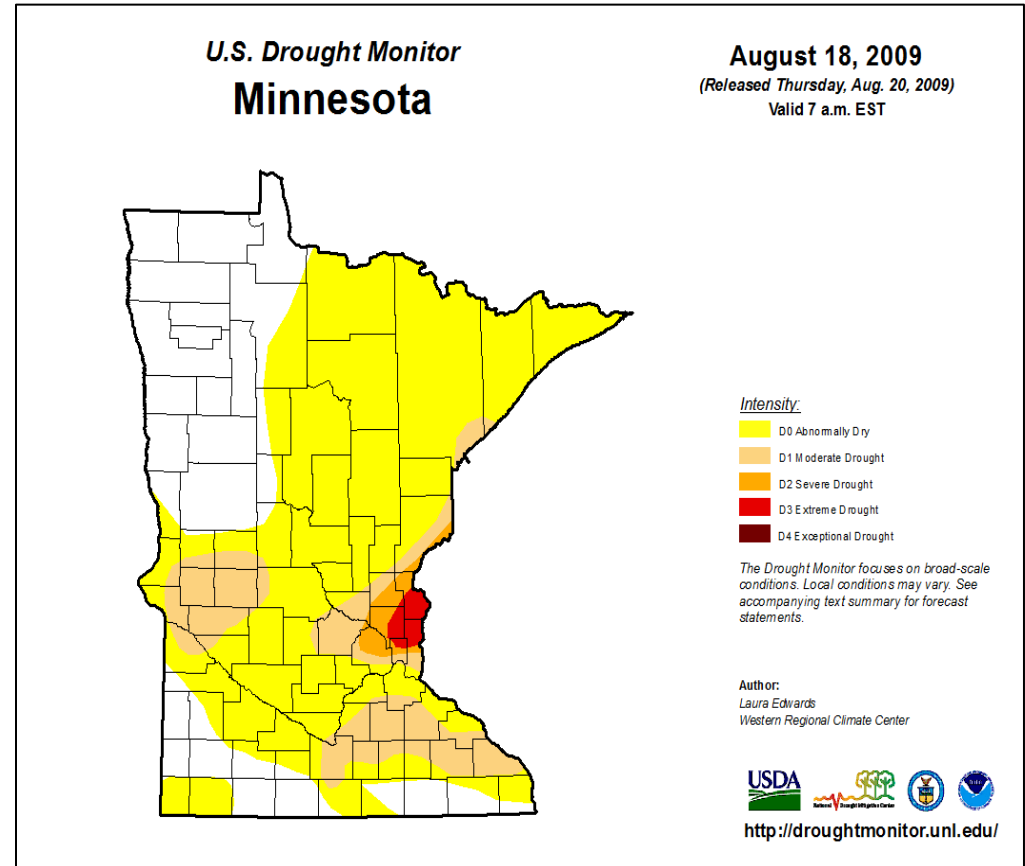
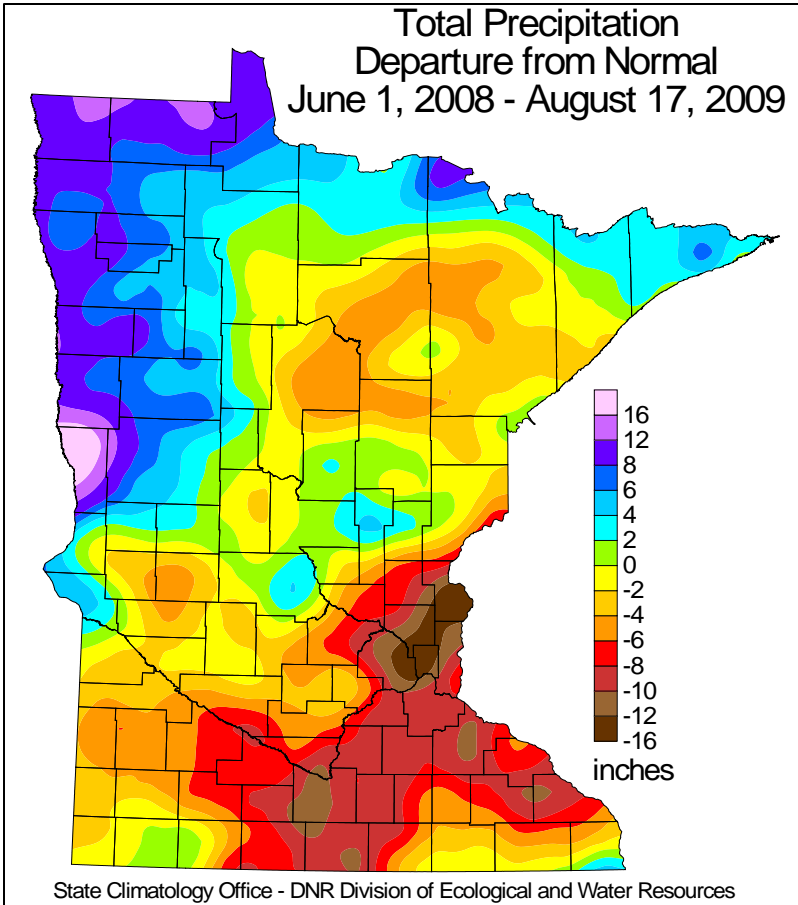
## Minnesota Annual Precipitation 1895-2014



# Climate variability over time



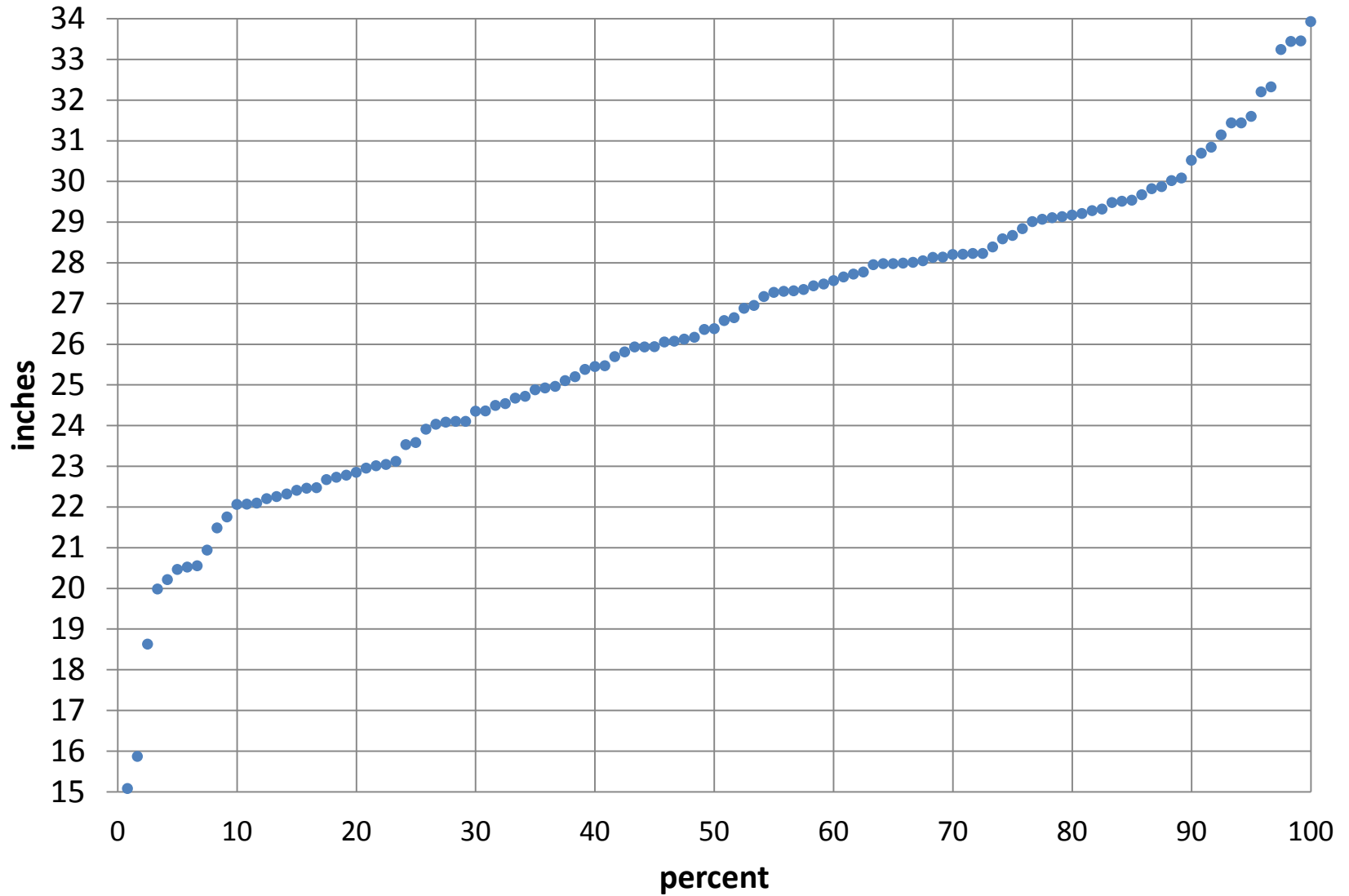
# Climate variability across space and time







# Percent Occurrence - Minnesota Statewide Annual Precipitation



# 100-year 24-hour Rainfall Event

