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Summary: On the heels of Texas' worst drought in a decade, a report from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District shows water levels in the Ogallala Aquifer, also known as the High Plains Aquifer, have dropped consistently in the region over the last five years. With only a finite amount of water to be shared throughout the U.S. High Plains region — Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming and South Dakota — the Ogallala running dry could have devastating consequences nationwide. The aquifer provides water for about 30% of the nation's irrigation systems, boosting up the farms and ranches that supply a quarter of the nation's agricultural production. And for 82% of the people who live within the aquifer's boundaries, it supplies their drinking water too.

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