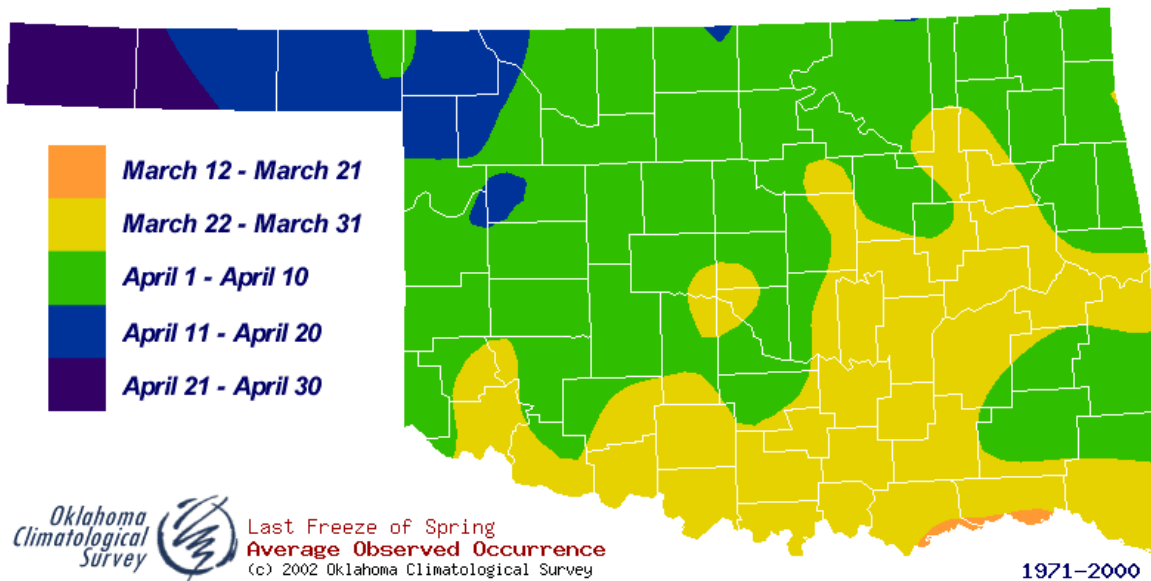


Welcome, Spring!
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NORMAN - At 7:00 pm on March 20th, the sun crossed the equator, which means the first day of spring. Early spring brings many things: fat robins, daffodils, storm season, and baseball.

Over the next few weeks, the statistical likelihood of freezing temperatures will slowly diminish. The average date of spring's last freeze occurs over the next three weeks as one travels from southeast Oklahoma to the eastern edge of the panhandle. Out in the panhandle, the average date occurs during mid to late April.

Of course, these dates are only averages. The actual date of spring's last freeze varies from year to year.



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