



# Drought Information Statement for Northern Ohio

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- This product will be updated by November 6, 2025 or sooner if drought conditions significantly change.
  - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
  - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/cle/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
  - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- Drought conditions have worsened across portions of the area.
  - Extreme Drought (D3) conditions have spread across interior Northwest Ohio. This is the most widespread D3 conditions have been across the NWS Cleveland area since the weekly U.S. Drought Monitor began in 2000.
  - Rain is likely across Northeast Ohio and Northwest Pennsylvania over the weekend.



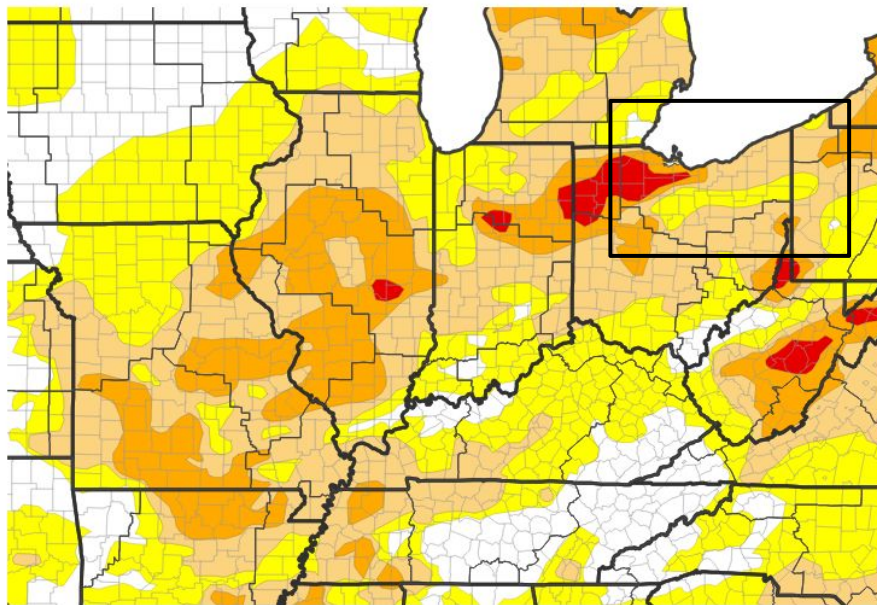


# U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for Northern Ohio and Northwest Pennsylvania

- Drought intensity and Extent
  - **D3 (Extreme Drought)**: Interior northwest Ohio.
  - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: Portions of northwest Ohio, western Marion County, and southeast Crawford County (PA).
  - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: Much of northern Ohio and northwest Pennsylvania.
  - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: Interior northern Ohio from roughly eastern Wyandot and Marion counties east to Mahoning and southern Trumbull counties. Conditions are also present across north-central Erie County, PA including the city of Erie.

## U.S. Drought Monitor



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Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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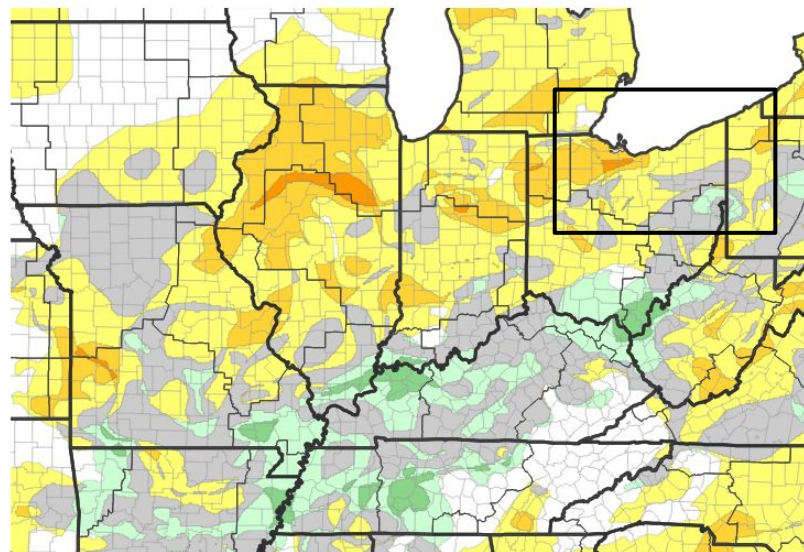


# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for Northern Ohio and Northwest Pennsylvania

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
  - Drought conditions have worsened across the most of the area over the last several weeks.
  - Northwest Ohio and interior northwest Pennsylvania have had at least 2 classes of degradation.
  - The rest of the area has seen no changes or 1 class of degradation.

U.S. Drought Monitor 4-Week Change Map



Drought Degradation



Drought Improvement



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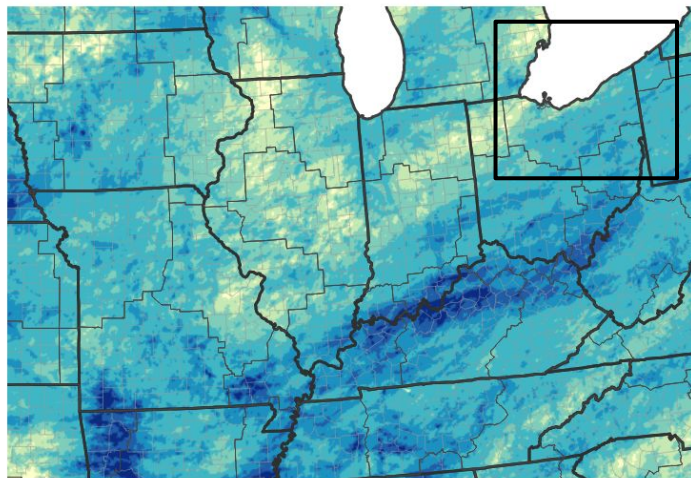




# Precipitation

- Portions of northern Ohio and northwest Pennsylvania have received 1 to 4 inches of rain in the last 30 days with locally higher amounts across northern Crawford (OH) and Richland counties. Most of this rain fell in the last week.
- Northwest Ohio and portions of north-central Ohio have received less than 1 inch of rain in the last 30 days.
- Despite the rain earlier this week, 30-day precipitation across most of northern Ohio is still 50 percent or less of normal. Interior north-central and northeast Ohio are near normal.

**30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)**



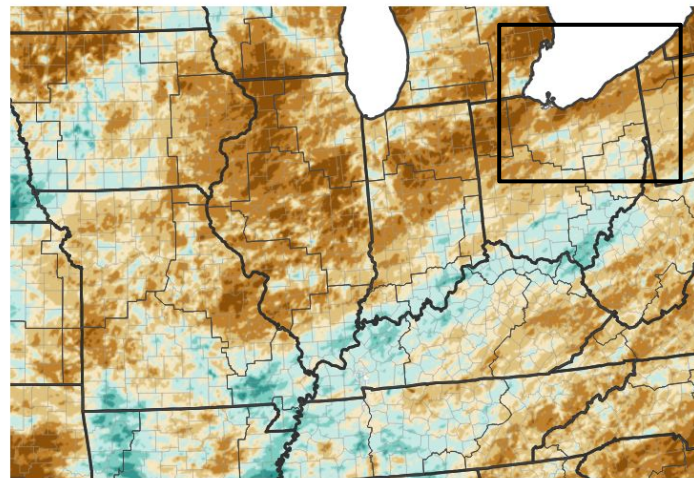
**Inches of Precipitation**



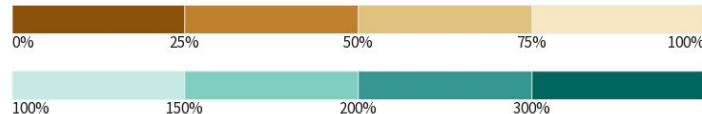
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**30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation**



**Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions**



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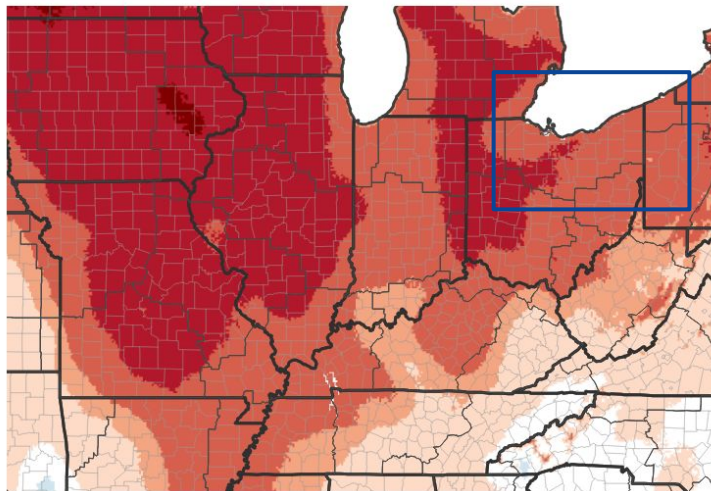


# Temperature

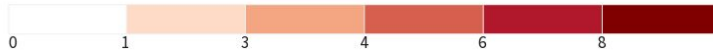
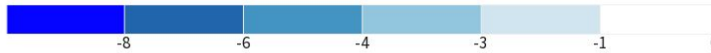
Link to [MRCC](#)

- Average temperatures over the last 7 days (ending 10/4) have been at least 8 degrees above normal.
- Average temperatures over the last 30 days (ending 10/4) have been above normal, generally by 3 to 6 degrees.

30-Day Temperature Anomaly



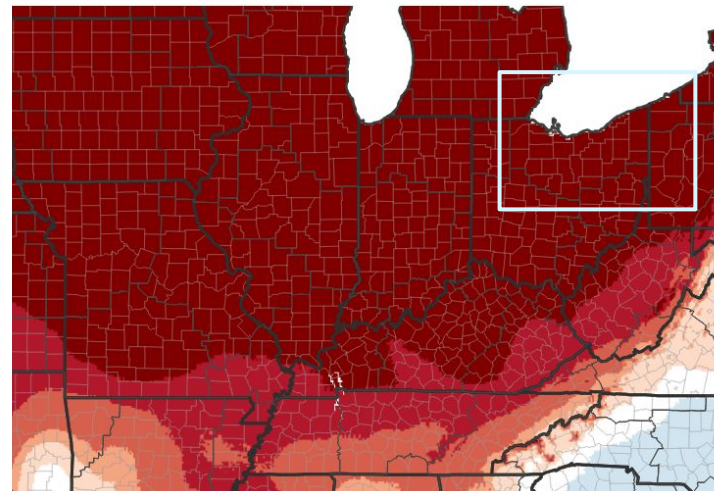
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



Source(s): NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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7-Day Temperature Anomaly



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# Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit [Condition Monitoring Observer Reports \(CMOR\)](#) and view the [Drought Impacts Reporter](#)

## Hydrologic Impacts

- Streamflow values are generally below normal (less than 25%) where severe drought (D2) or worse conditions are present. ([USGS](#))
- 14-day average streamflow on Maumee River at Waterville, OH has dropped below the 9th percentile. ([USGS](#))
- The riverbeds of many creeks and small streams are low or dry. ([CoCoRaHS](#))

## Agricultural Impacts

- Soybean and corn harvests have started. ([CoCoRaHS](#))
- Abnormally dry daily shallow soil moisture values across the area. ([CPC](#))
- Low Crop Moisture Index values across the area, especially in D2 and D3 areas. ([CPC](#))

## Fire Hazard Impacts

- No known impacts at this time.

## Other Impacts

- No known impacts at this time.

## Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.



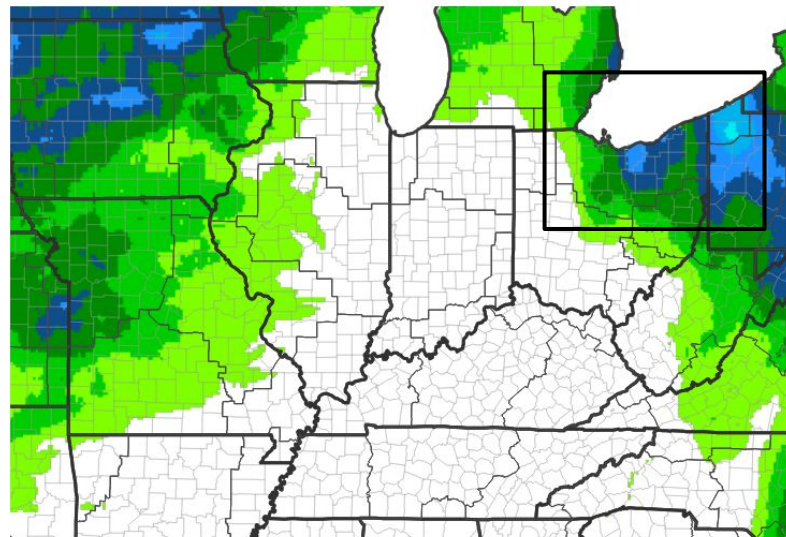




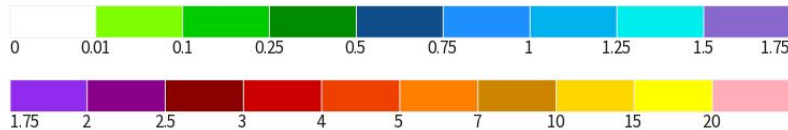
# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Lake-enhanced rain showers are likely across northeast Ohio and northwest Pennsylvania this weekend with lower rain chances across the western half of the area.
- Precipitation totals of a trace to 0.5" likely where rain showers occur.
- Outside of a small chance of periodic lake effect rain showers across northwest Pennsylvania, dry weather is favored for most of the area next week.
- 7-day rainfall totals across northwest Ohio will likely be less than 0.25".

**7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for October 9,  
2025–October 16, 2025**



**Predicted Inches of Precipitation**



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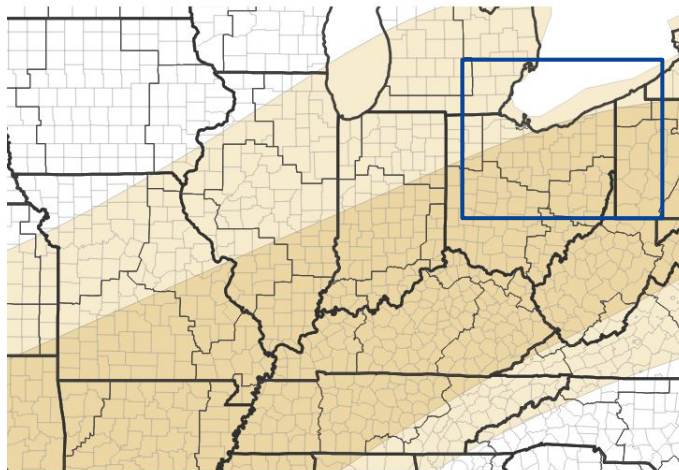


# Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- The monthly precipitation outlook for October leans below normal for precipitation.
- The monthly temperature outlook for October indicates that temperatures will likely be above normal.

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for October 1,  
2025–October 31, 2025



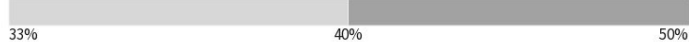
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Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



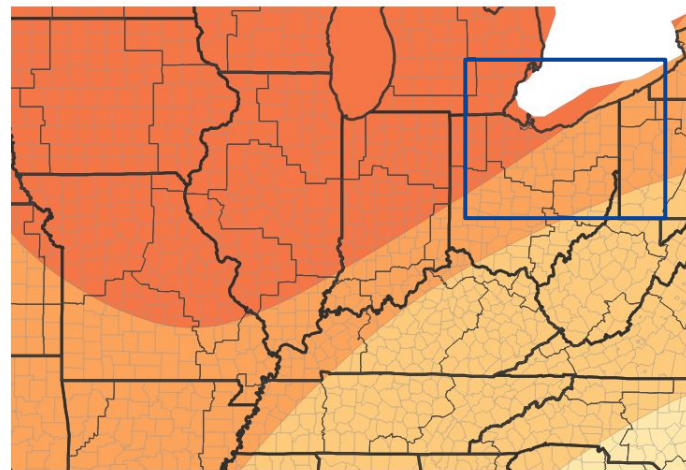
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Monthly Temperature Outlook for October 1,  
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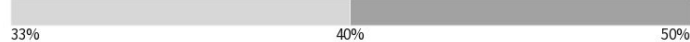
Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



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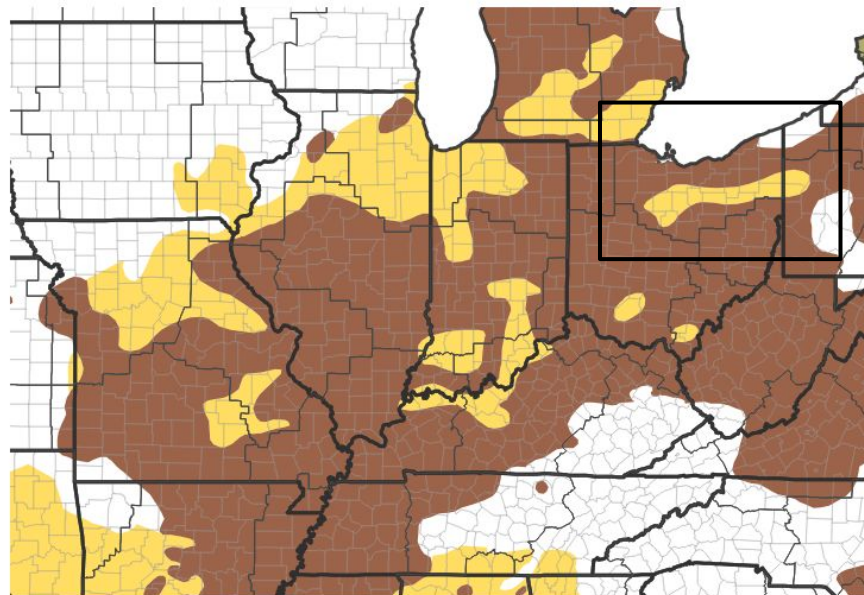


# Drought Outlook

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- Drought conditions are predicted to persist across the much of the local area through the end of 2025.

## Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for September 30, 2025–December 31, 2025



### Drought Is Predicted To...



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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)  
[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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