



Drought Information Statement for the Middle Ohio River Valley

Valid November 7 , 2025

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- This product will be updated December 11, 2025 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/ILN/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
- Please visit [https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/\[link\]](https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/[link]) for regional drought status updates.

- Drought conditions have improved across much of the area, but portions of western Ohio remain in Severe to Extreme Drought.

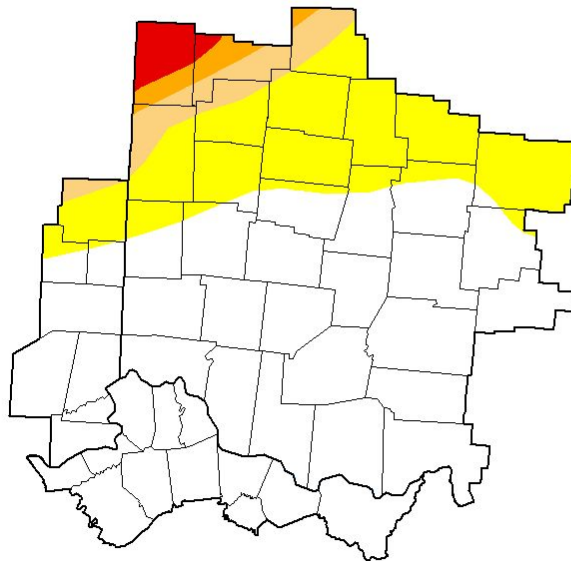


U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for Lower Midwest

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought)**: Portions of the Auglaize/St. Mary's River basins
 - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: Portions of west central Ohio
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: Portions of central/NW Ohio and eastern Indiana.
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: Portions of central Ohio and east central Indiana.
- The U.S. Drought Monitor only considers conditions **ENDING at 8am each Tuesday**, so the rainfall that occurred after 8am Tuesday Nov 4 is NOT included in this week's U.S. Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor Wilmington, OH WFO



November 4, 2025

(Released Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	69.41	30.59	7.63	3.21	1.73	0.00
Last Week 10-28-2025	68.47	31.53	15.68	5.07	1.73	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-05-2025	99.98	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2025	96.68	3.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2025	0.86	99.14	74.08	2.99	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-05-2024	3.31	96.69	48.00	29.66	8.54	0.49

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.asp>

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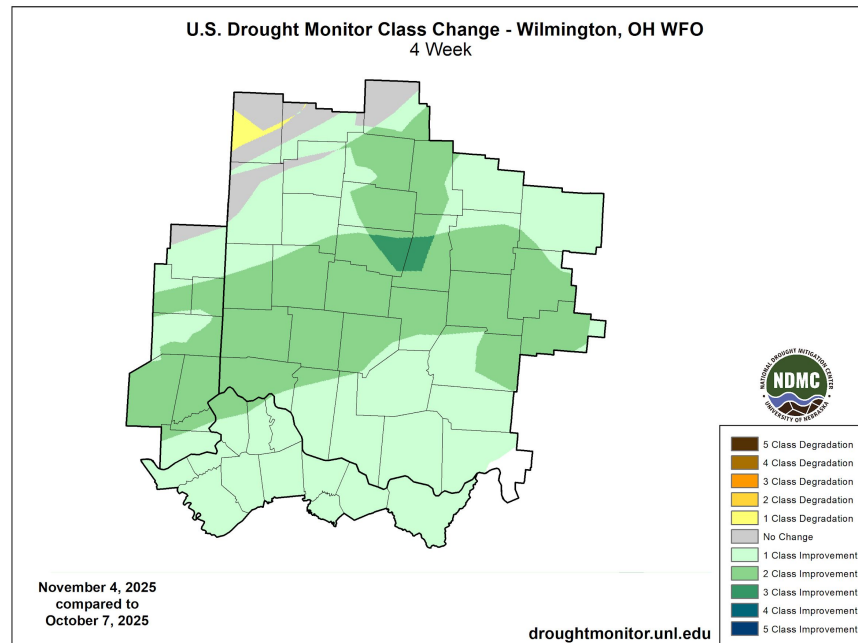
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Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for Ohio River Valley

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
 - **Drought Worsened:** Most of the worsening changes have been in western Ohio.
 - **No Change:** Spotty locations have not changed conditions since early September
 - **Drought Improved:** Wide swaths of the region have received improvement since early October by 1 to 2 drought category levels, with much of the region no longer under any drought category.

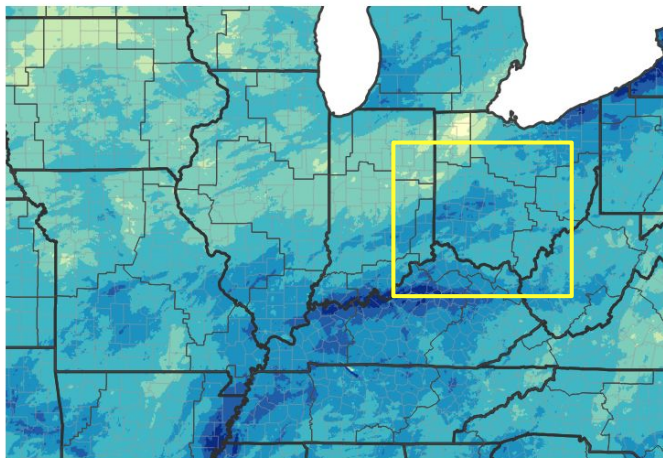




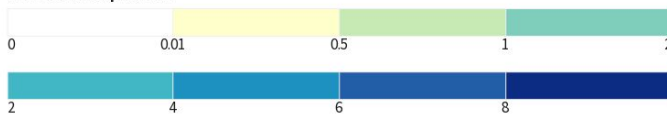
Precipitation Accumulations and Percent of Normal

- While 30 day precipitation has been near to above normal for much of the region, the exception is in the D3 affected areas of the Auglaize/St. Mary's drainage.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

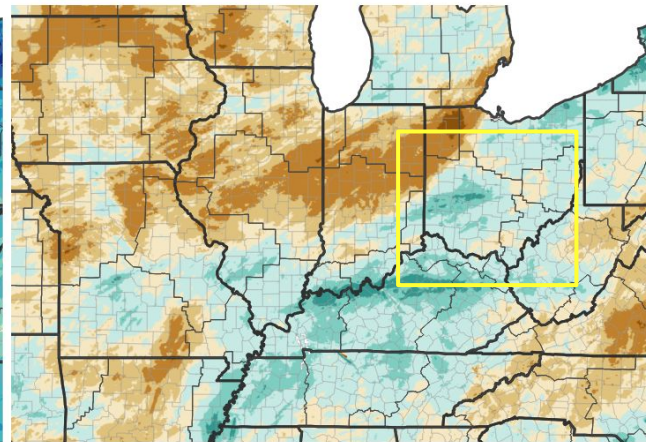


Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System;
image courtesy of Drought.gov

30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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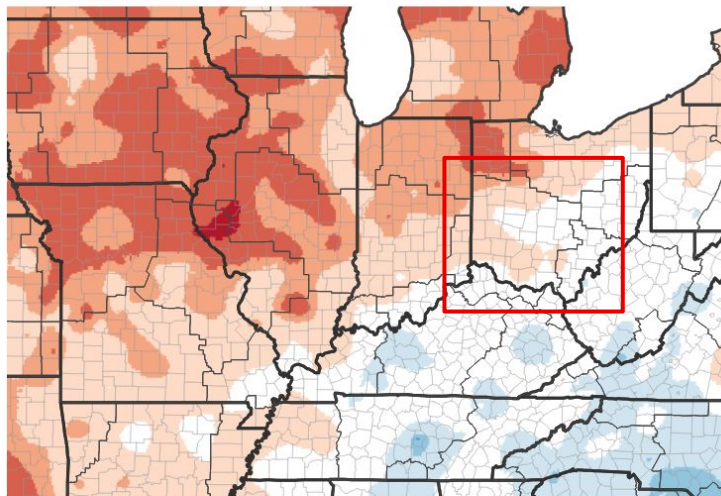




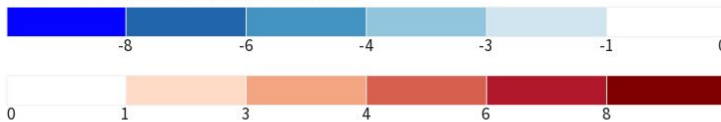
Temperature

- While the 30-day temperature trend has been at least near or slightly above normal for the mid to upper Ohio Valley, the most recent 7-day anomalies highlight the cooler air mass that was in place late October into the beginning of November.

30-Day Temperature Anomaly



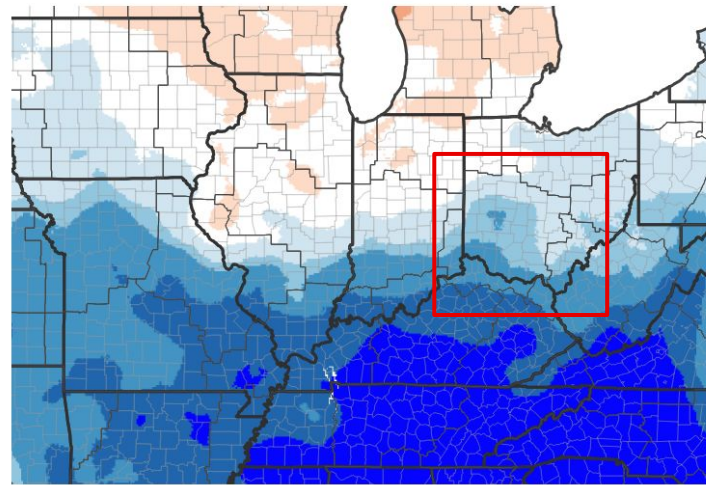
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



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

Data Valid: 11/03/25

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

- Below normal streamflow has been persistent, and in some cases worsening, across the Great Lakes Drainage in the St. Marys and Auglaize basins

Agricultural Impacts

- Drought has affected the soybeans which have dried too much, diminishing yield. Maintenance of agricultural machinery is also crucial during the extreme dryness to avoid a piece of equipment from catching fire. - *OSU Ohio State Ag News*
- With the extreme drought conditions in northwest Ohio, several fields of wheat planted in late September and early October have yet to emerge. - *Ohio Country Journal*
- [Ohio Crop Progress Report](#), [Indiana Brownfield Ag News](#), [Kentucky Crop Weather Report](#)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- None reported





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Below normal streamflow is affecting the Great Lakes drainage basin - St. Marys and Auglaize River basins.

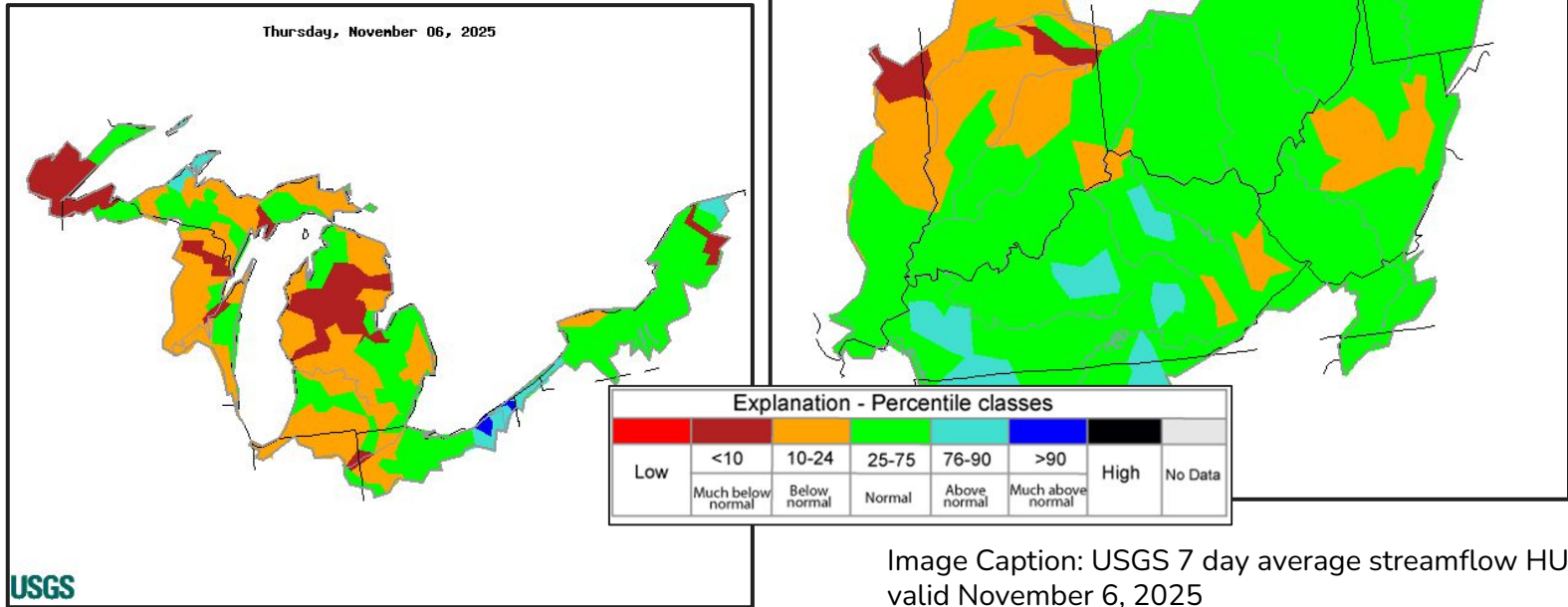


Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map valid November 6, 2025



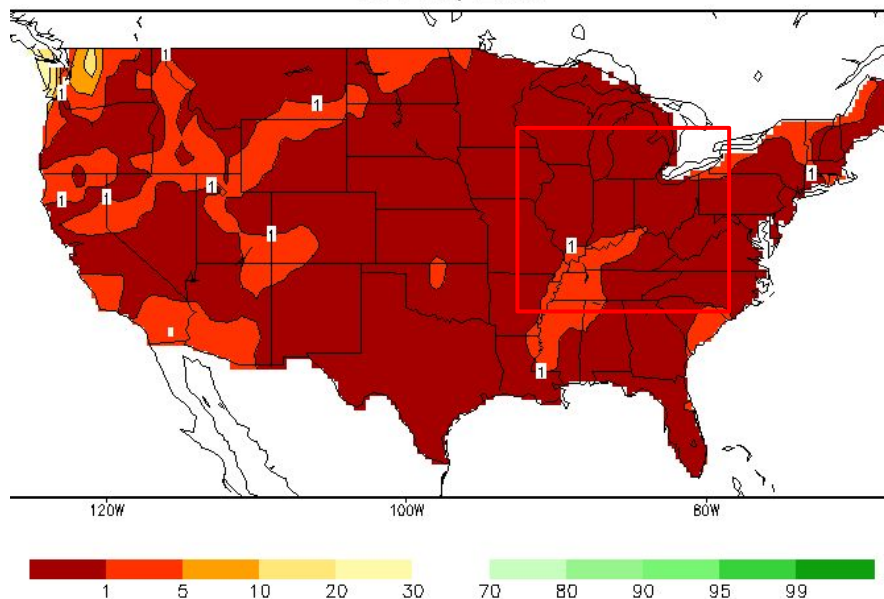


Drought Outlook

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

- The 1-Month drought outlook depicted here was from October 31, 2025. A new outlook will be issued at the end of November.
- At the time of this issuance, precipitation is expected to be near normal for the period of November 7-13.
- The 8-14 day outlook for the period November 14-20 is leaning toward above normal precipitation.

Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile
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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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